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the book right up to date, and this seems to have been successfully achieved, subject to a further passage of time. There are therefore a few canonisations and beatifications since the third edition in 1934 that do not appear: e.g. St Margaret of Hungary, Bd Mary Goretti, Bd Benildus. And the score of Russian saints whose feasts were recognised for Russian Catholics some years ago have been overlooked, including so outstanding a name as St Sergius of Radonezh. It seems a pity that Clement of Alexandria should be listed as a saint, since his name was deliberately removed from the Roman Martyrology.

The book is excellently and clearly arranged. Each entry is furnished with references to easily available works for further information, and some of these are annotated in a list, e.g. Baudot's Dictionnaire d'Hagiographie (1925), 'Too conservative'. But a warning should have been given about Les Petits Bollandistes (that misnamed work); and the numerous references to the Burns, Oates Dictionary of the Saints ('Att.') should rather have been to the Thurston-Attwater edition of Butler's Lives', from which that dictionary was compiled. A most useful feature is a daily calendar of the

saints named, in chronological order.

These points are relatively unimportant, and the anonymous monks responsible for this Book of Saints must be warmly congratulated and thanked for a new edition of a valuable work of reference that is scholarly and critical without being 'wild'.

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CALENDAR IN RIME. By Ethel King. (Falcon Publishing Co.)

In this little book of verse Miss King reveals the common things of life with such significance that one feels, as she progresses in the spiritual life she will be able to interpret the beauty of those things of the spirit which are more real than anything which can be tested by the senses. Of such things Miss King shows her awareness in The Curious Awakening, Nuns in the Subway, A Candle at the Shrine, and, in a lesser degree, in one of the most charming of her poems, An Old School Teacher.

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PRIESTHOOD AND THE PASTORAL OFFICE is the subject of the latest Supplement of La Vie Spirituelle (Blackfriars Publications; 2s. 6d.). The principal article is a critical study by Père A.-M. Henry of Canon Masure's Prêtres diocésains, in which a novel approach to the theology of the priesthood is argued. For Canon Masure the priesthood of the presbyter is only a participation in the priesthood of the bishop. It is to be measured, not by an external rite (the power to offer