

by her own. The fascinating story of Herschel and his great life-work, is clearly and succinctly told in this admirable volume.

Messiah's Second Advent. A Study in Eschatology. By CALVIN GOODSPEED, D.D., LL.D., Professor of Systematic Theology and Apologetics in McMaster University, Toronto, Ont. Toronto: William Briggs. Pp. 288. Price, \$1.00.

We had the pleasure of reading this book in manuscript, and are glad that the author has given us such an admirable treatise upon this important subject. There is an active propaganda of pre-millennial views—great conferences, copious literature, and indefatigable agents. It is well, therefore, that the conservative and, we believe, Scriptural views should be clearly, strongly, concisely set forth, that those who hold these Biblical views may be able to give a reason for the faith that is in them. Professor Goodspeed is well equipped for his task. He has made a profound study of the literature on the subject, meets the difficulties of exegesis, and sets forth the argument with a convincing logic. We cordially commend this book to our readers.

The Master-Christian. By MARIE CORELLI. Pp. 634. Price, \$1.25. Toronto: William Briggs.

We have had time to read only part of this large book, but enough to warrant an opinion of its character and scope. It is one of the most tremendous indictments or excoriations of the Church of Rome we have ever seen. The author describes the doctrinal corruption and social demoralization of that Church in very vivid language. This has procured her, we believe, the honour of having her book placed in the Index Expurgatorius, an honour which we presume she highly appreciates. We should not be unjust, however, even to so colossal a system of religious error as the Papacy, and this we think Marie Corelli has been. In the saintly Cardinal Bonpré, however, she has created a pure and noble character, worthy of a place beside Victor Hugo's good bishop in "Les Misérables."

Reasons for Faith in Christianity, with Answers to Hypercriticism. By JOHN McDOWELL LEAVITT, D.D., LL.D. New York: Eaton & Mains, Cincinnati: Jennings & Pyc Toronto: William Briggs. Pp. 240. Price, \$1.25.

Dr. Leavitt's book is directed, not

against true criticism, which, as the word means, is just discrimination and weighing of evidence, but against the hyper-criticism, or destructive fault-finding, which often passes by the name of the Higher Criticism, though by no means entitled to that name. We prefer, however, the positive and constructive side of Dr. Leavitt's argument, in which he deals with the impregnable character of the eternal verities of revealed religion. Thank God, after all abatement for human misconceptions and mistranslations, the eternal verities remain unchanged.

Memories of Dundurn and Burlington Heights. An Address delivered at Hamilton, Ontario, on the Queen's Birthday, 1900, by SIR JOHN G. BOURINOT, K.C.M.G., D.C.L., Lit.D. With historical notes and illustrations. Toronto: The Copp, Clark Company. Pp. 32.

It is a note of the new national life which is throbbing in our veins that local celebrations of historic events are being celebrated throughout the country. One of these was the opening of Dundurn Park, at Hamilton, on Queen's Birthday, 1900. The chief feature on that occasion was an admirable address by Sir John G. Bourinot on "Historic Memories of Dundurn and Burlington Heights." Many of the stirring incidents of the war of 1812 are vividly sketched, and a generous tribute is paid to the character of Sir Allan MacNab, the sturdy patriot who so bravely defended the frontier in the rebellion of 1837, and so long represented the Men of Gore in the Parliament of Canada. A number of valuable historic notes accompany the quarto pamphlet. It is beautifully printed and illustrated.

A Kent Squire. By F. W. HAYNES. Toronto: William Briggs. Price, 75 cents; cloth, \$1.50.

This is a very strongly written historical tale describing the great conflict between Great Britain and France in the days of Queen Anne. A vivid picture is given of the cruel oppressions and callous use of "lettres de cachet," consigning innocent men for long years to the horrors of the Bastille, which were among the chief causes of the French Revolution and the destruction of that monument of tyranny and wrong. Vivid pictures are given of Bolingbroke, Marlborough and other statesmen of Queen Anne's court, and of the political corruption, relieved by many noble private virtues, of the period.