

ment, and chiefly the work of members of the teams of specialists who were active in this movement. The notable first chapter on "The Dream Come True," giving the origin, motive and history of the movement, is by Allan K. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Worcester, Mass., the unanimous choice of the specialists as possessing special qualifications for this work. The volume will serve as a valuable handbook for the use of pastors and Christian workers, giving, as it does, the cream of the seven-volume library of the Movement, which has been called "the most up-to-date authoritative word on the problems of American Christianity." The movement is unique in this, it has given itself for the life of existing institutions. The program here outlined is big, but it is the program of Jesus. Work is mapped out to engage pastors and Christian workers for years to come.

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Efficient Religion. By George Arthur Andrews, author of "What Is Essential." Hodder & Stoughton, London and New York. George H. Doran Company, New York. 1912. Pp. 178. \$1.00 net.

This volume, though distinct from it, may be taken as a companion-volume with "Making Religion Efficient." Its key-note is: Religion must express itself in deed rather than in word, in action rather than in thought, if it is to convince the world of its reality and importance. The distinction must be more clearly made between religion and ecclesiasticism. True religion has never failed to grip men; ecclesiasticism has always been resisted. Christianity must do more than proclaim its doctrines, reveal its beauty, or even point triumphantly to its twenty centuries of successful history; it must show present helpfulness and efficiency, if it is to maintain and augment its influence over the men and women of this age. "What can it do?" "What is it good for?"—these are the questions men are asking to-day. To answer such questions is the object of this book. With a clear perception of economic background and needs, and a fine insight into the problems and forces involved, the author endeavors to show how the churches may enlist and mobilize their forces so as to deal effectively with present conditions.

The chapters on "Profitable Faith," "Practicable Love," "Sustaining Strength," and "Achieving Power" are especially suggestive. The book says in manly, down-right fashion what many are thinking to-day more or less consciously.

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Catch-My-Pal. By the Rev. R. J. Patterson, LL.B. Hodder & Stoughton, New York and London. George H. Doran Company, New York. 1912. Pp. 192. \$1.00 net.

This wonderful story of the Catch-My-Pal Temperance Movement is told by the man who started the propaganda. It had its inception in Armagh, one of the most drunken districts of Ireland, swept that district free of drink, and is now sweeping Europe. It is a story of intensely human, social and practical interest and usefulness. The author derived his idea from Christ's calling of his disciples—Christ called Andrew, and Andrew brought Peter, etc. The new convert feels the impulse and responsibility to catch and convert someone else. "I am not an expert," the author says, in substance, "but I've had an experience. I am telling not what ought to be done, but what has been done." He apologizes for "seeming egotism," "I am telling a story which gathered about myself in a way that is a great and growing surprise to me." "My missionary call came, not to go out as a missionary to tramps on the road, as my first impulse was to do, but to prevent men and women from becoming tramps, for drink is the chief cause of trampdom."

What neither civil authorities nor Christians, Protestants nor Catholics, had been able to do, an appeal to the social conscience of the drunkard and to his play-instinct enabled this movement to do. Success was almost instant and so far has been abiding. The author is sure that the methods that did such great things for Armagh and Ireland can under God do equally great things for other lands, and it is this conviction that has inspired this story.

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Ethics and the Family. By W. F. Lofthouse. Hodder & Stoughton, London and New York. 1912. Pp. 403.