

discoveries of Drs. Grenfell and Hunt at Oxyrhynchus. In each instance Dr. Charles Taylor, of Cambridge, has issued a little book concerning the discovery, which is one of the sensations of modern New Testament scholarship. Too much credit cannot be given the patience and fidelity of Drs. Grenfell and Hunt who are still editing the Papyri in fast following volumes. More Logia may yet be found. It is now certain that there was a book called Logia of Jesus, though it is not yet settled whether it existed before our Synoptic Gospels or not. Some of these new Sayings have a Gnostic flavor and seem to belong to the second century. The present popular view is that Matthew besides Mark used such a book of Sayings. That is possible though it would not follow that it was the one a few pages of which we now possess. One of the Logia uses ἐντός ὑμῶν in a connection where Dr. Taylor says it "must mean that the Kingdom of God is not external but within a man, in his heart." This throws light on Luke 17:21. In simple truth no example of ἐντός in the sense of "among" is known. Let us hope that Drs. Grenfell and Hunt will find yet other leaves of these interesting Logia of Jesus.

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**The Divine Tragedy.** A Drama of the Christ.

By Peyton H. Hoge. Published by the Fleming H. Revell Company New York. Pages 146. Price \$1.00 net.

"The Divine Tragedy" tells in blank verse the story of the Christ from the anointing in Bethany to the ascension. The undertaking is such a difficult one that it is easy for a feeling of prejudice to spring up against the author for his presumption—but if so, the frankness and good sense of his "foreword" dispels that and prepares as to read dispassionately and with the reading impression grows that Mr. Hoge has succeeded remarkably well. He has put himself under a proper self-restraint, kept close to the record, and taken pains to maintain historical truth in the details of the various scenes.

It is no small achievement to throw the harmonized

gospel narratives into dramatic form without sacrificing their simplicity and strength, lowering their never-failing dignity or doing violence to our Christian feeling. Rather one feels afresh the power of that old old story to touch the heart and to deepen one's sense of the wickedness of the Jews and the divineness of Jesus, the horror of the cross and the gladness of the resurrection, the sinfulness of one's own heart and the sweetness of the divine forgiveness. Thus the book becomes a benediction, and the author has our thanks. We cordially commend it to all who would see Jesus more clearly and who welcome all that sticks to reverent love and devotion.

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### **Neutestamentliche Bibelstunden.**

Von Dr. H. Hoffman. A. Deichert'sche Verlagsbuchhandlung. Leipzig, Germany. Band I (1903). Band II (1904). Band III (1904). Band IV (1903). Band V (1904). To be had also from Lemcke & Buechner, New York.

These five volumes cover the Acts, all of Paul's Epistles, 1 and 2 Peter, and 1 John. There are other volumes to follow. They give the German text with brief comment. The exposition is practical rather than critical. It is a good sample of the work of a scholarly German pastor. Dr. Hoffmann is pastor at Halle. He accepts all of Paul's Epistles as well as 2 Peter. The radical criticism has not carried all before it in Germany when in a great university town like Halle a vigorous pastor can write so firmly and sanely about the books of the New Testament. Ministers who have difficulty with the abstract theological German would find Dr. Hoffmann's style not hard to manage. They would find also many fresh ideas that would be helpful.

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### **Literary Illustrations of the Bible. The Epistle to the Romans.**

By Rev. James Moffatt, D. D. New York, A. C. Armstrong & Son London, Hodder & Stoughton. 1905.

This is a new kind of commentary and a very helpful