

3. *Present to Heal*, by WALTER FANCUTT, The Mission to Lepers, 7 Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C.1, 104 pp., 24 illustrations and 2 maps, 3s 11d post free.

This is a fascinating account of the work of the Mission in Korea, which has cultural and historical background of 4,000 years. It is physically beautiful but has not escaped a considerable prevalence of leprosy amongst the population. The foundations of modern leprosy work were laid in 1907, and the author recounts various steps in the growth of the campaign, and gives details of present-day hospital and clinical work. This work has high standards and is wide open to the influence of PROFESSOR PAUL BRAND in the surgical aspect, so that there are facilities for reconstructive surgery in the Mission's centre at Taegu. Korea leprosy patients have a far greater tendency to facial paralysis and eye diseases than patients in other parts of the world. The author discusses the use of modern drugs, and DR. G. WILSON of Taegu, reports that early cases can be cured with comparative ease under modern drug therapy. Such cases are best available in dispensary work, but many leprosy patients pass through periods of depression and despair, especially those who come late, but even for them there is hope of arrest of the disease and function improvement of deformities. The work has brought hope to all, and healing to very many, and the Church has grown and become rooted perhaps as a natural result of the witness provided by the leprosy work.