

fairly and adequately with this subject and the outcome is probably the best book for a clear study of Christian Science. The authorities are cited at every point and an extended bibliography of works consulted is given. It is just what was needed.

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Ten Weeks: The Journal of a Missionary. By Harvey Reeves Calkins. The Abingdon Press, New York and Cincinnati, 1920. 16 mo. 96 pp. 50 cents net.

This is like an echo of a memory. It recounts ten weeks of revival in the Methodist Indian center at Crownpore in 1909. The story is instructive in many ways, giving direct insight into the problems of a nascent Christianity in a heathen and Mohammedan environment.

That the missionaries were themselves rather abnormal at the time, as revealed in this diary story, is not to be wondered at. If it yield some disappointment in the reading it gives the more satisfaction upon careful reflection, because one comes to know so much of actual conditions.

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Evangelische Missionskunde. Von D. Julius Richter, Professor der Missions-Wissenschaft an der Universität Berlin. Leipzig, 1920. A. Deichertsche Verlagsbuchhandlung, Dr. Werner Scholl. 463 pp.

With the lifting of the war barriers there is coming from Germany a rather full stream of publications, considering the state of destitution which the Germans like to make us think they have been reduced to. It is especially gratifying to find that the splendid evangelical publishing house of Dr. Scholl, founded nearly three-quarters of a century ago by A. Deichert and still bearing his name, is putting forth numerous works of well known conservative scholars. This house has been a bulwark of strength for the struggling evangelical faith in Germany during these decades of reaction and down-grade scholarship. If such influ-

ences could have been more persuasive we should not have had the terrible world upheaval.

Among the numerous volumes that have come to us none is more elaborate nor more to be desired than this by the distinguished Professor of Missions in Berlin University, the first man to hold such a chair in that institution and, if we are rightly informed, the second in Germany. Dr. Richter is well known by missionary leaders in America, both through previous works of his, some of them translated into English, and also through his participation in Student Volunteer Conventions.

The present volume is in the nature of a text—or guide book for studying the whole subject of missions. It falls into four parts. The section on the Biblical Foundation (*Begründung*) is all too brief—seventeen pages—and while good, is the least satisfactory part of the work.

The second part deals with the Theory of Missions (*Missionstheorie*). The various phases of missionary policy in organization and administration, at home and abroad, and the conduct of the work on the fields come in for summary statement.

Under the heading of Missionary Apologetic (*Missionsapologetik*) we have statements of the outstanding features and teachings of the religions with which the Christian missionary comes in contact in his work. It is a sort of practical summary of comparative religion.

More than half of the volume is occupied with the History of Missions (*Missionsgeschichte*). An account of the rise of the missionary spirit and organization is followed by chapters dealing with the progress of the work of missions in the different countries. In the nature of the case this must be hardly more than summaries, as is true of the whole work. But one finds much ability in the handling of details, barring errors here and there to be noted. It is done with characteristic interest in details and with somewhat less of outline views of the movement as a whole than might give the best results. Dr. Richter has made this part of his work far less a group of names and statistics than was the way of his great exemplar, that pioneer teacher of missions, the late Dr. G. Warneck. Still it is more

that sort of thing than we in America find most interesting or profitable; and the more so that late statistics were not in many cases accessible to Dr. Richter. It could hardly be avoided that so brief accounts should be annals rather than history.

Everywhere throughout the work copious foot notes give the authorities for the various parts and sections of the subject. These are very valuable for the serious student who may wish to pursue the subject, or any part of it, further. Occasional errors in these references will not seriously interfere with the results from their use. Two indices at the end are wholly insufficient as guides to the material of the volume.

This is the sort of book that is needed for students of the missionary movement seeking an introduction to it, whether in private study, in voluntary classes, or in college and seminary classes. We have some such works in English but none covering the whole field. The Southern Baptist Education Society has such a work under contemplation and two teachers have been asked to prepare it as soon as possible.

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The Mind of the Early Converts. By Campbell N. Moody, M. A., author of "The Heathen Heart," etc. Hodder and Stoughton, London; George H. Doran Company, New York. XI, 310 pp. 15 shillings.

One of the gratifying features of the recent study of missions is the turning of attention in a really serious way to the practices and problems of the Apostles and early Christians. This is of interest not alone because of its bearing on present day theory and practice in missions, but also because of its probable influence on ecclesiastical and doctrinal movements in our time. When Allen (*Missionary Methods, St. Paul's and Ours*) went into this subject he discovered some facts that must be quite shocking to certain groups of his fellow churchmen, facts furthermore than are of the most intimate significance for the conduct of missionary work on several of the more advanced fields of modern missions. From an entirely different angle Mr. Moody