

elders in Numbers xi. 25ff, the inspiration was ad hoc and worthy of special mention.

We shall look forward to the further publication promised by Dr. Johnson, and thank him for this interesting contribution to the fascinating subject of the relation between prophet and priest in Israel's religion.

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Shorter Notices.

The Drama of the Cross, by C. Stanley Herbert, B.D.,
(Independent Press, 5s.)

These brief studies of the men and women who as His friends or His enemies were involved in the drama of Christ's Cross have been written by the minister of Lyndhurst Road Congregational Church, Hampstead. They are marked by frequent distinction of phrase, as in the striking chapter headings, by acute psychological and spiritual insight, and by a profoundly religious spirit. Mr. Herbert makes good use of his wide reading, and enriches his pages by many illuminating and beautiful quotations. The book has much suggestive material for the preacher. The slighting reference to oratory on page 45 seems to be out of place since Mr. Churchill stirred Britain with his great speeches at the time of Dunkirk. One or two misprints should be attended to: "cirences" on p. 43 should be "circenses," "J. H. Morrison" on p. 71 should be "G. H. Morrison", and a letter has been missed out of "awakening" on p. 121.

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Our Footing on the Heights, by Geoffrey R. King (The Uplift Press, 2s.)

This unpretentious booklet contains twelve sermons delivered by the Rev. Geoffrey King in East London during the past stressful two or three years. They are well worthy of issue in this more permanent form. Mr. King has gifts as a preacher and evangelist which are bringing him increasing recognition far beyond his own church and denomination. These sermons, printed as delivered, reveal not only his homiletic skill, but also convey to the reader a refreshing impression of eagerness, sincerity and strong faith. Royalties are to be devoted to the fund for the rebuilding of the East London Tabernacle.

Things Most Surely Believed, Addresses delivered at the Annual Assembly, 1944. (Kingsgate Press, 2s. 6d.)

Not for twenty years have the addresses delivered at the Baptist Assembly been issued in printed form. Not always are they worthy of such preservation. This volume, however, may be compared fitly and very instructively with the earlier one, *The Preaching of Christ*, which came from Dr. Glover's Cardiff Assembly. Dr. Dakin is the one speaker who appeared in 1924 and again in 1944. This year's programme was symptomatic of the revived theological approach felt necessary today, and it is interesting that it was a 'lay' President who planned this series of strong and meaty addresses concerning (1) God and His purpose, (2) Man and his goal, and (3) Christ and His Church. To them are added Mr. Price's own address 'Concerning the Ministry', Mr. Willis Humphrey's 'charge' at the Recognition Service, and Dr. Rowley's Missionary Sermon. Together, they make a stimulating and challenging apologetic for Christian faith and practice in the modern world, worthy of study by all Baptists and by those outside their ranks.

Younger Voices. Sermons on the World Task of the Church in the New Age. Edited by Graham W. Hughes. (Carey Press, 5s.)

There are here printed twenty-four missionary sermons by Baptist ministers, all of whom began their work in 1930 or after. The editor chose his team skilfully so that all the Baptist Colleges of England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland are represented, together with Cheshunt College, Cambridge. There is thus given an interesting cross section of the preaching of the younger men of the denomination, for in style and content it is not likely to be any less typical because most of these sermons were obviously prepared during the ter-jubilee celebrations of the Baptist Missionary Society. There is inevitably some unevenness and there are some unexpected disappointments. The sermons that read best were probably not the most effective when they were preached. It is worth noting how frequently the Archbishop of Canterbury is quoted. There is relatively little exposition of scripture and a rather too facile and romantic treatment of the World Church. Only two Old Testament texts were chosen. Nevertheless, this is on the whole a heartening volume. It bears the marks of conviction and enthusiasm. The Carey Press is to be congratulated on maintaining its usual high standard of book production. The photographs of the contributors are an attractive addition to the text, though one or two of the preachers might with advantage have sent in better likenesses.