

four years our students and their friends have subscribed for 3000 sets of pamphlets; and the scheme is now being followed by 50 out of 60 of our Scripture classes, as well as by nearly 1700 individual Bible readers. To many Holy Writ has thus become not only interesting but fascinating; and the promised half-hour has grown into an hour at the expense of less absorbing secular studies.

This volume forms the third edition or fourth thousand of the C.S.C. Papers. In revising them I have been much indebted to my colleagues in the COLLEGE BY POST for hints and criticisms founded upon experience of the practical work of our C.S.C. classes. Of other friends whose larger knowledge has in various ways aided my responsible task, special mention must be made of the Principal of St. John's Hall, Highbury. Throughout I write for the plain reader who knows no language but English. Should more erudite persons use "Clews to Holy Writ," I trust they will forgive explanations of far from recondite things, recommendations of popular and inexpensive books, and studious avoidance of learned allusions and deep and difficult questions.

And now, as with sails trimmed anew my humble craft speeds out to sea from its inland lake, I pray God that this effort to help my fellow-students, not discoursing from a pulpit, but meeting them on common ground, may be used to stir many others up to fresh study of His inexhaustible and everlasting Word.

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