

**The World Book of Temperance.** Temperance Lessons, Biblical, History, Scientific. By Dr. and Mrs. Wilbur F. Crafts, Teachers of New York Christian Herald Million Bible Class. Published by The International Reform Bureau, Washington, D. C. Abridged edition; 120 pages. Price, paper, 35 cents; cloth, 75 cents.

This work has a great deal of "ammunition" for temperance teachers and workers. It is enriched with a wealth of exposition, narration, argument, stories and pictures, as well as scientific arguments and extracts, statistical notes, pictures, cartoons and blackboard illustrations. It must be admitted that Scripture is sometimes misinterpreted and often misapplied, a serious fault of most reformers who seek to use the Bible overmuch in good causes. The work is very desirable for all who are, or ought to be, engaged in temperance education.

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## VI. NEW TESTAMENT.

**Die Aufgaben der Neutestamentlichen Wissenschaft in der Gegenwart.** Von Johannes Weiss. Vandenhoeck und Ruprecht, Goettingen, Germany, 1908. S. 56. To be had also of Lemcke & Buechner, 11 East 17th Street, New York City.

Prof. Weiss delivered this address at the Ministerial Scientific Union at Karlsruhe last June. It is a very able paper and it is well for it to be published. The book is, in a word, a rapid survey of the critical problems in the New Testament field. He begins with Textual Criticism and justly praises the work of Nestle in this department. In the grammatical sphere Dr. Weiss thinks (S. 9) that Deissmann insists too strenuously on the popular character of New Testament speech and does not allow enough credit for the literary side and the Semitic influence. He considers that in Paul's works we have marks of real rhetorical style. He sees the value of the new grammatical and lexical discoveries for exegesis. Dr. Weiss agrees that John's Gospel had in view the Synoptic Gospels. It is all in all a very suggestive presentation.

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