

of Being and the ways of the creative process. He is a good witness and a better voice for a strong "faith that will not shrink upon the brink of any earthly woe" nor shun the questions of deepest difficulty. That is why some of us love him most of all.

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III. PRACTICAL THEOLOGY.

The Church and the Man. By Donald Hankey, Author of "A Student in Arms", etc., with a Foreword by C. H. S. Mathews. New York, 1917, The Macmillan Company. xx-|-89 pp. 60 cts.

Donald Hankey is one of the British war heroes—and a martyr—who have glorified the conflict by their service and illuminated it by their writings. Hankey had already had a soul-developing experience. It began in youth when problems of life and religion arose in his experience. He was by circumstance and by personal inclination led through unusual experiences to face reality and to reach for himself finality so far as certain fundamentals of interpretation go. This reality and genuineness he found to be in serious conflict with the the creed and the forces of the church. For him the Church is always the Church of England. That is a pity for it affects adversely nearly all his final statements. The work—and the man—is significant in that the solution of religious problems is found at last within and not without the creed and the church. But neither creed nor church is taken as satisfactory as now found and both must modify themselves to fit the facts of faith and of life. But Hankey sees what so many fail to see, namely: that religious improvement will succeed if it begins not with a direct effort to reform creeds and institutions but if it undertakes to vitalize and make real our life. This fuller life will then modify its forms of expression in creed and organization. Hankey is hindered in the freedom of this interpretation of life and of reform because of an almost too great reverence for the forms of his own Church. He comes round in the end to condone

and accept if he does not approve all the forms of that Church even after exposing the glaring absurdity of many of them.

He interprets the faith and the hope of the "average man" with keenest insight and sympathy in parts of his experience.

Hankey had not seen through and throughout all the questions he faced. He was yet under twenty-five when he was slain. On some he speaks with the authority of clearest insight and information. On others he obviously knew as yet too little to speak fairly and his work had been better if he had let alone the things he as yet had not fathomed. On experience he is very strong and clear. On missions he is in the half-light. It is a very stirring little volume.

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The Peaceful Life: A Study in Spiritual Hygiene. By Oscar Kuhns. The Abingdon Press, New York, Cincinnati, 1917. 234 pp. \$1.00 net.

Professor Kuhns, by temperament and training, seems specially fitted and set apart to deal with the peaceful life, and certainly in a time like this, amid the tumult of a world at war, it is tranquilizing and refreshing to turn aside and ponder over these pages. Here one may enter into the secret and feel something of the power of soul serenity and learn how the peaceful life may be attained and maintained even in troublous times like these. It is not surprising that many are finding in this, his latest production, the author of "The Inner Life" at his best. Enriched as it is with apt quotations of prose and poetry from the best writers, ancient and modern. The book will be a joy to all lovers of good literature who may scan its pages and a helpful stimulus to the highest and best in thinking and living.

GEO. B. EAGER.

Life for a Look. By Rev. A. H. Holloway, A.M., Author of "Good Words for Sunday School Teachers". Charles C. Cook, New York, 1917. 48 pp. 10 cts net.

A most timely, Scriptural and faithful treatment of a great subject by one who speaks experientially, as well as out of an intimate knowledge of the human heart and of the Book that records "the old, old story of Jesus and His love".

Light on Living From the Light of Life. By Mornay Williams. Baptist World Pub. Co., Louisville, Ky., 1917. 35 cts.

This little book is a collection of ten brief and wholesome discussions upon a like number of vital and significant phases of the life of the Savior. Beginning with His birth, His life is traced through, end-