

which they have produced, the moral reforms which they have wrought, the works of charity and philosophy to which they gave birth, are matters not only of recent memory, but of present experience."

Quebec: Its Gates and Environs.

By J. M. LE MOINE, Esq. 8vo. pp. 94. Chronicle Office, Quebec.

In this pamphlet the accomplished historiographer of Quebec has collected a mass of interesting tradition, history, and gossip about the quaint old capital and its surroundings. Its study will add greatly to the pleasure of a visit to the ancient city, where

Memories haunt the pointed gables,
Like the rooks that round them throng.

Good engravings of the old gates, now demolished, and of the new Dufferin improvements, enhance the interest of the pamphlet.

The Cherubim. By the Rev. W. JEFFERS, D.D.; and *The Ordering of Human Life.* By the Rev. W. W. ROSS. pp. 42. Price 15 cents. Wm. Briggs, Toronto.

Dr. Jeffers' lecture before the Theological Union of Victoria College is a judicious discussion, in his own clear and forcible manner, of an obscure but interesting and important phase of Bible symbolism. The first part is a lucid exposition of Biblical aspects of the symbol. The second, a comparative examination of the symbolical animal figures of other ancient religions. The Rev. W. W. Ross's sermon before the Union is marked by the verbal felicity and profoundly religious spirit which characterize all his utterances.

The Christian Rewards; or, the Everlasting Reward for Christian Workers, and the Millennial Reward for Christian Martyrs. By the Rev. J. S. EVANS. 12mo, pp. xx., 119. Toronto: Wm. Briggs.

In this book, two profoundly important subjects are discussed. God reveals Himself as a rewarder of

them that diligently seek Him. Therefore the hero saints of old endured like Moses, as seeing Him who is invisible, having respect to the recompense of the reward. Herein is an exhaustless incentive and inspiration to blessed toil for the Master, till He shall pronounce the "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Of even greater interest is the second part of this book, referring to the millennial reward of the martyrs, founded on the celebrated passage in Rev. xx. 4-6. The whole subject of the millennium is discussed with great acuteness and exegetical skill. We cannot give even an outline of the argument. It needs to be carefully studied by the aid of the author's text. We wish for this book, which is elegantly gotten up, a wide circulation.

The Backwoods of Canada. By CUNNINGHAM GEIKIE, D. D. Third Edition, pp. 405. Strachan & Co.; and Methodist Book-Rooms. Price \$1.

More and more the crowded populations of the old world are turning their eyes toward the limitless lands of our great North-West, as giving the promise of a home and competence which their native land denies. This book gives a vivid picture of immigrant life in Canada, which will be very useful to new-comers, and very interesting to Canadian readers. It describes the voyage to Quebec, the land journey to Toronto, and the bush farm in Western Canada. The novel features of bush life, and odd traits of bush character, the wonderful variety of our fauna and flora, and the inevitable quantum of wolf and bear stories and adventures, and incidents of Indian life. It is a book that Canadian young folk especially will read with both pleasure and profit. It is written in Dr. Geikie's charming style. It is, moreover, a true story written from personal observation and experience, and he vouches that every detail is literally correct.