

Common Sense Science. By GRANT ALLEN. Boston: D. Lothrop & Co. Toronto: William Briggs. Price \$1.50.

Grant Allen is a Canadian-born scientist, who has won a distinguished reputation for his brilliant mode of popularizing the most recent discoveries and investigations of science. The book is one of fascinating interest. Among the topics treated by his lucid pen are "The Balance of Nature," "Inhabited Worlds," "Instinct and Reasoning," "The Earth's Interior," "Knowledge and Opinion," "Second Nature," "Self-consciousness," "Sleep," etc. The volume is bound in library form, with gilt top.

Entering on Life: a Book for Young Men. By CUNNINGHAM GEIKIE. New York: James Pott & Co. Toronto: William Briggs. Price (in U. S.) \$1.

The accomplished author of "The Life and Words of Christ" groups here a series of wise and weighty counsels to young men, under such titles as youth, character, companions, success, Christianity, helps, reading, etc. No young man can read them without being intellectually and morally benefited. It is not often that religious counsels are conveyed with such charming grace of manner, in a style of such brilliance, and garnered wealth of literary allusion.

Precious Promises; or, Light from Beyond. By same author and publishers. Price 75 cents.

This dainty volume is made up of a series of religious meditations, thirty-one in number, each accompanied by an appropriate poem. They are devout, tender and reverent; ministering to the inner life, exalting above the things seen and temporal the things unseen and eternal. Like all Dr. Geikie's writings, they are marked by rare grace and beauty of style.

The Guiding Hand; or, Some Phases of the Religious Life of the

Day. By the Rev. E. A. STAFFORD, A.B. Toronto: William Briggs.

These sermons attracted much attention during their delivery, and elicited many testimonies as to their helpfulness in the study of the important theme which they discuss. Its reproduction in this permanent form is the more important, as there is a striking dearth of books on the subject. The volume is marked by its author's characteristic independence of thought and originality of expression.

The Bible the Mightiest Factor in Human Progress, with Hints to Evolutionists. By Rev. JAMES GRAHAM. Toronto: Wm. Briggs. Price 10 cents.

This little book is verily *multum in parvo*. Its author condenses into a few vigorous pages the results of much thought and wide reading. With a relentless logic he exposes the inconsistencies of the modern skeptic and defends the grand old Bible as the greatest agent in the development of the higher civilization of the world. A characteristic vein of humour makes the book very attractive reading.

Life in a Look. By MAURICE BALDWIN, Bishop of Huron. Toronto: S. R. Briggs. Price 15 cents.

This is an exceedingly practical treatise, by a thoroughly evangelical writer, on the necessity and nature of the New Birth. Few can read its soul-stirring pages without intense aspirations after a Christian life.

LITERARY NOTE.

The Contemporary Pulpit, by Swan, Sonnenschein, etc. (Toronto: S. R. Briggs; 15 cents monthly), gives in a neat form sermons by the leading living preachers of Great Britain. The quarterly issue of the same gives several sermons by the same author. The last issue is devoted to Canon Farrar, one of whose striking discourses we reproduce elsewhere.