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*Lex Mosaica ; or, The Law of Moses and the Higher Criticism.* Edited by R. VALPY FRENCH, D.C.L., etc. Pp. 652. Eyre and Spottiswoode.

THIS important work is a thorough exposition of the crude and arbitrary guesses of the theoretical school of criticism, and contains a powerful defence of the traditional view.

The preface is by the late Lord Arthur Hervey, Bishop of Bath and Wells.

Professor Sayce writes on the Archæological Witness to the Literary Activity of the Mosaic Age ; Professor Rawlinson on Moses as the Substantial Author of the Levitical Code of Laws ; Professor Douglas on the Originality of the Deuteronomical Code ; Canon Girdlestone on the Period of Joshua ; Dr. Valpy French on that of the Judges ; Mr. Lias on Samuel and Saul ; Dr. Watson on that of David and Solomon ; Dr. Sharpe on the Northern Kingdom ; Dr. Stuart, of Aberdeen, on the Southern Kingdom ; Professor Stanley Leathes on the Eighth Century ; Dr. Sinker on the Seventh Century ; Mr. Spencer on Ezekiel and the Priestly School ; Dr. Watts, of Belfast, on the Post-Exodic Period ; while a summary of the whole is given by Principal Wace.

A sentence may be quoted from Professor Watts : "It is difficult in reviewing these charges against the sacred record and its authors to avoid the impression—an impression ever deepening the more thoroughly the charges are investigated—that the critics, instead of analyzing the facts with which they profess to deal, and deducing from the analysis their theories, entered upon their task under the bias of foregone conclusions, to which the facts must be made to conform."

The work is a valuable handbook of this momentous controversy ; and there can be little doubt as to which side sound reason inclines.

*Analytical Concordance of the Bible.* By Dr. ROBERT YOUNG. Sixth edition. Pp. 1186. Price, cloth, 24s. ; half-morocco, 28s. ; morocco, 40s., etc. Edinburgh : Geo. Adam, Young and Co.

This magnificent work represents herculean labour and proved scholarship. Valuable as Cruden's work was, Dr. Young's far surpasses it. The words are arranged according to the original which they represent in Hebrew or Greek, which is an immense help to those unacquainted with Hebrew and Greek. The Hebrew and Greek words are printed in the original characters at the head, and with the pronunciation in English letters. The proper and geographical names take their alphabetical place, with the latest information, and are not relegated to a separate portion.

At the close of the work are about one hundred closely-printed pages containing the most recent results of Eastern investigation in connection with the Bible, as well as some scholarly and useful maps in connection with the manuscript. There are also a Hebrew and English Lexicon to the Old Testament, and one in Greek and English to the New. No clerical library can be considered complete without this admirable concordance ; and there could not be a better present to clergymen, superintendents, and teachers.

*The Expository Times.* Vol. V., 1893-94. Pp. 568. Edinburgh : T. and T. Clark.

This volume is essential to an understanding of current modern theology. In it is concentrated the opinions of the most eminent theologians of the day.

*In Leisure Time.* By W. S. MAVOR. Elliot Stock.

The author of this booklet of verse, a popular physician at Cheshunt, in Hertfordshire, writes with a certain charming grace and lightness of touch. Such trifles as "Inversion" and "The Seasons" are the product of a refined and delicate singer. Dr. Mavor appears at his best in "Zalencus," which he rightly describes as

Culled from the pagan history of old ;  
A simple narrative ; as simply told.

His "Odes to the Muses" will not appeal, we imagine, to the "man in the street," but the general reader will find much that strikes home in "Alas," "Gratitude," and "On this Picture." The religious tone of many of the poems is very high.

*Whispers from the Throne.* By WINIFRED A. IVERSON. Elliot Stock.

This charming volume of devotional poetry contains many pieces of real beauty. The children's poems, "An Invitation," "Lord Jesus and the Children," and "Room for Jesus" are full of a tender simplicity which is, perhaps, the prevailing note of the collection. Some of the phrases in the longer and more ambitious poems are very striking, though it is when singing of the "shadows" which have fallen on the lives of devout Christians that the writer is at her best. "Shadows," "From Dark to Light," and "I know" are instances of this.

*A Flat-iron for a Farthing.* By Mrs. EWING. S.P.C.K. Pp. 282.

*Old-Fashioned Fairy Tales.* By Mrs. EWING. S.P.C.K. Pp. 169.

These are two additions to the cheap reproduced series of Mrs. Ewing's fascinating works.

*Elizabeth Jane Whately: Reminiscences by her Sister.* Seeley and Co. Pp. 146.

An interesting record of an interesting and most useful life and work.

*Chrissie's Endeavour.* By PANSY. Sunday School Union. Pp. 275.

This original and earnestly-written story, distinctly American in tone and language, will be read with pleasure and profit by English girls of all classes.

*Mother and Son.* Home Words Library. By EMMA MARSHALL. Price 1s. 6d. Pp. 156.

This simple and life-like story, told in Mrs. Marshall's usual attractive way, cannot be read by old or young without interest, and will be valuable either for the lending library or the Mothers' Meeting. The illustrations also are decidedly above the average.

*The Ancient British and Irish Churches.* By WILLIAM CATHCART, D.D. Pp. 347. Baptist Tract Society.

This learned book, which, from its form, contains a good many repetitions, gives the latest results of investigation on that most interesting subject, the earliest form of Christianity in these islands. Book I. deals with the Ancient Britons ; Book II. with the Ancient Irish ; Book III., Conversion of the Picts ; Book IV., The Mission of the Scots to the Anglo-Saxons ; Book V., British and Irish Presbyters and Bishops ; Book VI., Some of the Doctrines and Observances of the Ancient British and Irish Christians on Sin and Salvation, Atonement and Conversion, Justification, Life and Intercession, the Lord's Supper, and Purgatory.

Wherever any evidence is found which might make for Baptist views it is pointed out, and the evidence seems sometimes not a little strained ; but the book gives a valuable mass of interesting information.

The new numbers of the Penny Pocket Library of the S.P.C.K. are *The Legend of Montrose*, by Sir Walter Scott ; *The Pilot* and *The Spy*, by Fenimore Cooper ; *The Ice Prison* and *The Mutiny on the "Albatross,"* by Moore.