

Christian of the third generation who for a few brief years became a leader in Christian thought in a section of China. His conception of Christian life was of the Keswick type and his experience hardly normal, but the life was influential and its story will be of service in many ways.

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In Captivity in the Pacific; or, In the Land of the Bread-fruit Tree.
By Edwin J. Houston, Ph.D. Philadelphia, The Griffith and Rowland Press, 1909. 422 pages. Price, \$1.25.

This is the third of a series of four books by Dr. Houston in which he undertakes to set forth the leading characteristics of the Pacific Islands and their people by means of the story of some boys who are supposed to have been cruising, shipwrecked and undergoing various other experiences in the South Seas and other parts of the Pacific. In this volume two of the boys are captured by some savages and carried to live in their island as members of the chief's family. There are many points at which the work is open to criticism, but the test that counts for most is that one's own boys are ever eager for more of the story. The author's chief weakness is that he sacrifices artistic progress and consistent disposal of persons and events to the end of giving useful and full information. If that is a fault it leans to virtue's side.

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Desert, Mountain and Island. Two Studies on the Indians of Arizona, Two Studies of New Mexican Life, Two Studies on Porto Rico. By von Ogden Vogt. Presbyterian Home Missions (Young People's Department), 156 Fifth Ave., New York. Pages 39. Price 15 cents.

A remarkably bright, vivid and informing tract, designed to set forth for Presbyterian children and young people the work of Presbyterians in the territories indicated. There are map sections for each set of studies, and numerous good pictures. A slip accompanies, with a bibliography and instructions for using the pamphlet.

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