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THE APOSTLES' CREED.

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I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead;

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

For the title borne by this document there was early invented a brilliant justification. The twelve apostles, it was believed, after the ascension of their Lord but before any of them had gone forth to evangelize the world, met at Jerusalem and, by a common impulse or inspiration, uttered in succession the twelve articles of which, it was assumed, the Apostles' Creed was composed. Certain of those by whom this report was transmitted from generation to generation went so far as to assign to each apostle the exact words which had issued from his

OUTLINES OF MISSIONARY HISTORY: *By Alfred DeWitt Mason, D. D.*
Lecturer on the History of Missions in Union Missionary Training
Institute, Brooklyn, New York. Price, \$1.50 net. George H. Doran
Company, New York.

The author tells us that "This book has grown out of a necessity;" that "for some years past it has been the annual privilege of the writer to conduct a class of students through a short course in the History of Missions;" that "his endeavor has been to acquaint them sufficiently with the topic to induce a further interest in it without burdening the memory with a mass of dates, names and incidents which might soon be forgotten;" that he could not find a suitable text book; and that "in this book the attempt has been made to so combine a reasonable fulness of detail with some vividness of description and with the personal touch which accompanies a biographical treatment of the topic that not only the student but the general reader may be led to pursue the subject further as time and opportunity may permit."

We have read the book from start to finish with not a little interest. It has many stimulating paragraphs. It has many paragraphs and some sections which could be used with good effect in missionary talks. It deserves a place in the study of many a pastor and stimulator of mission work. There are however, many inaccurately given dates. There are typographical errors. The outline of the developing attitude of the church toward missions can hardly be said to be definitely and adequately given. Other things might be truly said of the book showing defects. Nevertheless it is one of the more helpful of the many books coming out on its general subject. Particularly, in the views of the work which have been going recently in the several greater mission fields, will the busy pastor find bits of information sugarcoated which he can use with good effect upon his people.

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THE WORLD WORK OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: *By David McConaughy.* Pp., 267. Price, 50 cents. Philadelphia, The Presbyterian Board of Publication and Sabbath School Work, 1912.

This book is intended especially for use within the pale of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. It is a proposal course of Mission Study and training for church officers and workers; designed especially for members of church missionary committees, brotherhoods, woman's missionary societies, young people's societies, and councils of religious education within the churches of that denomination.

The work consists of two parts. Part first, sets forth the missionary enterprise of the church; describes the mission of the