

heartsome. Amongst such books a high place belongs to **Gloria in the Grey**: Forty-two Talks on Everyday Life and Religion, by the Rev. Archibald Alexander, M.A., B.D. (H. R. Allenson, London, U. C. Tract Society, Toronto, 245 pages, \$1.00 net). There are cheerful and comfortable words on every one of Mr. Alexander's pages. And, besides, they are rarely suggestive of new aspects of truth and present fresh views of life and its problems. Many a downcast heart will be uplifted by these "talks," and they will furnish many a welcome stimulus to thought and action.

Pep, is the quaint title of a new book by Col. W. C. Hunter (The Copp, Clark Company, Toronto, 222 pages, \$1.00). The three letters in "Pep" stand respectively for Poise, Efficiency and Peace. Poise,—the perfect mastery of all one's physical and mental powers; Efficiency,—the direction of one's energies so as to secure the maximum result from the minimum effort; Peace,—freedom from the worry and anxiety, which are responsible for a large share of the wretchedness in the world: the possessor of this trinity of qualities has the world at his feet. And the author of this little book, in chapters crammed with common-sense counsel written in a crisp, entertaining style tells how these coveted qualities may be won. Read Pep and become a stronger, happier, more effective man or woman.

Readers of Eleanor H. Porter's *Pollyanna*: The Glad Book, will eagerly welcome its sequel, **Pollyanna Grows Up** (The Page Company, Boston, 308 pages, \$1.25 net). In this "Second Glad Book," Pollyanna continues her game of being glad and getting other

people to be glad. Mrs. Carew, a rich young widow, who, after the mysterious loss of the idolized Jamie, the little son of her dead sister, thinks that there is nothing in the world for her to be glad about, is induced to ask Pollyanna to visit her in her beautiful Boston home. During this visit the discontented rich woman is led to enter into the glad game and to spend some of her time and money in making other people glad, notably a cripple from the slums bearing the name of her lost nephew, and Sadie Dean, a salesgirl in a big store. Another episode is Pollyanna's six years' travel and study in Europe with her uncle and aunt, from which she returns, a grown up young lady to find her childhood's companion, Jimmy Bean, the adopted son of John Pendleton, her mother's faithful lover, a strapping young man of six feet. How Jimmy at last turns out to be the long lost Jamie and how the glad game works out for each of this little group is a very pretty story, in which everything centres about Pollyanna who makes herself and all about her happy just by her persistence in playing her game.

A Handbook for Workers (United Brethren Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio, 157 pages, 25c.) is a handy, well-bound, vest-pocket Manual of Bible Texts and Readings for use in Christian work, arranged by Mr. R. Drury, D.D., with Hints to Soul Winners, by Rev. Dr. George F. Pentecost. Its very chapter headings indicate scope and value—God, Man, Christ, Salvation, The Christian Life, Christian Work, The Holy Spirit, The Word of God, Counsels to Enquirers. A well-trodden way; but is there any better, or any other?



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