

(1889-1896), and C. Sheridan Jones. Illustrated. New York: Fleming H. Revell Company, 1912. 252 pages. \$1.25 net.

After twenty-five years of intimate knowledge of this Chinese Patriot, i. e. from his sixteenth year, Mr. Cantlie ought to be able to give a thoroughly reliable account of the man, his character, motives and fitness. He had known Sun as student and friend, had corresponded with him, talked with him, harbored him in the days when he was hunted the world over. With the aid of Mr. Jones to help interpret the new order in China we have here the work that thousands of students of current history in China were wanting. It may be the admiring friendship for Sun has caused too large a share to be attributed to him in the complex of personal and social forces that are making the new China. That seems to the reviewer to be the case. Time and study must reveal this. Meantime we all want to read this work.

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**New Thrills in Old China.** By Charlotte E. Hawes, Presbyterian Missionary, Wei Hsien, Shantung, China. Illustrated. Hodder & Stoughton, New York; George H. Doran Company, 1913. 272 pages. \$1.25 net.

An autobiographical study of China before the Boxer uprising, an account of that terrible and significant experience, an account of the awakening and a moral and religious interpretation of the new situation in the old country: all this written in the fine style of a buoyant, vivacious spirit that rests deep in the faith of the God of Presbyterian theology and yet is vibrant in sympathy with the living present; such is this work on China. It is a good illustration of motives to missionary consecration, a study of the force of Christianity and a light on the social evolution of China.

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**An Outline History of China. Part I, From the Earliest Times to the Manchu Conquest, A.D. 1644.** By Herbert H. Gowen, D.D., F.R.G.S.,

Lecturer in Oriental History at the University of Washington. Boston: Sherman, French & Company, 1913. 208 pages. \$1.20 net.

Nothing in literature concerning China was so much needed as a history of the people. This volume puts within reach of all a very well-arranged and well-proportioned account of the people and of the numerous dynasties. It is not a mere chronology but a vital picture of the life. Of course it is only an outline. But that is what most people will need. The reader will very frequently feel that more should be told. The author has used freely the popular works on China, but also some far less known in this country. His treatment of religion is very slight and one must think rather superficial. He falls into the easy error of making Lao "the founder of Taoism." There can not as yet, if ever, be any clear distinction between fact and legend in much of China's history. This work will do a fine service in informing many of the main facts of China's long career.

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**Human Progress Through Missions.** By James L. Barton, D.D., Foreign Secretary of the American Board; author of "The Missionary and His Critics," "The Unfinished Task," "Daybreak in Turkey," etc. New York, 1912. Fleming H. Revell Company. 96 pages. 50c net.

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**The Modern Call of Missions: Studies in Some of the Larger Aspects of a Great Enterprise.** By James S. Dennis, D.D., New York: Fleming H. Revell Company, 1913. 341 pages. \$1.50 net.

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