

CHRONOLOGICAL TABLE OF THE BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT. By Fr Sebastiano Pagano, O.M.I. (University Seminary, Ottawa, Canada; n.p.)

This is a most ingenious table, a lithographed typescript covering ten pages on a single folded sheet of stout paper, with a continuous date-line beginning in 1370 (Ugarit, etc.) and ending with the birth of Christ. The main periods and reigns are clearly marked at the top, and the various writings of the old testament are placed beneath, showing graphically their situation on the chronological background. Here are some examples of placings. The early epics belong to the fourteenth, thirteenth and twelfth centuries. J is placed in Solomon's time ('uses earlier oral and written traditions'), E in the eighth century and P in the exilic period. The first recension of Deuteronomy is placed with Hezekiah, and the Pentateuch is edited in the fifth century. Job is in the fifth century, as also Obadiah, and Joel is about 400. Zechariah 9-14 is placed in the fourth century, Daniel in the second and Wisdom about 50 B.C. While not everyone will agree with all these datings (for no such table could please everyone), the plan does represent fairly general opinion today (Catholic and non-Catholic alike) and provides a useful working hypothesis (with one's own reservations). Its clarity will make it a most useful instrument for any day-to-day teacher of Scripture.

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AN OUTLINE OF ANGLO-AMERICAN BIBLE HISTORY. By Edgar Newgass. (Batsford; 25s.)

A pleasantly produced but slight book (forty-eight pages of text, followed by seventeen plates of title-pages), purporting to tell as a simple story the growth of the protestant Bible in England and America. The story is told from Tyndale to King James, and then moves to America until the Revised version of 1881. A few modern versions are then mentioned, including Knox, and here a few lines are rather inaccurately given about Douay. There are a few samples of texts, old and new, and a sketched bibliography. The author says on page 37 that each translation has been 'a labour of love', and the same may certainly be said of his own book.

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ON THE ETERNAL IN MAN. By Max Scheler. (S.C.M. Press; 63s.)

This new addition to *The Library of Philosophy and Theology* more than justifies its considerable expense. It consists of five sections, of which the third is by far the longest and most important. The first