over. Tom Sawyer is not more fascinating. The stories are brief, snappy, moving. Anyone of them might be a scene in a picture reel.

The subjects are drawn all the way from Paul to Chalmers, and represent many lands. By a group arrangement into four "Books" an element of order is established.

Mrs. Mason has limited her range to Modern Missions, beginning with Carey, and has approximately an outline of this period through vivid biographical subjects so chosen as to represent the various aspects and sections. Six chapters outline the work of Carey; seven glimpse the beginnings in Asia; eight give snap-shots of the men who followed "Along Livingstone's Trail"; ten recount epochal incidents in the lives and labors of those who raised the cross in the islands under "The Southern Cross"; six select epochal stories from "The Splendid Adventurous Thirties" (1832-1842), when such striking initiative expressed itself in many directions; finally, eight chapters spot the "High Lights Down the Decades 1852-1922".

Here we have the sort of books that must certainly mark a new beginning in missionary reading, and suited well to enlist a new class of readers. These volumes ought to be read at once by tens of thousands, and then more like them.

W. O. CARVER.

Problems in Pan Americanism. By Samuel Guy Inman, Instructor in International Relations in Columbia University, Secretary of Committee on Co-operation in Latin America; Author of "Intervention in Mexico", "Through Santo Domingo and Haiti," etc. New York, Geo. H. Doran Company, 1921, XII and 415 pp. \$2.00 net.

Possibly the advertising declaration that "Pan Americanism is the next great international question for North America to face" is a bit of an over statement, but only a bit. It is a problem that must be ever present until resolved and removed, but certainly there is ground for regarding other matters as more nearly acute.

Every enlightened citizen of the United States and every devoted student of Protestant and of Baptist Missions ought to place a knowledge of the twenty Latin-American countries on the list of his topics to know.

Dr. Inman is well-known for his enthusiastic and enlightened interest in all that pertains to these countries and our relations to them. In the course of ten Lectures in the College of Missions, Indianapolis, here presented, the average student will find the most important single volume for this study, known to me. Moreover, in the (relatively) extensive bibliography, together with the reading references connected with each Lecture guidance will be found for full study of the various phases of the question.

If in his enthusiasm for friendship and unity of spirit and purpose among the Americas Dr. Inman has gone so far in criticising his own country and countrymen as to rasp the spirits of his readers, we may nevertheless do well to ponder carefully his censure and profit by so much of his rebuke as is just.

No doubt it would have been both more judicious and more just if he had been able to avoid expression of partisanship with reference to recent political issues in our own country. There is a considerable number of eminent and able men who find it thus far impossible to discuss any question involving national policy and international relations without manifesting a blind adoration of Wilsonism and a bitterness over the League of Nations outcome that adds nothing to the value of their arguments. Dr. Inman is of this number. Moreover he has been so anxious to get the view point of the other Americas that he is not always able to be fair to the view point of his own America.

These defects are such as any fair-minded reader can easily appraise and the views herein are usually very important to get and to heed.

The problems of the relations of the Americas are presented and discussed historically, critically and constructively. The final Lecture makes thoughtful and impressive suggestions as to "Next Steps in Inter-American Friendship", even if his ten-

dency to harsh judgment of our own country does mar to some extent the effect of what he has to say. I would close by again saying that this is the book that we ought all to read as speedily as possible.

W. O. CARVER.

VIII. EVANGELISM.

Evangelistic Talks. By Gipsy Smith. George H. Doran Co., New York. 170 pages. Price \$1.25 net.

These are not sermons but "Talks", but they are "Talks" by Gipsy Smith at his best. They are evangelistic and stirring. The subjects are simple not unusual, as "Abide in Me", "Come", "If any man Thirst," "The Wages of Sin." This goes far to explain their power. It is not possible to review the twenty addresses, only to say they testify each one of them. Gipsy Smith's sermons (Talks) are always simple, scriptural, original and intensely spiritual.

H. C. WAYMAN.

IX. RELIGION AND ETHICS.

Encyclopaedia of Religion and Ethics, Edited by James Hastings. Scribners. New York.

The publication of this volume is a notable event in the realm of the study of religions. Congratulations are pertinent for the distinguished editor, the worthy publishers and most of all the body of students of religion, happily ever growing larger and more intelligent. The Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics is now complete. While there has been inevitable delay on account of that war which has delayed all the best work of humanity and put much of it most seriously out of joint, the indefatigable Dr. Hastings and his coadjutors have been able to push