

Here again we meet the fatal "either, or". Let us learn to say, "Both, and", and we shall be on the way to a less serious breach with our present existence and a surer progress toward the ideal of a church equal to the demands of an awakened and eager world.

One very important note is wholly missing in Mr. Rockefeller's address. The glory of God, which has so large a place in the consciousness of Jesus, is not made a motive or aim in all the argument, and loyal love to the Savior of men is not prominent.

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Every Church Its Own Evangelist. By Loren M. Edwards. New York and Cincinnati, 1917, Methodist Book Concern. 161 pp. 50 cts. net.

One of the chief appeals of this highly readable little volume is that it embodies the successful pastoral experience of the author for seventeen years in churches of every grade of culture. In all this time the writer employed an evangelist for only one meeting.

The seven chapters discuss, in a stimulating and interesting way, the following subjects: The Church's Evangelistic "Pastor"; "Creed"; "Example"; "Opportunity"; "Climate"; "Cross" and "Crown".

The different themes are well analyzed and are logically developed. For instance, the chapter on "Climate" brings out such practical points as "spiritual certainty", "graciousness" (the glory of Christ was full, first of grace, and then truth), "harmony and brotherly love" "wholesomeness of social life" and "holiness of life". The book cannot fail to help any thoughtful and earnest pastor.

P. T. HALE.

James Monroe Buckley. By Preston Mains. The Methodist Book Concern, New York.

Dr. J. M. Buckley has been one of the greatest characters that American Methodism has produced. A powerful preacher and speaker, and able and tireless editor of a denominational weekly, an author of note, he has long filled a very large place in the life and thinking of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His life has had little that was spectacular and dramatic, but much that was interesting and instructive.

His biographer is a great, perhaps an extravagant, admirer of the noted preacher and editor. The volume is rather a panegyric than a balanced and thoughtful biography in which an effort is made to give the man in his historical setting and make an estimate of his influence upon the religious life of America. Even from the avowed standpoint of the author the work is not particularly well done. It is in-

teresting but scrappy and unsatisfying. Some phases of the life are very fully treated, other matters which would generally be considered more important are scarcely touched. Dr. Buckley deserves a more careful biography than this volume affords. W. J. McGLOTHLIN.

Says Hogan: Being Chronicles of Hogan and Hogan: Religion With a Smile. By Charles A. McAlpine, Author of "Hogan and Hogan". Philadelphia, 1918, Roger Williams Press. 245 pp. \$1.00 net.

Everybody loves the Irish and the Irish brogue is a vehicle of certain interest for any ideas that are at all calculated to claim attention. Mr. McAlpine has used it to the finest advantage for teaching some of the fine lessons of religion in these practical days. Every one of the fifteen chapters is witty and wise, entertaining and convincing. The Laymen's Movement, the temperance cause, the missionary enterprise, the necessity for proper attention to the associates of our children, Christian Science, pastors' salaries, all these and many more topics are discussed in a way to be most helpful even if not made irresistible in the form in which the ideas are presented. It is a book one has tried out in reading aloud in the family circle.

W. O. CARVER.

The Baptist Sunday School Standard Manual. Philadelphia, American Baptist Publication Society. 50 cts. net.

This book is the setting forth of the standard for Baptist Sunday schools as approved by the Northern Baptist Convention. It is planned to be used in teachers' training classes and workers' conferences.

There are ten chapters—one upon each of the ten points in the standard which are: Extension, membership, grading, evangelism, organized classes, teacher training, workers' conferences, special instruction, finance, and special days.

Each chapter is written by a separate author. Mr. W. E. Chalmers is the editor-in-chief. Sunday schools attaining the standard set forth herein are recognized as in the honor class.

The Intermediate Department. By Eugene C. Foster. Philadelphia, Westminster Press. 84 pp. 40 cts.

In fourteen brief chapters, the author gives a good general treatment of the intermediate boy and girl, suggesting methods of treatment in the Sunday school and the home. Class activities and lesson material, both graded and uniform, are discussed. It should prove helpful to all who work with intermediate pupils.