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JOHN R. COMMONS. **SOCIAL REFORM AND THE CHURCH.** With an Introduction by Richard T. Ely.

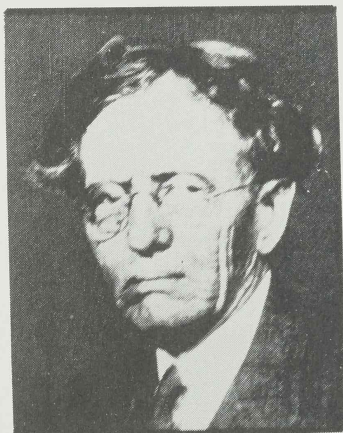
This collection of essays presents an important but little-known phase of Commons's work — his interest in Christian Socialism. In urging political and social reforms from an economic standpoint, Commons discusses the Christian minister and sociology, the Church and the problem of poverty, the educated man in politics, temperance reform and municipal monopolies.

1894/1967

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RICHARD T. ELY. **SOCIAL ASPECTS OF CHRISTIANITY.** And Other Essays.

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"The first influential effort on the part of a prominent American to state 'the social side of the Church's mission' was Professor Ely's book *Social Aspects of Christianity*," C. H. Hopkins, *The Rise of the Social Gospel in American Protestantism 1865-1915*, p. 106.

***Harvard Guide*, p. 442.

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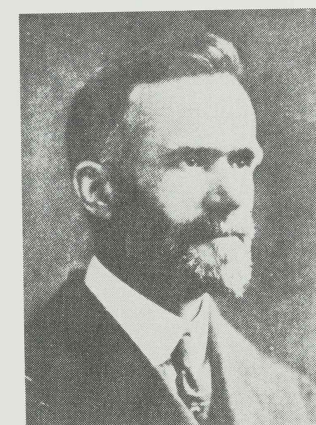
Rainsford, rector of St. George's Church, situated near the edge of a congested tenement neighborhood in New York City, was an important advocate of evangelical work among the poor and an early force for intensified urban missionary efforts.

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****Harvard Guide**, p. 476.

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\$15.00

CHARLES E. RAVEN. **CHRISTIAN SOCIALISM 1848-1854.**

This is the standard history of one of the most vital movements for reform in Anglo-American history.

****Williams, II**, p. 563 "the author, enthusiastic, widely read in the sources, relates the movement to earlier and contemporary movements and estimates its achievements."

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"described the change in religious activity 'from the individualistic to the social type' — a transition being reflected in a new church architecture, 'the application of religion to everyday life, a strengthened hold of the churches on the masses, the drawing together of all the churches in closer relations, and their general beneficent influence on civilization." Hopkins, *op. cit.*, p. 261.

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