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## Well Worth Reading.

The Legend of Aleister Crowley," by P. R. Stephenson (Mandrake Press); 2/6.

Here we have set down probably for the first time a study of the documentary evidence relating to the campaign of personal vilification against that most curious of modern mystics Aleister Crowley.

The author gives a thumb-nail sketch of this extraordinary personality and his influence on modern thought, and he has collected and collated Press and private opinions in a singularly complete manner.

Most of the critical storm, it will be remembered, arose as a result of the publication of "The Diary of a Drug Fiend," and was taken up by the type of critic who could never see any good in D. H. Lawrence.

Mr. Stephenson challenges the authenticity of the newspaper attacks on Crowley without necessarily associating himself with the cults of the mystic.