

the pitfalls of the contrasted ideas where one is bidden to choose this instead of that when there is no good reason why he may not have both. It is a book to read and ponder.

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**Philosophy as a Science.** A Synopsis of the Writings of Dr. Paul Carus, Chicago. 1909. The Open Court Publishing Co. Pages ix+213. Price 50 cents.

The title page further explains that this volume contains an introduction written by Dr. Carus, summaries of his books, and a list of articles to date. Truly it is an inspiring array and testifies to the prolific energy, the breadth of learning and the vigorous personality of this remarkable man. The "Introduction" occupies twenty-eight pages and aims to be a sort of stock-taking of the principles and progress of the "philosophy of form" which Dr. Carus thinks so revolutionary, so lucid, so scientific and so certain to gain "the consensus of the competent". In the absolute confidence of Dr. Carus in the finality of his own system he is to be compared at once with Hegel and Spencer. The former had the conviction that no one understood him and the latter lived to see his splendid scheme outgrown. Dr. Carus has not yet seen his win the day, but his enthusiasm feels no damper and his self-assurance needs no flattering acceptance of his philosophy. Sixty-four pages are taken up with titles, analyses and extracts from published notices of more than fifty works which Dr. Carus has prepared. It is interesting to have these summaries of the author's own works and citations from reviews selected by himself.

The last part of the work lists nearly a thousand articles by Dr. Carus, with outlines or abstracts of the more important. The scope of his writings is wide and they have all along had recognition for their scholarly and thoughtful ability. The book is unique and interesting.

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**The Fundamental Principles Involved in Dr. Edward Caird's Philosophy of Religion.** By Dr. W. O. Lewis, Leipzig. 1910. Quelle & Meyer. Pages 62. Paper.

This is the thesis of Dr. Lewis in application for his Ph.D.