

"My own son ! ring my bell to-night, and I will talk with you and tell you the rest. I have not lived to grey hairs in a city, and been a minister to city families, and city young men, without learning things about birthrights and their sale and their redemption too—things that cannot be told on the housetop. No minister in Edinburgh knows more or can speak better about these things than I can do. If you have no minister who can and will tell you about Esau, and about himself and about yourself, and about Jesus Christ, ring my bell! It will be late that I do not open the door! I will be busy that we do not have another hour over Esau—you and I." Happy Dr. Whyte to have had the confidences of repentant sinners ! How many of our ministers have been blessed with this reward of the true lover of young souls ? Here is what Dr. Norman Walker takes the author to task for. "Praise the talents, the industry, the achievements of our very best and dearest friend, and it is gall and wormwood to us. But blame him, belittle him, detract from him, pooh-pooh and sneer at him, and we will embrace you, for you have put marrow into our dead bones, you have given wine to him that was of a heavy heart. Praise a neighboring minister's prayer, or his preaching, or his pastoral activity at another minister's table, and you will upset both him and his listening house for days and years to come." This is apropos of Cain. It is pretty rough, as the boys say, but it contains a large element of truth, in spite of Dr. Walker. The worst sin in all the world is envy, for it leads to murder, even to the murder of the Christ. All Dr. Whyte's morals are wholesome, and if one must read sermons, which, as a rule, are very indigestible pabulum, his character ones are worthy of commendation.

How many writing Farrars there are I do not know, but Messrs. Revell's third book is by F. W., the Dean, and is entitled, *The Young Man Master of Himself*. It is an oblong duodecimo of 150 pages, tastefully got up, and may be had for half a dollar. It has four chapters besides the last, which