

*A book review by Aleister Crowley from the September 1917 edition of The International.*

***The Crimes of Charity*** by K. Bercovici. Alfred A. Knopf, 1917.

The Crimes of Charity is one of the most interesting books of the season. It is also one of the most heart-rending. The author has not attacked persons; he has confined himself to exposing the effects of wrong principles. Nevertheless his book has been boycotted by many of the libraries. The book is splendidly written. The author has the great gift of enabling the reader to visualize the scenes described without effort. Merely as an artistic production, this book ranks extremely high. Each section is a perfect little vignette of humanity. It must not be missed by anyone who wishes to qualify for the Abou Ben Adhem class.