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By Willis Judson Beecher, D.D. The American Tract Society, New York. 1906. Pp. 197. Price, 75 cents.

Dr. Beecher is an able scholar who handles his important theme with care and balance of temper. The modern mind looks askance at too much dogmatism about the future life and puts the question mark at many points. But Dr. Beecher judiciously considers this point of view and seeks to unfold the real message of Jesus in a manner that will not offend the reader of today. He is loyal to the cardinal truths set forth by Jesus. He interprets Jesus to mean that eternal punishment belongs to those who eternally sin. This book makes the eighth in the series edited by Dr. Kerr and two more are to come. Dr. Beecher has written an able and a sane treatise, one that will help many a troubled reader if he will get it and read it.

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Die geistige Einwirkung der Person Jesu auf Paulus. Eine historische Untersuchung.

Von Dr. Paul Kölbinger. Vandenhoeck und Ruprecht, Goettingen, Germany. Also Lemcke & Buechner, New York. 1906. S. 113. Pr. M. 3.60.

This is an earnest, and on the whole, successful effort to relate the spiritual life of Paul with that of Jesus. Dr. Sanday has said that the next great theological debate will be on Paul's witness to Christ. Already the German privat-docents are issuing monographs on various aspects of this question. In this instance the writer is Director of the Theological Seminary in Gnadenfeld. He

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Social Significance of the Teachings of Jesus.

By Jeremiah W. Jenks, Ph. D., LL. D., Professor of Political Economy and Politics, Cornell University, International Committee of Y. M. C. A. 1906. Pp. 168. New York.

The views finding public and permanent form in this volume are the views of a thoughtful and cultivated Christian layman, a student of politics and economics, who, as he avows, has taken a very great interest in seeing how the teachings which Jesus applied in his own life fit themselves into the views and practices of the best thinkers of the present day. As they have molded the practices of those of the past, so he believes they are surely, although too slowly, regenerating the world. It was a source of satisfaction to him, as a student of social science and politics, to see how in many cases the principles laid down by Jesus have made their way, often without the will of political or social leaders, into the scheme of our modern life. He became convinced that, like all of the great thinkers who have weighed the deeper problems of life, individual and social—Job, Aristotle, Dante, Shakespeare—Jesus looked deeper than the mere surface experiences of the day, and where they only discussed and explained, he touched and solved the problems that are universal—“his answers are complete for all time.” As a matter of fact, too, the Christian religion, he thinks, has proved itself practical in politics, and statesmen are realizing now as never before that God cannot be left out as a factor in public affairs. It was