

favour among the 'nombreuses personnalités de l'aile droite anglicane' whom the author has in mind, but there will be many—non-Catholic as well as Catholic, abroad as well as in England—who will not follow him in his enthusiastic view of the import of the Malines talks.

H.K.

FROM PAUL TO PIUS. By Teresa Lloyd. (Douglas Organ; 7s.6d.)

The stories of thirty-two heroes of Christianity, most of them canonised, re-told for children. Although the style is simple Miss Lloyd manages to 'get across' the true nature of sanctity, and with the balance kept between the natural and the supernatural, the ordinary and the extraordinary, her saints appear as real people, not pious caricatures. The illustrations are in a like spirit, as for example, St Teresa and her nuns huddled up in a cart which jolts over a boulder-strewn road.

The practice of mentioning a date from secular history so as to set the story against the background of what is learnt from other sources might perhaps be adopted even more frequently.

The publishers recommend this book as a reader for Catholic schools. It is to be hoped that it will be so used.

N.B.O.

DRAW NEAR TO GOD. A Book of Meditations. By D. H. Southgate. (Cumberlege and Oxford University Press; 6s.)

It is easy to be attracted by this little book of meditations although from a Catholic view-point much of it is inadequate, e.g. the meditations on Pentecost and Confession. It is strange too to find so much apologetic in the parts of the meditations entitled 'Adoration'. The original part of the book consists in the method. 'Intercession is the act in which God bestows on us the joy of creative co-operation with him.' This co-operation consists in 'receiving rather than asking'. As one thinks of Christ one 'lives for a while under his influence', and his transforming power can then meet the needs for which one prays. Therefore as one thinks of Christ, one should associate with the thought of him the thought of those persons who are in need of his presence (this is called communion) and thus intercessory prayer becomes the privilege of bringing others into contact with Christ, and thus is fulfilled the author's ambition of emphasising 'the need of deeper meditation in intercession and fuller intercession in meditation'.

TERENCE TANNER.

CHRISTIANITY AND THE MODERN WORLD VIEW. By H. A. Hodges. (S.C.M. Press; 2s.6d.)

There is a tension today, not precisely between religion and science, but between the Christian outlook and that formed by habits of scientific thinking. Professor Hodges therefore thinks it