ference, he was made editor of *The Christian Advocate*, which is the general organ of the church. The volume is an intelligent and suggestive appreciation of the country and the people and of the modern forces at work there, both in the Christian and industrial world, and which are creating the "new era."

The Hills of Freedom. By Joseph Sharts. New York: Doubleday, Page & Co. \$1.50.

The scene of this story is laid in a village on the south bank of the Ohio River, at the close of the Mexican War, and when the abolitionists were beginning to operate their "underground railroad" for the rescue of slaves. It is cast in the form of a comedy, in which the author caricatures irascible old age, love and youth with much clever wit. The publishers have been at some pains to make the book attractive and the illustrations by S. J. Dudley are as unique as they are suggestive.

Christianity as Taught by Christ. By H. S. Bradley, D.D. New York: Fleming H. Revell Co.

These sermons were delivered by a Southern preacher, in the very heart of the dogmatic South. They proclaim some of the most advanced views of the higher critics. They are astonishingly free from theological restraint or the ear marks of any creed, and yet the author has never been tried for heresy. On the contrary, he is the most popular preacher in his section, except with the watch dogs of its doctrines. Dr. Bradley is well equipped in scientific knowledge and religious scholarship to maintain his advanced position; and these sermons created more interest than any delivered in the South for many years because the author has succeeded in presenting the teachings of Jesus with a sort of secular sincerity. His style is not marked by any particular literary excellence. The sentences do not always lie down decorously upon the page, charged as they are with the informal vitality of a young man's mind and spirit who cares for the truth with a natural human heartiness, and who without the least shadow of irreverence is happily emancipated from purely theological conventions.

A New Era in Old Mexico. By G. B. Winton. Nashville, Tenn.; Dallas, Tex.: Smith & Lamar. \$1.00.

Dr. Winton was prominently connected for a number of years with the mission work of the Southern Methodist Church in Mexico, but at the last General Con-