The two "Presidential Addresses" to the British Academy are of great permanent value for their general discussion of the causes for war and the hopes of averting it. Likewise, his addresses on "The War State: Its Mind and Its Methods" and on "War and Human Progress" cannot become old very speedily. The former analyzes Germany as an example of "the War State", but its principles and their application will need to be studied much for at least a generation. All the addresses—eight in number—are marked by that directness, clarity and simplicity for which this noble statesman is famous.

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Mexico Today and Tomorrow. By E. D. Trowbridge. New York, 1919, The Macmillan Company. 282 pp. \$2.00.

If we shall shortly be free from the pressing demands of Europe, we shall need to give fresh attention to Mexico, where we have a pretty well established record for blundering. Mr. Trowbridge is quite right in saying that "We have, in the United States, a very confused idea of what has been happening in Mexico during the past seven or eight years." In a straightforward way this book undertakes to tell us what has been happening and why it has been happening.

The book bears the marks of frank statement with no ulterior motives, a matter of no small consequence when we read of Mexico.

The history of Mexico is outlined for us up to nineteen hundred and from that point onward the narrative and discussion seek to amplify the facts and appraise them. It is a work to help in a needed understanding of Mexico which we in our country must now understand.

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The Adventure of Life. By Robert W. McKenna, M. A., M. D., Author of "The Adventure of Death". New York, 1919, The Macmillan Company. xi-233 pp. \$1.25.

A physician serving in the British armies in France carried with him a few, very few, books in a bag and evidently much scientific learning in his head. Besides, he had a conviction of religion well grounded in experience. Withal, he seems to have had a good mind in fine state of repair. In hospitals under the glare of the battle lights, in tents within the fighting zone, amid the roar of conflict, and all about the war-swept land he found himself face to face with facts that fell into question marks before the affirmations of faith.

This book is the product of reflection and reasoning under such conditions. It covers a rather wide field, adhering, however, all the