

the uncharted country of fantasy life, and, like all explorers, he frequently had to turn in his tracks in order to make progress. Unfortunately most accounts have confused Freud's ideas by interspersing their authors' own extensions of his theories. Dr. Stafford-Clark avoids that error. He expounds Freud's work but does not elaborate it. He admires but does not adulate. The students, for whom he writes, will emerge from reading this book with a clear idea of what Freud really meant. The title of the book, one of a series of "What They Really Said," is in some ways a misnomer. This is not just a collection of selected quotations. More than half the text is an explanation of their mean-

ing. Readers, too, will be encouraged to make further first-hand journeys among Freud's works.

These have been Dr. Stafford-Clark's aims and he has succeeded admirably. Many readers will be very grateful to him. He has maintained the intense self-discipline of keeping his own views on Freud's ideas very much in the background. His is essentially an expository, not a critical commentary. Freud emerges in this volume not as a scientist but as a thinker and philosopher. In the eyes of another recent writer this is a diminution which should reduce Freud's stature. In *Sigmund the Unserene* the erudite Dr. Percival Bailey argues Freud's

failure to establish psychoanalysis as a science, as a philosophy, or as an acceptable faith. It is interesting and instructive to read these two books together. Dr. Stafford-Clark tells British students what Freud's teachings were. Dr. Bailey is telling American students what little he thinks they amount to. I guess Dr. Stafford-Clark would have been less harsh; but then he would not feel he had to preach against the converted.

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