

tion of last year. **A Pilgrimage to Jerusalem** (The Sunday School Times Company, Philadelphia, 437 pages, fifty full page illustrations, maps, etc., \$2.50), is, therefore, a good deal more than what the author modestly describes as "a book of first impressions." The "impressions" are photographic in their clearness. The descriptions are not merely those of a keen-eyed traveller, but of one who knew the Holy Land before he had set foot in it, and of one, above all, who writes of what he had come to love through long study and contemplation of it, and loves the more for having seen. Mr. Trumbull was in thorough sympathy with his fellow-voyagers and their errand, a leader indeed; and one gets the personal touch, at every step, of this remarkable pilgrimage. The full-page illustrations, from the author's own camera, are of very exceptional value; just how the modern traveller sees these ancient lands is clearly depicted; and this fresh impression of noteworthy things, not only in Palestine and Syria, but in the whole circuit of the Mediterranean touched in the cruise, is a valuable contribution to the literature of Eastern travel and Bible lands. The book will, of course, be indispensable to every one of the "pilgrims," but will find also a wide circle of readers amongst those who are interested in Bible study and Sunday School work.

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