Christianity and Immortality. By Vernon F. Storr, M.A., Hon. Canon of Winchester Cathedral, Examining Chaplain to the Archbishop of Canterbury, etc.; Author of "The Development of English Theology in the Nineteenth Century, 1800-1860". Longmans, Green & Company, London and New York, 1918. x+--195 pp. \$2.50 net.

Our readers may have noticed how often we have occasion to note the appearance of works on Immortality. Two valuable works were reviewed in the April issue. Three others are noted in this issue. Mr. Storr prepared his without knowing of that edited by Streeter. It is from a different angle but with much the same outcome. Mr. Storr is thoroughly orthodox in belief so far as the factors of the historical doctrine go, save that he cannot at all accept the idea of the final loss of "the spiritually immature" who have never really faced the question of Christ in a way to involve decisive rejection or acceptance. These will have another opportunity. He takes the words of Jesus: "In my Father's house are many mansions" to mean many stages of existence (sic!) involving repeated opportunities for salvation. Furthermore, he cannot think but that in some future stage God will graciously terminate the existence of the finally impenitent and so end their punishment. All this is in accord with what one understands to be the usual view of the Episcopal theologians and preachers; not involving, of course, that they would generally accept the bizarre interpretation of the "many mansions". Even this, however, is not a novel interpretation.

Mr. Storr uses the ordinary arguments for personal immortality but so far modernizes their form as to free them from conventionality and commonplace. His dealing with Spiritualism is correct but timid. He sees its dangers and its follies but fears to reject it outright.

On the whole we find here a good modern outline of the traditional attitude toward, and arguments, for personal, corporeal immortality.

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Can We Believe in Immortality? By James H. Snowden, D.D., LL.D.; Author of "The World a Spiritual System", "Basal Beliefs of Christianity", "The Psychology of Religion", etc. New York, 1918. The Macmillan Company. 227 pp. \$1.25.

Dr. Snowden's way of discussing a subject is well known and is well adapted to popular appreciation. It is a combination of the scrap-book method with the metaphysical. Here, for example, are thirty-five chapters discussing the great, vital subject of personal immortality, as the advertisement truthfully says, "from every point of view; scientific, psychological, historical, ethical, religious, and experimental". There is no effort even so to group the chapters as to present in suc-