

deepened appreciation of the Bible, has at the same time rendered it more difficult to teach the young minds.

More and more the value of the Old Testament as a child's book is being discovered. It reveals the religion of a nation in the stage of childhood. Its scenes are vital and its language concrete; its great characters are human types. And the focus of interdenominational controversy has always been in the New, not in the Old Testament. Critical controversy, which is not denominational, is a passing feature of the age. For educated men its chief points are already settled; but it remains to interpret to the young the results of consecrated study. It is strange that the best and chief text book of morals, the book upon whose principles is founded the strength of Anglo-Saxon civilization, should be barred from our schools because bygone controversies have left the Christian church in jealous sections.

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READERS WILL NOTE several changes in the personnel of our editorial and business staff. With this issue the present Editor-in-Chief retires from the staff, to be succeeded by Mr. J. M. Wyatt, M.A., who will be in charge of the December issue.

With devotion's visage
And pious action we do sugar o'er
The devil himself.

—*Shakespeare.*

Myself when young did eagerly frequent
Doctor and saint, and heard great argument
About it and about; but evermore
Came out by the same door where in I went.

Omar Khayyam, tr. Fitzgerald.