

Gates and Keys to Matthew. Including a short survey of the Years Between the Testaments. By Leonidas Robinson, M. A. Author of "Gates and Keys to the Books of the Law;" or "Hints on the Hexateuch", etc. Westminster Press. 1910. 111 pages. 75 cents. For sale by the author, Harrodsburg, Ky.

The Gates are several chapters discussing the four centuries of Jewish history between the close of the Old Testament and the coming of Jesus Christ. The keys are brief suggestive discussions of various topics intended to bring out the chief characteristics and teachings of the Gospel of Matthew.

The author writes with enthusiasm, with a rather wide acquaintance with the critical literature and with insight into the spirit of the Gospel. The chapters are short and often contain many topics. On the whole the work is distinctly fragmentary and presupposes a knowledge of both the inter-Biblical history and the content of the Gospel. About the proper size for a handbook the work is too primary for the scholar and too advanced for the average student.

W. O. CARVER.

The Shepherd of Israel and His Scattered Flock. A Solution of the Enigma of Jewish History. By David Baron, Editor of The Scattered Nation, author of "The Ancient Scriptures and the Modern Jew", etc. London. 1910. Morgan and Scott. xii+133 pages. 2 shillings 6 pence.

This work bases itself upon the eighteenth psalm, taking the psalm as at once a cry of distress and a prophecy of Israel's history in distress and in repentance and glorification in the acceptance of the Savior. The exegesis is sound, learned and spiritual. At least half the work is occupied with a summary of Jewish persecution and suffering in Europe, and it is a story to rend the soul. In a truly remarkable degree is the learned author able to be a loyal Jew and a true Christian. He has the right viewpoint; Jews are not to accept the Christian Savior, but to claim their own Messiah and thus come into fellowship of the Christians. The sufferings of Israel are interpreted as a prophecy of judgment to warn Christians and all men; as a

demonstration of God's inspiration of ancient prophecy; as a calling of the Jews to the acceptance of Jesus as the Messiah.

The work is such as should be of great interest to Christian and to Jew alike.

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The Century Bible Handbooks. Life and Teaching of Paul. By Rev. Alfred E. Garvie, M.A., D.D., Principal of New College, London. Hodder and Stoughton (Geo. H. Doran Co.), New York. 1910. Pages 182. Price 40 cents net.

Dr. Garvie has a strong grasp of his subject as was to be expected. He is one of the ablest writers of the day and loyal to the great essentials of the faith. He gives a clear and, on the whole, just picture of Paul, though he hesitates to use the Pastoral Epistles. But I do not like, especially in a popular handbook, a tone of superiority that crops out on pages 172f., as is shown in such sentences as this: "In the defence of his Gospel against the Judaizers, he is not as scrupulously fair in his methods of controversy as we might desire". Paul would probably say that Dr. Garvie is not quite fair to him. I quote: "His advocacy of the Gospel of grace was not always gracious". He charges him with conduct "scarcely worthy of his courage as a man or of his faith in God". I do not believe that Paul deserves harsh words like these.

A. T. ROBERTSON.

Medical Men in the Time of Christ. By Robert N. Wilson, M. D. The Sunday School Times Co., Philadelphia. 1910. Pages 157.

One might think that there was nothing to say on such a subject. But our author has given us a very delightful little book. He traces by the help of the papyri the history of Egyptian medicine, a very astonishing story indeed. The influence of Egypt on the Jews is shown in the Old Testament sanitary science. The rise of Greek medicine is shown with a sketch of its influence on the Roman world. He describes the "Methodists", medical sect of the time of Christ, which was widespread over the world. Very sympathetic discussions of Luke,