

the comments delightful. At the back of the book the author has some blank pages for the child to make a list of his own pets. It is one of the prettiest books of the season.

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VI. MISSIONS.

The Nearer and Farther East. Outline Studies of Moslem Lands and of Siam, Burma, and Korea.

By Samuel M. Zwemer, F. R. G. S., and Arthur Judson Brown, D. D. New York, The Macmillan Co. 1908. Pp. 325. Price, 50 cents net.

This book is the eighth in the series of text-books prepared and published by the Central Committee on the United Study of Missions. It consists of two distinct parts. The first consists of four chapters of outline studies of Moslem lands by Zwemer; the second consists of three chapters, one each on Siam, Burma and Korea, by Dr. Brown. Dr. Zwemer's views of the Moslem lands, peoples and religion are well known from his various publications which have already appeared. These outlines, prepared for young people, are well done. In addition to the text there are references to other literature which will assist pastors and leaders in more thorough preparation. It is a good introduction to the subject.

Dr. Brown's chapters on Siam, Burma and Korea are excellent. He treats, briefly of course, the land, the people, their religious, moral and social condition, the progress and outlook of missionary labor. It would be hard to find clearer and more satisfactory treatment of any of these countries in the same space. The book can be commended heartily to all mission study classes interested in the subject treated.

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The World-Call to Men of To-day. Addresses and Proceedings of the Men's Missionary Convention, held in Philadelphia, Feb. 11-13, 1908.

Edited by David McConaughy. The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., New York. Pp. 323. Price, \$1.00.

This missionary meeting in Philadelphia was a notable and, it is to be hoped, a significant one. No such meeting was ever held before it—a meeting of men exclusively, largely laymen,

many of whom had themselves visited the foreign fields at their own expense. They were present to inform and inspire their brethren at home.

As the meeting was in itself notable and significant, so many of these addresses are notable. They are classified under the following heads: "The Call of the World," "The Call of God," "The Response of the Church in the Past," "The Present Response of the Church," "The Response for the Future." Among the speakers were such men as John R. Mott, Robt. E. Speer, W. T. Ellis, J. Campbell White, and others scarcely less notable. Pastors will find the volume inspiring and encouraging in a marked degree.

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China in Legend and Story.

By C. Campbell Brown, Missionary of the China Mission Society. Fleming H. Revell Co. 1907. Pp. 253.

The title is a trifle misleading. All the stories were gathered in Chinchew and its environs, one of the interesting old cities of Eastern China. Doubtless they represent Chinese characteristics in general as well as such things can, but they do not represent all of China geographically. They are actual incidents and current stories told by the Chinese gathered from various sources by the author, illustrating the social and religious characteristics of the common people while heathen and after they become Christians. "The object of this book is to show how Chinese people live and think, first when they are heathens, and afterwards when they are Christians." We are prone to think of China as a featureless country inhabited by a featureless people, practical and prosaic, but with little that we designate as human. This book helps us to see that they are flesh and blood, with the same hopes and fears, joys and sorrows, experienced by Western people. As Christians they often show a devotion and steadfastness rarely equaled in Christian lands. The author makes the Chinese as they are live before us, and thereby renders a real service to missions. Many of the stories illustrate the marvelous transformation wrought by Christianity in every phase of their life.

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