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FOR KING AND COUNTRY ; FIGHT FOR THE RIGHT ; PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS FOR THE TRENCHES. London: *Simpkin, Marshall and Co.* Price 6d. each net.

These delightful "Trench Booklets," as they are called, are attractively got up in a khaki wrapper with a gummed flap ready for posting, and without a letter they may be sent for a halfpenny. Containing uplifting messages they will be useful for sending to the Front, where they are sure to be welcome and helpful.

THE GLORY OF THE LIFE LAID DOWN. By the Rev. J. K. Swinburne, M.A., Vicar of Shifnal. London: *Elliot Stock.* Price 2s. 6d. net.

This little volume is addressed "to those in sorrow," and consists of sermons preached in Shifnal Church. Very suggestive and striking is one entitled "The White Hairs of God," based, of course, on Rev. i. 14: "His head and His hairs were white like wool, as white as snow"; but every page is helpful. Mr. Swinburne is a poet of no mean order, and eight of his poems appear in this book, reprinted from *The Sunday Companion*, and add greatly to the charm of the prose.



## Publications of the Month.

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### BIBLICAL AND THEOLOGICAL.

RECONCILIATION BETWEEN GOD AND MAN. By W. J. Sparrow-Simpson, D.D. (S.P.C.K. 3s. net.) A careful, thoughtful and reverent examination of a great theme, along very distinctly sacramental lines. From the final chapter on "The Perpetual Offering of Christ" we take the following passage:—"The reason why people do not believe in the eucharistic offering is because they have no belief in the heavenly offering of Christ. And they have no belief in the heavenly offering of Christ because they think of redemption rather as an act than as a spirit, a solitary deed rather than a moral attitude. Could we but look beyond the outward expression to the inward state, we should surely acknowledge that Christ's offering is the offering of His inmost Self, and therefore must be an offering in perpetuity."

STUDIES IN THE TEMPTATION OF THE SON OF GOD. By J. O. F. Murray, D.D. (*Longmans, Green and Co.* 2s. net.) A wonderfully uplifting book. Reprinted from the *Lay Reader Magazine*, these "Studies" will be welcomed in their permanent form.

SELF-TRAINING IN PRAYER. By A. H. McNeile, D.D. (*W. Heffer and Sons, Ltd.* 1s. 3d. net.) A devotional handbook of rich beauty directed to help those who find prayer a religious duty rather than a religious experience.

FOR SOUL AND BODY. By Harriette S. Bainbridge. (*W. Heffer and Sons, Ltd.* 9d. net.) A series of talks on spiritual healing, interesting but hardly conclusive.

### WAR PUBLICATIONS.

IN THE HANDS OF THE HUNS. (*Simpkin, Marshall and Co.* 1s.) A volume which gives an account of fifteen months' imprisonment at Ruhleben by a British Civil Prisoner of War. With a restraining hand the Author briefly outlines the daily life and treatment in the Camp. There is evidence of the quiet British dignity under trying conditions. Several interesting extracts with illustrations are given from the *Camp Magazine* "In Ruhleben Camp." A book of absorbing interest.

- THE CHURCH AND THE CLERGY AT THIS TIME OF WAR. By the Archbishop of York. (S.P.C.K. 1s. net.) The full text delivered to the clergy of the Diocese at the Great Convention in the Minster, February 14 and 15. For its clear presentation of spiritual truth and the urgency of the spiritual call, this little volume is most stimulating and uplifting.
- WAR PRAYERS OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO. (S.P.C.K. 3d. net.) A very timely reissue. In the crises of 1796, 1804 and 1811 it seemed the nation had a deeper grasp of the spiritual meaning of the wars, and the prayers of those days were stronger and more virile in their expression than those we are accustomed to to-day. The Bishop of London commends them to the attention of the Church at large, but he does not say specifically that he authorizes the use of any.
- WAR-TIME TRACTS FOR THE WORKERS. (S.P.C.K.) A capital series dealing pointedly and effectively with some of the more urgent spiritual questions raised by the war.
- A LETTER TO SICK AND WOUNDED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS. By Lieut.-Col. Seton Churchill. (*Morgan and Scott, Ltd.* 1d.) An excellent booklet. Its production has been planned so that it will be readily accepted by those for whom it is intended. The type is large and readable, and it clearly presents the great facts of the Faith.

### GENERAL.

- OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FOR 1916. Edited by the Rev. F. H. Burnside. (S.P.C.K. 2s. paper boards; 2s. 6d. net. See Note on p. 294.)
- JU-JITSU. By W. Bruce Sutherland. (*T. Nelson and Sons, Ltd.* 1s. net.) A treatise on self-defence; most useful for special constables—and others. The text is illustrated and explained by many diagrams.
- ADVENTURES ON THE ROOF OF THE WORLD. By Mrs. Aubrey A. Blond. (*T. Nelson and Sons, Ltd.*) A volume in the popular "Shilling Library" series which will appeal to all mountain-climbers.
- THE CAR OF DESTINY. By C. N. and A. M. Williamson. DONALD ROSS OF HEMIRA. By William Black—(*T. Nelson and Sons, Ltd.*)—two volumes of the excellent "Sevenpenny Series."

### PAMPHLETS.

- SPIRITUALISM: A HISTORICAL AND CRITICAL SKETCH. By Canon Edmund McClure. (S.P.C.K. 6d. net.) A most valuable treatise, written with great ability and in a calm and reasonable tone. Yet it is absolutely decisive against the cult. We know of no work which gives the history of necromancy with such clearness and fulness.
- ST. LUKE AND A MODERN WRITER: A STUDY IN CRITICISM. A praelection delivered before the Council of the Senate of the University of Cambridge. By F. J. Foakes-Jackson, D.D. (*W. Heffer and Sons, Ltd.* 6d. net.) Dr. Foakes-Jackson having made a literary investigation into the story of one Elizabeth Kellest and found that the author had tampered with original letters so as the more vividly to convey the facts, says:—"Does not this comparison suggest a possible solution of some New Testament difficulties? It is almost impossible to believe, for example, that the speeches and epistles of St. Peter really represent the language of the Apostle; much less the Epistle of James, with its evident knowledge of the Greek wisdom literature of Judaism. And when one reads some of the correspondence of the Roman confessors in the collection of Cyprian's letters one sees how illiterate many Christians, even in prominent positions, were in the third century; and may we not suppose the possibility of genuine letters of apostles having been in existence which have come down to us in literary forms, in which some of the spirit, if little of the form, has survived?"
- CONFIRMATION CARD. (S.P.C.K.) Printed in red and black with spaces for name of parish, date and place of birth and baptism, names of Godparents, date and place of Confirmation and First Communion.