Editorial.

MR. H. ERNEST WOOD, J.P., C.C.

Mr. Wood, who was one of the foundation members of the Baptist Historical Society, has completed a year of distinguished service as President of the Baptist Union. He gave himself whole-heartedly to the duties of the office, responding with alacrity to calls from North, South, East and West. Village churches which had only beheld Presidents from afar have now seen one face to face. In the mileage travelled, and the number and variety of the meetings addressed, he has established a record that will remain until the President is an air enthusiast.

Mr. Wood would be the first to acknowledge his indebtedness to his talented younger daughter, who has been his secretary, chauffeur and "official deflator." We are grateful to her for a particularly entertaining and unconventional account of "The Presidential Year from the Driving Wheel."

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EPISCOPAL ORDINATION.

It is well known that the Lambeth conversationalists have encountered two or three particularly difficult rocks. One is concerned with episcopal ordination. Free Church ministries, "manifestly blessed and owned by the Holy Spirit as effective means of grace," are alleged to be invalid. Another standpoint is presented by a resolution before the General Assembly of the American Presbyterian Church, which proposes recognition of the ordination of ministers by Churches holding the episcopal system of church government as equally Apostolic, Catholic and Historic with those that hold the Presbyterian system.

Whatever may be the reactions of American episcopalians, this resolution, with its healthy reality, might well be transhipped across the Atlantic.

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AN INNER MISSION.

At their recent Assembly, Congregationalists resolved on an "Inner Mission" to their churches. Some years ago Baptists, particularly in the North, held "Internal Missions." About the same time Dr. Clifford sounded his call to "Personal Evangelism," and more recently the Baptist Union Council called the churches...
to a Discipleship Campaign. All the terms point to the feeling
that the first need is a revival of the spiritual life of the Church
itself. That will not come until the Church is first with members,
deacons and ministers; first because they love it and work for it
with the devotion of their fathers; first because they believe it
greater than any social institution or political club; first because
they know its message and believe, without the shadow of a
doubt, that the power of Christ is the cure for the world's ills.
The Congregationalists have issued two small books for the
guidance of their churches. The first, Disciple's Way, by B. C.
Plowright, B.A., B.D. (1/- net.) consists of six Inner Mission
addresses, in which he faces frankly some of the problems of
Christian living under modern industrial and business conditions.
The other, Our Congregational Churches (3d. net.), is a
"summons" to renewal, and outlines and amplifies an Inner
Mission programme for the winter months, commencing in
October with "The Church and its Faith," and finishing in
March with "Ourselves and our neighbouring Fellowships."
We heartily commend both. (Independent Press)

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OUR SOCIETY'S PUBLICATIONS.

Several members took advantage of the recent offer of our
existing publications at special prices, with the result that more
numbers of the Transactions are out of print, and stocks of
others are low. Any member who wishes to complete his sets
of the Transactions or the Quarterly should communicate with
the Secretary without delay.

Attention is drawn to the offer on page 3 of the cover of
this number. The Works of John Smyth were issued in two
volumes in 1915 through the Cambridge University Press, and
Dr. Wheeler Robinson then described their publication as the
most important literary event in the record of the Society. This
literary memorial, "of a spirit finely touched to fine issues,
whose living monument is constituted by the Baptist Churches
of to-day," should be in the possession of all our members.

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THE STORY OF THE HUGUENOTS.

We are glad to see that Mr. Henry J. Cowell's valuable
brochure, The Edict of Nantes and Afterwards (Lutterworth
Press, 3d.), is in its third edition. A list of English authorities
on the Huguenots has been added. The generosity of a Fellow
of the Huguenot Society of London enables our members to
secure a free autographed copy on written application to