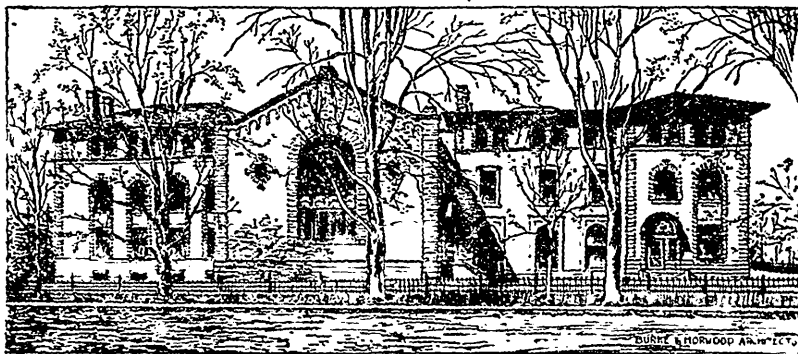


areth, or a mere storehouse of pronouncements by that same great Teacher on moral questions. The writers go deeper. Perhaps the two words, analytic and doctrinal, added to the word pedagogic, will best describe the method and contents. Especially are the great doctrines of the atonement by the regeneration of the Holy Spirit, and sanctification to complete holiness and service by the power of the same Spirit, emphasized. Possibly there is too great a tendency to read the teaching of the Epistles into the Gospels, with a certain resulting loss of perspective, as when Dr. Weston says: "The great necessities or man's Spiritual nature are righteousness, sanctification, redemption, life. This is the order of the Gospels. Matthew is the Gospel of righteousness, the supreme attribute in the nature of God . . . In Mark Christ is made unto us sanctification. The Gospel is occupied exclusively with service . . . Luke is clearly the Gospel of redemption . . . Redemption by grace and faith is the keynote of this Gospel . . . There is no need of words to show that John is the Gospel of life." The evangelists are made expounders of systematic theology. But the error, if any, is on the right side, for are not the Epistles but the development, under inspiration of the Holy Ghost, of the great truths which Jesus spake and enacted? Dr. Weston's "Matthew" may be more confidently recommended to the general reader. Dr. Moorhead's "Studies"—which cover a wider field—are more fitted for the desk and class than the fireside.

"Comrades," and other Straight Talks with Boys. By E. C. Dawson, M. A. (Oxon.), author of "The Life and Work of Bishop Hannington." Andrew Melrose, London, England. 224 pages; price 90c.

The Children's Pace, and Other Addresses to Children. By Rev. J. S. Maver, M. A., Aberdeen. James Clarke & Co., London, England. 174 pages; price 90c.

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