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GOD'S CIRCLE

God flashed His pow'r into the void,
And thus His bidding ran—
"Be thou through curve on curve employed
Of great'ning Life, til man,
Last-born, with clear will unalloyed,
Turn Life where Life began."

In clear-drawn round the line was steered
Till man's pow'r seized its sway:
Through will narated and spirit seared
Was checked the circling way;
And Life fulfilled no perfect-sphered,
God-born, God-ended, way.

God's pow'r flashed forth once more, and lo!
Whence Life had first begun
Life o'er the gap itself did throw
To Life whose sweep was done:
God the cleft circle rounded so—
Man God-grasped by God's Son.

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AN APPRECIATION

By MARCUS DODS, D.D.

Not twice in a generation does one meet with so valuable an analysis of experimental religion as Mr. Henry Clark gives us in his "Philosophy of Christian Experience." Of Mr. Clark we know nothing more than what is told us by the title-page and the book itself. Indeed, we took up his book with the fear that we were asked to read still another faddist's special distortion of the facts of Christian experience, or his cranky explanation of them. What we actually find is a very thorough, profound, and living treatment of the hackneyed themes of "Conversion," "God's Fatherhood," "Repentance," and the other essentials of religious experience. His account of human nature as it is, of man's need of religion, and of Christ as the life-giver are as fresh as if no one had ever written of religion before. But above all else is his treatment of the Fatherhood of God impressive and remarkable. Much as has in recent years been written upon this subject, we can point to nothing which more decisively penetrates to the heart of the matter. Those who seek some freshening of their religious life, some help that touches not the mere outworks but its real seat and essence, would do well to consult "The Philosophy of Christian Experience" by Henry W. Clark.—*British Weekly*.

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