

world, but this again is surely to divide the Law against itself. There are occasions when our Lord himself uses force, and others when He refuses to do so: in both cases He is obeying the law of love. Our reaction to evil must always be determined not by justice alone, but by charity; but there are times when charity will bid us resist the evil with force. The Christian who shares in Christ's work in the world may be called up to share either in the strange or in the proper work; but which, in fact, it is to be in any given case must depend not on himself, but on others: for him there is only the one law, the law of charity—he cannot relegate a part of life *a priori*, to the rule of justice without charity, and when in fact the stern office of justice is imposed upon him it must still be a justice determined and motivated by charity.

The reference to the *Summa* on p. 42, n.1, should read Q. 100: that on p. 56, n.4, should read A.2.

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DARK SYMPHONY. By Elizabeth Laura Adams. (Sheed and Ward; 6s.)

This book is at once charming and heartrending. Miss Adams, an American negress, tells the story of her Californian childhood, of kind but strictly parents, of the Methodist services which she attended, and of her eventual reception to the Church. The race problem of coloured and white is the main pre-occupation of "Dark Symphony"; the author deals with it in charity and justice. As we read our hearts go out to Elizabeth Laura Adams and her race and there springs up a desire to understand, to pray and to love. We hope this delightful book will be widely read. It should do untold good.

G. B.

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