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of rare spiritual insight and he has a fine theme in the great Apostle to the Gentiles. He handles it with his accustomed skill.

Side-Lights on the Epistle to the Philippians. Compiled by Charles G. Baskerville, M.A. James Nisbet & Co., London, 1914. 94 pp. 1s. 6d. net.

Canon Baskerville has given in this neat little volume suggestive and helpful illustrations of Paul's beautiful words to the Philippians. It is not a commentary, but just what the title implies.

II. THEOLOGY AND APOLOGETICS.

The Truth of Christianity: Being an Examination of the More Important Arguments for and against Believing in that Religion. Compiled from various sources by Lt.-Col. W. H. Turton, D.S.O., Late Royal Engineers. Eighth Edition; thirtieth thousand (carefully revised throughout). New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 1913. 636 pp. \$1.25 net.

The wide and accurate knowledge, the clear and forceful statement, the frank and courteous manner of this work must largely account for its continued popularity. It is a notable fact that this work by a layman has longer and more widely commanded public attention than most apologetic treatises. It is now nearly twenty years since its first appearance. Its translation into Japanese, in 1910, is to be noted; and one would suggest that it would be well if it could be put into Spanish and Portuguese for use in South America where the problems of skepticism so well met in this work are acute just as they are in Japan. This edition takes account of some of the more recent arguments of the rationalists.

W. O. CARVER.

The Proof of God. By Harold Begbie, Author of Twice Born Men. New York: Fleming H. Revell Company, 1914. 159 pp. 75c net.

Surprising as it may seem, Mr. Begbie is at his best here. He has brought us no new "proof of God" but has brought the old proofs in a remarkably, fresh, modern and convincing way. He has sought to take his argument out of the realm of abstract reasoning and humanize it by presenting it in the form of a discussion partly direct and partly by correspondence between himself and a wealthy political friend who is a Member of Parliament, a smart, dogmatic, agnostic and a social aristocrat. The practical and social significance of belief in God are kept forward by a shrewd method of indirect reference as skilful as anything in the work. The sometimes too vigorous imagination of Mr. Begbie is in this work properly restrained and contributes greatly to the vivid reality of the whole discussion. It is much to my liking, as I am the more glad to say, since I am not always able to approve of the author.

W. O. CARVER.

The Incomparable Christ. By Calvin Weiss Laufer. The Abingdon Press, New York and Cincinnati, 1914. 228 pp. \$1.00 net.

There is a robustness and vigor of conviction, a constructive and vital grasp of the significance of Jesus, which make this book excellent reading. The author portrays the Christ of history and the Christ of experience. With him there is no faltering note in reference to Christ in either aspect. The author in fourteen chapters, discusses such vital themes as Christ in Man's Religious Life, Christ's Consciousness of Himself, The Incarnation, The Atonement, Christ's Spiritual Supremacy, and other related themes. The discussion is in a clear, flowing style, free from technical theological terms, popular in aim and well calculated to stimulate faith in the great verities of the Christian religion.

E. Y. MULLINS.

Paul's Doctrine of Redemption. By Henry Beach Carré. The Macmillan Co., New York, 1914. 175 pp. \$1.85 net.

"Man's salvation is a chapter of cosmical history, as it unfolded itself to the dualism of Paul." This sentence from the

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