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of a superstition which, in every country where it has ruled, has shown itself to be effete, and to establish amongst ourselves more fully and powerfully than ever the benign and enlightening influence of the true Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

WILLIAM SINCLAIR.

Short Aotices.

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Lancelot Andrewes and his Private Devotions. By ALEXANDER WHYTE. Pp. 232. Price 3s. 6d. Oliphant, Anderson, and Ferrier.

D.R. WHYTE, of St. George's Free Church, Edinburgh, offers a new edition of this classical work of devotion. He has compared the Greek and Latin texts with the translations of Drake, Stanhope, Hall, Newman, Neale, and Venables. The edition is in English, and, wherever possible, he has used the words of the Authorized Version. He has also had before him the Laudian Latin Text published by the S.P.C.K. A valuable Biography and Interpretation occupy 59 pages of the book. The arrangement is, as usual, in long and short lines. It is the work of a scholar, a devout Christian, and a sympathetic admirer of the great English bishop.

The Devotions of Bishop Andrewes in Greek and Latin. By the Rev. HENRY VEALE. Pp. 432. Elliot Stock.

Mr. Veale took the edition 1828 as his basis, and collated all subsequent editions. He has divided the main divisions of subjects into 150 sections. He has added complete indexes to all the chief topics and paragraphs. Other indices follow. All the references to Holy Scripture have been verified and a large number added to the existing references. The whole introduction is full of interest, and indicates close and discriminating attention on the part of an accurate and sympathetic scholar.

The Constitutional History and Constitution of the Church of England. From the German of FELIX MAKOWER. Pp. 545. Swan Sonnenschein and Co.

This marvellous book, the work of a German, understood to be his thesis for a Doctorship in Law, is a standing reproach to English ecclesiastical scholarship and research. The divisions are : History of the Constitutions of the Church; Sources of Ecclesiastical Law; Relation of the Church of England to other Christian Churches; The Clergy and their Orders; The several Authorities in the Church, with an extremely valuable Appendix in fifteen sections and an Index. Almost every page has invaluable notes occupying half its space. It would be difficult to detect a mistake or misapprehension in the whole volume, and the thorough knowledge of English Church history and practical details of cotemporary ecclesiastical life is simply amazing. The book should be on every bishop's list of works of reference for candidates for orders; and, indeed, a paper on it in examination for orders would be highly expedient. It is a monument of patient and fruitful research.

Short Biographies for the People. By various writers. Pp. 192. R.T.S. The present volume contains George Herbert, Granville Sharp, Rob Roy Macgregor, Savonarola, Pascal, Sir Matthew Hale, Norman Macleod, Gustavus Adolphus, Bishop Crowther, Horatius Bonar, Zachary Macaulay, John Berridge. The last makes the 120th of the series. Each sketch consists of fourteen or fifteen pages ably compiled from original sources. They are each an incitement to read more about these good men. The book is eminently suitable for village libraries, rewards, and presents, and must have a wholesome influence.

Ecce Homo, Ecce Rex. By Mrs. RUNDELL CHARLES. Pp. 306. Price 3s. 6d. S.P.C.K.

The late authoress of "The Chronicles of the Schönberg Cotta Family" has written a useful work illustrating the power and effect of the teaching of Christ in reference to different aspects of nobility of character and to different classes of suffering humanity. She has chapters on the Hermits, Martyrs, Great Bishops, Monks, and Friars; and in the second part she discusses the results of Christianity on the multitudes, the children, animals, womanhood, outcasts and criminals, captives, the poor, and the sick. The work is a thoughtful and well-considered guide to further historical and economical research.

Vikings of To-Day. By WILFRED T. GRENFELL. Pp. 242. Marshall Bros.

This is an interesting record of life and medical work amongst the fishermen of Labrador in connection with the Mission to Deep-sea Fishermen. It is a striking account of the country of Labrador, life as it is there, and the success of simple, plain, Gospel work. It should be remembered that the word "viking" has nothing whatever to do with the word "king"; it merely means the people who lived in a harbour, or vik. Much misapprehension would be saved if it were always spelt "Vik-ing."

A History of the Councils of the Church. Vol. v. By BISHOP HEFELE. Pp. 472. Price 12s. T. and T. Clark, Edinburgh.

Scholars will welcome a new instalment of this important work, which carries the student from 626 A.D. to 727. It embraces the disputes on the Monothelite heresy, the controversy about images, and the Second Council of Nicea, the seventh so-called Œcumenical. It throws great light upon the gradual overlaying of the true principles and doctrines of Christianity with mechanical regulations and ideas.

The Report of the Norwich Church Congress. Pp. 672. Price 7s. 6d. Bemrose and Co.

The Norwich Church Congress was a great success. If not so well attended as some, the different sides of the Church of England were more fairly represented than usual, and the list of subjects was practical, useful, and exhaustive. The criticism passed upon it at the time, that it was weakened by having three centres of discussion, does not apply to the volume, which is replete with interest and instruction, and will suggest topics and information for many a lecture and sermon in remote country parishes. It is admirably printed and arranged.

From Darkness to Light in Polynesia. By the Rev. W. W. GILL. Pp. 383. R.T.S.

Dr. Gill has collected the traditions and history as far as possible of the principal groups of islands in Polynesia. He has also transcribed native songs, and gives an account of native customs. The result is one of the most interesting of missionary volumes.

Beneath the Banner. By F. J. CROSS. Pp. 243. Price 1s. Cassell and Co.

A series of narratives of noble lives and brave deeds, including Sir Samuel Baker, Sir Colin Campbell, Father Damien, Lord Cochrane, Sir John Franklin, General Gordon, Bishop Hannington, Sir Henry Havelock, John Howard, Livingstone, Moffatt, Florence Nightingale, Agnes Weston, Bishop Pattison, Lord Shaftesbury, the Duke of Wellington, Wesley, and others. An excellent book for stirring biographical interest in young people.

Good Morning and Good Night. By F. J. CROSS. Pp. 217. Price 1s. Cassell and Co.

A series of religious readings for a month, of a simple character suited to young children, with illustrations and anecdotes. No one could find this book dull. It is admirably suited to its purpose.

Light from Plant Life. By H. GIRLING. Pp. 178. London: T. Fisher Unwin.

This is an endeavour to draw analogies between plant life and the religious life of man. The last few years have familiarized us with books of this nature. Some of them are pious and reverent; others the reverse. Fortunately, the book before us is of the former description. While it cannot be described as original or brilliant, it is at least Christian, and evidently the fruit of much care and devotion.

Forty Days. By Rev. W. G. MOSSE, M.A. Pp. 110. S.P.C.K.

A charming little book, which illustrates the teachings of the Lenten season by expositions of the "forty days" of Scripture, *e.g.*, the flood, Jonah and Nineveh, the twelve spies. The idea is good, and carefully worked out.

For their Sakes. By Rev. H. B. MACARTNEY, M.A. Pp. 195. London: John F. Shaw and Co.

Ten able and deeply scriptural sermons. They belong, as some of our readers will recollect, to the "Keswick" school of thought. By all who gather there, whether in the body or in the spirit, they will be welcomed as clear and convincing expositions of the fundamental doctrines of Evangelical Christianity.

Breakers Ahead ! By Rev. A. LEWIS, M.A. Pp. 115. London : Elliot Stock.

Nothing but good can result from placing this little volume in the hands of the recently confirmed, for whom it is primarily designed. It can be unreservedly commended.

Urania, Night, and other Poems. By S. JEFFERSON. Pp. 96. London: Elliot Stock.

An attempt to teach astronomy in verse.

Manitoulin. By H. N. B. Pp. 164. London : Simpkin and Marshall.

The author, a Canadian clergyman, has given us a very readable account of five years' work among Ojibway Indians and lumbermen. Manitoulin is an island in the diocese of Algoma, on Lake Huron. The work there presents special difficulties, and it is a pleasure to read how the Church of Canada grapples with them.

Thoughts of Peace, and not of Evil. By M. S. CLARK. Pp. 219. London : Hodder and Stoughton.

An inquiry into the intentions of the Almighty towards Israel.

Three Reply Lectures. By Rev. C. H. H. WRIGHT, D.D. Published by the Protestant Reformation Society.

These very valuable and convincing addresses were delivered in Kensington Town Hall last year, under the presidency of Archdeacon Sinclair, in reply to lectures previously given by Roman Catholic priests. The Society has done well to print them.

MAGAZINES.

We have received the following (July) magazines :

The Religious Review of Reviews, The Anglican Church Magazine, The Church Missionary Intelligencer, The Evangelical Churchman, The Church Sunday-School Magazine, Blackwood, The Cornhill, Sunday Magazine, The Fireside, The Quiver, Cassell's Family Magazine, Good Words, The Leisure Hour, Sunday at Home, The Girl's Own Paper, The Boy's Own Paper, Light and Truth, The Church Worker, The Church Monthly, The Church Missionary Gleaner, South American Missionary Magazine, Light in the Home, Angle India's Womm Parish Magazine Magazine, Light in the Home, Awake, India's Women, Parish Magazine, The Bible Society's Gleanings for the Young, The Bible Society's Monthly Reporter, The Cottager and Artisan, Friendly Greetings, Little Folks, The Child's Pictorial, Our Little Dots, The Child's Companion, Boy's and Girl's Companion, The Children's World, On Service, Church and People, Dawn of Day, Day of Days, Home Words, and Hand and Heart, the last three being midsummer volumes.

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GIFTS AND BEQUESTS.

THE Church Missionary Society has received an anonymous bene-faction of 42000. The accietted in anonymous benefaction of $\pounds_{2,000}$. The society has decided to send out another party of missionaries to Uganda at the end of August. Amongst those going out, in addition to the Rev. G. K. Baskerville and Mr. G. L. Pilkington, who are returning after a visit to England, are the Rev. Beresford E. Wigram, curate of Tonbridge; the Rev. H. Clayton, assistant - missioner of the Pembroke College, Cambridge, Mission in Walworth; the Rev. H. W. Weatherhead, curate of St. George's, Tufnell Park; the Rev. H. W. Tegart and Mr. A. Whitehouse, of the Church Missionary College, Islington; and Dr. A. R. Cook, a nephew of the Bishop of Exeter.

The late Mr. John Hughes, of Liverpool, an esteemed Welshman, has bequeathed a sum of £5,000 in augmentation of the incomes of poor clergy in North Wales.

The committee of the Additional Curates Society have received anonymously a donation of $f_{25,000}$. This sum is sent as a contribution to the new quinquennial fund, which has recently been opened by the committee for the purpose of enabling help to be given to a number of needy parishes at present unaided, without involving any risk to the stability of the society's existing operations. The recent anonymous gift will make it possible for new grants to be given to the extent of $\pounds_{1,000}$ a year for the next five years.

Mr. G. A. Spottiswoode has promised a donation of £250, and Mr. F. A. White a donation of £200, towards the building-fund of the Church House.

A member of the House of Laymen of the Province of Canterbury has promised a donation of £500 to the Church House. This is in response to the offer made by a member of the York House of Laymen to give the sum of \pounds 500, provided that \pounds 4,500 is raised within a year.

The Bishop of Liverpool's Sustentation Fund, which was established