

ber of the Royal Humane Society, with the following noble sentiment from her hand, "No civilization is complete that does not include the dumb and defenceless of God's creation within the spirit of Christianity."

The Life of Dr. McFerrin. By the REV. DR. FITZGERALD. Nashville, Tenn.: Southern Methodist Publishing House. Toronto: Wm. Briggs. Price \$1.00.

This is one of the cheapest books that has been issued in modern times. It is 12mo., respectably got up, and consists of 448 pages. Many books of the same kind have been sold at two dollars; it ought to sell by thousands. We are not surprised that the first edition was sold in a few weeks. Dr. McFerrin was a Methodist minister more than sixty years, and attended every General Conference in the Southern Church, and was a member of the memorable General Conference of 1844. He also was a member of the Ecumenical and the Centennial Conferences. His life was an eventful one, and he filled every position in the Church except Bishop. He was a Methodist of the Methodists. His life was so crowded with thrilling scenes that it would have been a great loss had no biography been published. Such books are the best educators of the rising generation of Methodists.

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plain. We admire this feature of the author, and recommend all our readers to buy the book.—E. B.

Forty Witnesses, Covering the Whole Range of Christian Experience. By the REV. S. OLIN GARRISON, M.A., Editor. Pp. 309. New York: Phillips & Hunt. Toronto: Wm. Briggs. Price \$1.

Out of the mouth of two or three witnesses, we are told, shall every word be established. But not two or three, but a mighty cloud of witnesses attest the eternal verities of the Christian life and Divine bestowments. In this volume is summoned testimony from almost every branch of the Christian Church—Methodist, Episcopalian, Friend, Congregationalist—to a personal experience of the deep things of God. One thing is apparent, that the higher Christian life is not the privilege of any Church, but in all the Churches God has multiplied witnesses of the sanctifying power of that grace that saves unto the uttermost. Bishop Foss contributes a beautiful and appropriate introduction to this religious symposium.

Temple Themes and Sacred Songs. By CHARLES H. YATMAN. Pp. 96-162. Philadelphia: John J. Hood. Price 50 cents.

In the first part of this book is given a series of seventy-five prayer-meeting themes, with suggestive seed thoughts, quotations, Scripture readings, and appropriate hymns. The second part contains a choice anthology of hymns with music. The book is likely to be very useful in imparting a new life and interest to the prayer services of the Church.

LITERARY NOTES.

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