

Studies in Recent Adventism. By Henry C. Sheldon, Professor in Boston University. The Abingdon Press, New York and Cincinnati, 1915. 160 pp., 50 cts. net.

With his usual dignity, cleverness, discrimination and kindly vigor Dr. Sheldon has discussed this subject in six brief chapters. He opposes all Adventist schemes and points out their weaknesses. Such a discussion was needed and will do good.

Selections from the Scottish Philosophy of Common Sense. Edited, with an Introduction, by G. A. Johnston, M.A., Lecturer in Moral Philosophy in the University of Glasgow. Chicago, 1915. The Open Court Publishing Company. VII-[-267 pp., \$1.25.

After a brief, pertinent and appropriate historical and descriptive introduction the Editor sets forth the Common Sense Philosophy in carefully analyzed selections from the writings of Reid, Ferguson, Beattie and Stewart. Very properly Reid provides the major part of the work. A restudy of this Scottish Philosophy is an important factor in understanding and appraising of the current Realism which has strong advocacy in some quarters. This summary will afford an easy review of that philosophy.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS.

Paradigms and Exercises in Syriac Grammar. By Theodore H. Robinson, M.A., B.D., Professor of Hebrew and Syriac in Serampore College. Oxford: The Clarendon Press, 1915. 148 pp. 5s.

Prof. Robinson has prepared an admirable introductory book for the study of Syriac. He does not take for granted too much knowledge of Semitic on the part of the student but gives full paradigms and detailed explanations of the changes in forms. Of the three scripts in which Syriac is written and printed, he has chosen to use only the Maronite forms of the letters.

Theological students who pay proper attention to their Hebrew can quickly add a working knowledge of Aramaic and Syriac. Arabic and Assyrian require much more time and labor.

Prof. Robinson has given exercises for drill in translating from Syriac into English and from English into Syriac. A brief vocabulary is also added for the convenience of the student. This book will greatly smooth the way of the beginner in Syriac.

JOHN R. SAMPEY.

The Communion Choir: Easy Anthems for the Lord's Supper and the Regular Worship. By Carrie B. Adams. Cincinnati, 1915. The Standard Publishing Company. 60 cts. postpaid.

There are two-score of these anthems, rightly described in the sub-title as "easy." They are fitting in words and music. Some of the finest consecration hymns supply the words for some of them. Without showing unusual ability this volume is in good taste and will prove useful.

Russia's Gift to the World. By J. W. Mackail, New York and London, 1915. Hodder & Stoughton [George H. Doran Company]. 48 pp., paper 25 cts. net.

A score of English scholars have collaborated in this brief work to tell specifically what Russia has done and is doing in the various departments of culture and progress. It makes an interesting story that will doubtless also be surprising to many, if not most, readers.

Tracts have been received as follows:

Napoleon's Argument for the Divinity of Christ. Charles C. Cook, New York, 12 pp.

The diaconate. F. L. Wilkins, D.D., American Baptist Publication Society. 20 pp., 5 cents net.

Ex-Mayor-of-Rome Nathan and the Pope. W. Russell Collins, New York. 30 pp. 10 cts.

Rome in Scripture and History. F. C. Jennings. Charles C. Cook, New York. 42 pp. 10 cts.

Is Rome Really the Oldest Church, or Is She Merely an Old Church? Charles C. Cook; author and publisher, New York. 11 pp. 2 cts.

Seventh Day Adventism—A False System. William Sickles. Charles C. Cook, New York. 45 pp. 10 cts.

That Blessed Hope. Rev. John K. Reed. Charles C. Cook, New York. 47 pp. 10 cts.