

STORIES FROM HOLY WRIT. By Helen Waddell. (Constable; 8s.6d.)

In this little book the learned author of *Mediaeval Latin Lyrics* has essayed the far harder task of interesting young people in serious topics. She has succeeded right well, to judge by the reaction of some of the reviewer's younger hopefuls. The stories were first written for a small missionary magazine between the years 1914 and 1920 and the first few bear some slight traces of the style of writing or speaking considered suitable in those days for expounding the Scriptures to those of tender years. The greater part of the book, however, is written in a manner at once dignified, simple and attractive. Both those who teach religion and those who desire matter for prayer and meditation should read this book.

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PAUL OF TARSUS. Compiled by John Arendzen, D.D., Ph.D. (Grail Publications.)

The compiler has succeeded in making St Paul speak for himself; however, the 'vivid directness of the story' is sometimes rather too manifest: thus 23 times do we read 'I' on the first page. At the foot of p. 7 read 'Antioch' for Derbe. For the rest, we can but welcome a publication of this sort. May it lead more Catholics to read Acts and Epistles for themselves, and savour the Word of God as given to the Church by God. So may they realise the treasures of doctrine bequeathed by him who was a traveller with a difference.

ROLAND POTTER, O.P.

DIE NEUE PSALMENÜBERSETZUNG. By Arthur Allgeier. (Herder, Freiburg, 1949; Dm. 9.80.)

It would ill become an English reviewer to do more than welcome this German translation of the new Latin psalter. The translation has been done in sections by Heinrich Schneider, Alfons Deissler, and Othmar Heggelbacher, with Dr Allgeier advising and editing, providing also an introduction and a list of new phrases in Latin and German side by side with the old expressions. It will undoubtedly be of the greatest value to students, but—in spite of its handsome appearance—one could wish that it had been cheaper.

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DIE RELIGIONEN DER MENSCHHEIT. By Anton Anwander. (Herder, Freiburg, 1949; Dm. 16.)

This is an excellent introduction to the comparative study of religion for the general reader. Finely produced, it gives within inevitably limited space a very detailed account of the great religions of the world, adding a wide selection of illustrative texts, a ten-page critical bibliography, as well as numerous pictures and a map.

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FAIR AS THE MOON. By Father M. Oliver, O.Cist.R. (Gill, Dublin.)

I'm afraid this book is to me just another instance of the truth of what I have already said about another book on the subject of