

At the Literary Table.

THE BOOKS OF THE MONTH.

THROUGH CHRIST TO GOD. BY JOSEPH AGAR BEET, D.D. (*Hodder & Stoughton*. Crown 8vo, pp. xx, 373.) This important book has reached us too late for notice this month. It must be dealt with in our next.

HORÆ EVANGELICÆ. BY THE REV. T. R. BIRKS, M.A. (*Bell*. 8vo, pp. 401. 10s. 6d.) "The hypotheses," to quote Professor Salmon for a moment, "which have been used to account for the close agreement of the Synoptic Evangelists in so much common matter are threefold. (1) The evangelists copied one from another, the work of him whom we may place first having been known to the second, and these two to the third. (2) The evangelists made use of one or more written documents which have now perished. (3) The common source was not written but oral, the very words in which apostles had first told the story of the Saviour's works having been faithfully preserved by the memory of different disciples."

Canon Birks held the first of these three hypotheses. His son and editor states his position with admirable clearness and brevity thus: "The principal points maintained are, first, that the order of the evangelists is that of our present Bibles—St. Matthew, St. Mark, St. Luke, St. John. Secondly, that each writer wrote with a reference to those that had preceded him. Thirdly, that from a careful examination of the Chronology of the Acts, approximate dates may be assigned to the several authors. And fourthly, that each writer had a special class of hearers in view, a special purpose in his composition, a special aspect of the One Life to bring into new prominence."

Canon Birks' position is not popular to-day, as his editor rightly notes. But that is no evidence that it will not be popular to-morrow. So fairly is English scholarship divided between the oral and the documentary hypotheses, and yet so irreconcilable are these two theories, that a place may any day be sought for a third, and it may easily be predicted that that can only be some modification of the late Canon Birks' view. We have already emphatically approved of the republication of the work.

EXPOSÉ DE THÉOLOGIE SYSTÉMATIQUE. PAR A. GRETILLAT. (Neuchâtel: *Attinger Frères*. 8vo, 4 vols. 1885-1892.) The last volume of Professor Gretillat's *Systematic Theology* has been issued, and a copy has reached us for review. The whole work consists of four volumes. This is the second in order of method, though the last in execution. It covers the two subjects of Apologetics and Canonicity. To say that it is the least interesting and even the least satisfactory, is not so much to disparage this volume as to exalt the other three. The subject here does not offer itself so unreservedly to Professor Gretillat's special method of exposition, nor does Professor Gretillat himself seem to find the same delight in it. His theology is that which we now recognise by the name of "Biblical." He cleaves close to the written Word. Moreover, he finds one great idea carried through the written Word, an idea that is the very spirit which informs the body of the Scripture. That idea is Salvation. Manifestly, therefore, Professor Gretillat's love—the love of his heart and soul, and strength and mind—is given to the first part of the fourth volume, which deals with Soteriology.

Professor Gretillat's book is worthy to stand beside the works of his great friend and colleague, Professor Godet. French Protestantism has not given us so strong and true a book in this department of study within the present generation, at the least.

DRYBURGH EDITION OF THE WAVERLEY NOVELS. VOL. I. WAVERLEY. (*A. & C. Black*. 8vo, pp. 498. 5s.) The great feature of this new edition is, of course, the illustrations. Each volume has been put into the hands of a capable artist who will produce a series of about ten full-page illustrations. But the difficulty must be very great. For who has ever succeeded with any of our greatest classics? Who has illustrated Bunyan, though Bunyan seems to lend himself so readily to effective illustration? The illustrations here are well conceived and well engraved. But, after all, the volume itself is the best of it. The volume is, indeed, most attractive, of handsome size, beautifully printed on excellent paper, and a very triumph of the binder's art.

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY AND MODERN THEORIES. BY REV. JOHN EVANS, B.A. (*Elliot Stock*. Crown 8vo, pp. 375. 6s.) It is quite probable that Mr. Evans' work will meet the apologetic wants of not a few among us, for these wants are exceedingly varied, and he writes with knowledge and with reverence. But he absolutely refuses to join himself to any school or party. He has no faith in the ways of the "Higher Criticism," and yet he himself criticises the story of the Fall, for example, into unhistorical allegory. His aim is to recommend the truth of the Bible to the reason of reasonable men. He sometimes reverses the process. He commends the reason of men to the Bible, and begs it to modify itself accordingly. But that was, of course, inevitable. The risk he ran was so great that the marvel is he has been so successful, that he has hurt so little and helped so much. No doubt his reverence and his knowledge have saved him. These we again name and freely accord.

REVELATION BY CHARACTER. BY ROBERT TUCK, M.A. (*Elliot Stock*. Crown 8vo, pp. 300. 5s.) "The leading idea in these studies is that every man has his own marked individuality, and his precise mission to his generation in that individuality." And Mr. Tuck adopts a simple and effective way of expressing that individuality. He chooses a single adjective for every one of his Scripture characters, and then writes out the idea which that adjective embodies. Thus, we have Righteous Abel; Patient Noah; and so forth. The device is neither profound nor far-reaching, but it may be helpful so far as it goes. We can conceive that a useful task to set children to would be to furnish them with a list of the leading men and women in the Bible, and bid them find one adjective which best described them. You should have to keep Mr. Tuck's work out of their reach, however, else the game were spoiled.

THE ANTIQUITY OF MAN. BY F. H. CAPRON. (*Elliot Stock*. 8vo, pp. 98. 5s.) Mr. Capron is not really investigating the antiquity of man. "Primitive man" would surely have described his purpose better. He is answering Mr. Samuel Laing's recent book, *Modern Science and Modern Thought*, and the point in question is the nature of primitive man. Was he a savage and a cannibal, or was he an inoffensive gardener? He

answers well, and even easily. For the war with evolution, which ought never to have begun, is now really at an end.

SOME AUSTRALIAN SERMONS. BY JOHN W. OWEN, B.A. (*Elliot Stock*. 8vo, pp. 217. 3s. 6d.) Some months ago we welcomed a volume on the First Epistle of St. Peter, sent by Mr. Owen from the far Antipodes. This volume of sermons now follows hard after it, and we welcome it also. There is earnestness in all their utterance, and it is marvelously free from dogmatism—just such a combination, as the true scholar, whose title of learner remains with him, and he alone, can give us.

THE PLACE OF MUSIC IN PUBLIC WORSHIP. BY H. C. SHUTTLEWORTH, M.A. (*Elliot Stock*. Foolscap 8vo, pp. 80. 2s.) Music in public worship—it is always coming to the front, and it never seems to come. Long ago it ought to have been a burning question among us, but lesser, feebler questions burst suddenly into a flame instead of it. Professor Shuttleworth writes with the knowledge and the reticence of long thought and experience. Let us commend the little book. You may not agree with all of it; not even, it may be, with much of it; but you will learn many things from it, and be the better of what you learn.

PLEAS AND CLAIMS FOR CHRIST. BY THE REV. H. S. HOLLAND, M.A. (*Longmans*. Crown 8vo, pp. 323. 7s. 6d.) It is coming to be recognised, with ever less reluctance, that Canon Holland is the real as well as the official successor of the late Canon Liddon. We do not look for his sermons yet as if they were indispensable to our daily life. We even criticise their too great originality and individuality, as if they were not spiritual food as Liddon's were, but only seasoning to our food. Nevertheless, we recognise the power and the stimulus, and we never fail to give an unmistakably good reception to each new volume as it appears. This is the most powerful and the most stimulating volume that Canon Holland has yet given us.

ESSAYS AND ADDRESSES. BY H. P. LIDDON, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L. (*Longmans*. Crown 8vo, pp. 212. 5s.) Two are on Buddhism, two on St. Paul, and three on Dante—seven in all. They are neither better nor worse than was

looked for. Liddon was a preacher, first of all—no one in his day and in his place excelled him as a preacher. But there have been greater essayists, and there are greater essayists among us still. So the most moving of these papers are the two on St. Paul.

THE SCHISM BETWEEN THE ORIENTAL AND WESTERN CHURCHES. BY THE REV. G. B. HOWARD, B.A. (*Longmans*. Crown 8vo, pp. 118. 3s. 6d.) The acceptance by the Western Church of the statement that the Spirit proceeds from the Son as well as from the Father, known as "the *Filioque* Clause," caused the separation between the Eastern and Western branches of the Christian Church. Mr. Howard believes that the statement, if not erroneous, is unnecessary. He writes in the interest of Catholic unity. But his book is specially valuable as a historical monograph on this subject, the fruit of patient scholarship.

THE EARLY NARRATIVES OF GENESIS. BY HERBERT EDWARD RYLE, B.D. (*Macmillan*. Crown 8vo, pp. 138. 3s.) The diligent readers of THE EXPOSITORY TIMES have already read this "Brief Introduction to the Study of Genesis," i.-xi. Yet they will not be the last to welcome it now in its new dress—that familiar blue binding which Messrs. Macmillan have made so popular.

WORDS OF COUNSEL. BY THE RIGHT REV. C. W. SANDFORD, D.D. (*Macmillan*. Crown 8vo, pp. 266. 6s.) There is a great variety of topic in these twenty-eight sermons by the Bishop of Gibraltar, and no less variety of treatment. Perhaps the variety of the place of their delivery is the cause of it all. For scarcely two have been preached from one pulpit; and their pulpits are far apart as Whitehall and Samaria. Some men would have preached the same sermon in most of these far-separated pulpits. But Dr. Sandford has an earnest message to deliver, and you can see it assumes new forms with new faces, and he will be all things to all men, that by any means he may gain some.

THEOLOGICAL ESSAYS. BY FREDERICK DENISON MAURICE, M.A. (*Macmillan*. Crown 8vo, pp. 416. 3s. 6d.) So Messrs. Macmillan have resolved to let us have the whole of Maurice's

theological works in this form. These essays need no estimate at this time of the day. Of controversy and criticism they have had their share; now we may accept them with quiet thankfulness, though we are not ignorant of their shortcomings.

PREACHERS OF THE AGE: CHRIST IS ALL. BY H. C. G. MOULE, M.A. PLAIN WORDS ON GREAT THEMES. BY J. OSWALD DYKES, M.A. (*Low*. Crown 8vo, pp. 238, 211. 3s. 6d. each.) Three things are good in all the volumes of this series, the binding, the portrait, and the bibliography. The binding is distinctly attractive, a matter which no Englishman pretends to despise; the portrait is quite beyond the average of book illustrations; and the bibliography is a most useful and welcome feature. Every writer supplies a complete list of his own publications, whether in print or out of print.

The two volumes before us are worthy of their place in the series. Principal Moule is not at his very best, Principal Dykes is. But whether at their best or not, we know now that neither of these preachers is capable of putting forth literature that we may afford to neglect. Both have a distinct message to their generation, and in these volumes we have a characteristic expression of it from both.

HADES AND BEYOND. BY DAVID WARD-LAW SCOTT. (*James Clarke & Co.* Crown 8vo, pp. 491.) Mr. Scott holds by universal restoration, and this book is written to prove it. He believes in universal restoration with all his heart, and to the fullest extent, covering in its scope the devil and all his angels. His method is a cunning one—the word is used in no evil sense, for if the thing he would commend is true, why should he not commend it through the attraction of a fictitious narrative?

"For Wisdom dealt with mortal powers,
Where truth in closest words shall fail,
When truth embodied in a tale
Shall enter in at lowly doors."

The risk, however, is the greater—and recent popular novels have shown us that it is really very great indeed—that what is not truth may thus enter in at lowly doors. But we may acquit Mr. Scott, for he is most sincere in his belief, and his fiction has not the fascination of *John Ward* or *Robert Elsmere*.

GLORIA PATRI. BY JAMES MORRIS WHITON, Ph.D. (*Clarke & Co.* Crown 8vo, pp. 162. 5s.) "Never," says Mr. Whiton, "were there keener or stronger thinkers than the Greek theologians of the fourth century, who first formulated Trinitarian thought in the creed of Nicæa. And yet the Latins of the ninth century gave an extension to the Trinitarianism of the fourth century which has been accepted by all the Western Churches. Why is it unlikely that the nineteenth century may also give the old line a new extension?" Simply because the nineteenth century is too nearly done. We know no other reason. It is even manifest on every hand that we are to have that great doctrine passed through the fire again; some say it will be the fiercest theological controversy that the sons of men have ever fought. But it cannot come till its time. When it comes, Mr. Whiton believes that for the first time in history the laity will take their share in it. So he writes for laymen here. He writes not for laymen who are perplexed, but for laymen who have no interest in the doctrine of the Trinity; and he writes so that he may win them over to take an interest and feel the responsibility that lies upon them. Many will question the wisdom of his words. But few will question the honesty of his aim or the wisdom of it. And none will deny that he accomplishes the thing he undertakes. It is impossible that an intelligent layman could fail to be interested in the conversations recorded in this work.

BOOK BY BOOK. (*Isbister.* Post 8vo, pp. 566. 7s. 6d.) Under this commendably brief title, Messrs. Isbister have republished the series of articles which were written as Introductions to the books of Scripture in Virtue's *New Illustrated Bible*. Was it wise to republish them? They are by Professors Robertson, Davidson, Dods, the Bishop of Worcester, the Dean of Gloucester, and many more not less honoured scholars; for we have named but a few of the first. Introductions by these men cannot fail to be worth having. And who will not desire to have them in this most convenient shape in place of Virtue's handsome but most unhandy volumes? Let students be well assured that there are no better introductions to be had outside the Encyclopædias.

STIRRING THE EAGLE'S NEST. BY THEODORE L. CUYLER, D.D. (*Nisbet.* Crown

8vo, pp. 317. 6s.) Dr. Cuyler is one of the best-known and certainly one of the best-loved of American preachers. His genius is more than an American genius. Like the Bible he seems to be translatable into every language. These sermons have nothing but the gospel in them. They are penetrated with a remembrance of the "old, old story"; they never venture, they probably would scorn, to pass into matters of doubtful disputation. Yet they are quick with the life of to-day. 'Tis a good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringing forth good things.

THE BIBLICAL ILLUSTRATOR. II. TIMOTHY, TITUS, PHILEMON. BY REV. JOSEPH S. EXELL, M.A. (*Nisbet.* 8vo, pp. 692. 7s. 6d.) Bulk almost beyond belief, quality beyond all praise. Though the last must be nearly come, there is no sign of a falling away.

FROM ABRAHAM TO DAVID. BY HENRY A. HARPER. (*Percival.* Foolscap 8vo, pp. 235. 2s. 6d.) The Bible story is told by a student of the Bible and the land and the people—by a *littérateur* and an artist. It is a most delightful little book to read, and the graphic, realistic illustrations are a distinct aid to the reading.

EVANGELISTIC WORK. BY ARTHUR. T. PIERSON, D.D. (*Passmore & Alabaster.* Crown 8vo, pp. 241. 2s. 6d.) Without irreverence, Dr. Pierson may say of "evangelistic work" that he speaks that he does know, and testifies that he has seen. The book is its own witness to the hot fire of experience through which this preacher of righteousness has passed in his evangelistic work. It is manifestly not made to order, but wrought upon the anvil of his own failure and success. Yet, no doubt, he is a reader; missionary lore is at his finger ends, and he freely and appropriately calls in the experience of others to confirm his own.

HOW GOD INSPIRED THE BIBLE. BY J. PATERSON SMYTH, LL.B., B.D. (Dublin: *Eason & Son.* Crown 8vo, pp. 222. 2s. 6d.) This is not an original contribution to the doctrine of Inspiration, and it is not meant to be. Mr. Smyth writes with fulness of knowledge, and in a graceful, self-effacing style, and he undoubtedly accomplishes the very thing he sets himself to do. That thing is the allaying of needless alarm in the breasts of

unscholarly but earnest men and women. There is abundant room for the book at present: it will surely work much good.

PERIODICALS AND PAMPHLETS.

Messrs. Cassell are steadily advancing with their new issue of Ellicott's *New Testament Commentary*. Part IX. (7d.) has arrived this month. Following it, here is Part I. (6d.) of the *New Technical Educator*, accompanied with a large coloured plate from the President's *fresco* in South Kensington; and Part I. (6d., a marvellous sixpenny-worth) of *Chums*, the new boys' paper.

Principal Falding of Bradford United College has issued his address, delivered at the opening of the present session, under the title, *The Christian Ministry and Modern Thought* (Bradford: Brear & Co.); and Dr. Moore has published an address, delivered at the annual meeting of the Christian Association, under the title, *Baptismal Regeneration* (Christian Commonwealth Co.) Both are notable.—*The Four Gospels and the One Saviour* is the name of a New Year's Address, quite off the usual lines, which the Rev. D. Jamison, B.A., Newtownhamilton, has written. It is most instructive (Belfast, 12 May Street).

In reference to the review in THE EXPOSITORY TIMES for November of Mr. Harrison's *The Church in Relation to Sceptics*, the author points out that he had in his mind clergymen who wished to learn how to deal with sceptics, and not infidels themselves. This should not have been forgotten. But it is a pleasure to have another opportunity of recommending the book.

AMONG RECENT SERMONS.

II.

THE notes on Bishop Lightfoot's sermons have gone further than was anticipated. They may possibly form a separate article in our next.

And now, leaving "sets" for a moment, a word of welcome must be given to Mr. Welldon's new volume of Harrow sermons. They take their title, *The Fire upon the Altar* (Percival & Co. Crown 8vo, 7s. 6d.), from the text of the first sermon: "The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go out" (Lev. vi. 13). Sermons to boys are supposed to be a species by themselves.

If it is true that the best buyers of sermons are preachers, boys' sermons have probably a smaller sale than most; for few preachers think that they have boys to preach to. They have children and they have adults; but how many preachers have realised that between these two there is a class more intelligent than children, more impressionable than men? "Sermons to boys" may some day be found as serviceable as sermons to men and women. And then they will be found most readable. It is always a practical, straightforward speech that the headmasters use. Sometimes the charge has been brought against them that they preached morality merely. It cannot be justly made against the headmaster of Harrow. Theology in the shape of dogma there is little or none. But the precept for the daily life is ever built upon Scripture teaching, very often upon the direct word and work of our Lord Himself.

Three volumes by the late Rev. Aubrey L. Moore, M.A., and issued by the same publishers, were missed in our monthly survey, and must now be mentioned here. They are—

1. *Some Aspects of Sin*. Crown 8vo, 3s. 6d. 1891.
2. *The Message of the Gospel*. Crown 8vo, 3s. 6d. 1891.
3. *From Advent to Advent*. Crown 8vo, 6s. 1891.

The first volume consists of three courses of Lent sermons; the second of addresses to candidates for ordination, together with some Oxford University sermons; and the third contains twenty-four sermons preached at the Chapel Royal, Whitehall. Aubrey Moore's introduction to not a few English readers was through his essay on "The Christian Doctrine of God" in *Lux Mundi*. Most unexpectedly, to Aubrey Moore and to others, it was a stormy, violent introduction, making some fast friends perhaps, but also many unforgiving enemies. True Christian earnestness, the sense of responsibility, was vehemently denied the writers; even their scholarship was held in question. But the author of "The Christian Doctrine of God," at least, had both these things. How absorbing his sense of the responsibility he owed to the great Taskmaker, every word of these deeply interesting sermons reveals. They differ much in respect of immediate occasion; they agree most closely in ultimate aim and urgency.

"Few persons," said the late Ernest Renan, "have the *right* to disbelieve in Christianity." In an interesting volume of *Sermons preached in the East* (*Elliot Stock*. Crown 8vo, 1890), Dr. C. H. Butcher, Chaplain of All Saints, Cairo, abundantly proves the truth of the saying out of his varied experience of disbelief. The volume is largely apologetic. But it is apologetic of the simplest kind. And much of it consists in giving hearers the right, not to disbelieve, but to accept and cherish the gospel. He tells the by no means incredible story of the man who, seeing the mummy of the Pharaoh of the Exodus in the Boulac Museum, straightway became a disbeliever in Christianity because he had understood that that Pharaoh was drowned in the Red Sea. And to such like "Agnostics" he tells the quiet truth that first enlightens the understanding, and then claims the allegiance of the heart.

Progressive Religion is the name which has been given to a posthumous volume of sermons by Dr. William Bathgate. (*Maclehose*. Crown 8vo. 6s.) And no doubt religion may be progressive, as the author claims, and even must be so, if it would remain a living thing at all. The point is, however, that the theology, not the religion, of these sermons was once held to be "forward" far beyond the ruling theology of the day in Scotland. It may be conceded that it is so no longer; and also that Dr. Bathgate did something to work the change.

When it is really worth while to collect and print and bind a volume of sermons, it is generally possible to find some special mark of excellence in them. But the brightest and the best have no individual trait, no single excellence that can be looked at separately, and commended above the rest. For sermons, of all the works of man, should be whole and sound in every part. And there are such sermons. We should dare once more to name Alexander Maclaren's and John Ker's. We should name now also Joseph Leckie's. The volumes are two—

1. *Sermons preached at Ibrox*. Crown 8vo, 6s. 1885.
2. *Life and Religion*. Crown 8vo, 6s. 1891.

The publisher is Mr. Maclehose of Glasgow.

We must soon gather together the most notable volumes of sermons to children. They are not numerous. It is even one of the most unoccupied tracts of literary land, few having dared to test

their ability to take it in. There, however, Mr. Reid Howatt's volumes must find a place. And at present we shall do no more than name the latest—*The Children's Pulpit*. (*Nisbet*. Crown 8vo, 6s. 1891.)

Why have Bersier's sermons never found a translator and a publisher in England? There have been promises, but no fulfilment beyond this volume, *Twelve Sermons by the late Eugene Bersier, D.D.*, which Mrs. Alexander Waugh has translated, and Messrs. Nisbet have issued. (Crown 8vo, 6s. 1891.) For the mere sake of making known the Beecher of Protestant France, we should have a worthy edition of his sermons. These are good enough, and may serve to give a taste before the full banquet appears. But there are others at least as eloquent and as full of fresh suggestion and inspiration as these.

During 1889 eleven sermons by distinguished evangelical preachers were published in the *Record*, and Messrs. Nisbet have since reprinted and published them in one volume, under the title of *The Church and Her Doctrine* (Crown 8vo, 6s. 1891). The title shows that the subjects are not very closely related. Each author speaks of that which he knows, however, from the Bishop of Sydney on the Trinity to Principal Wace on the Church. The volume has the significance, it has very little of the defect, of a party manifesto.

FORTHCOMING BOOKS.

It is a pleasure to hear that Dr. Newman Smyth's *Christian Ethics* is having an excellent sale in this country. The next volume of the International Theological Library will be Dr. Bruce's *Apologetics*. Some six chapters of the book were delivered by Dr. Bruce at the "Mansfield College Summer School," and had a most enthusiastic reception. The correspondent of one of the papers remarked that if Dr. Francis Brown was the hero of the first week, Dr. Bruce's apologetic lectures were unanimously voted the event of the second week. And again, it was agreed on all hands that they were distinctly and triumphantly conservative.

The Jewish Publication Society of America has now resolved, it is understood, to produce a new translation of the Old Testament, and has appointed a committee of Jewish scholars to carry out the undertaking.

Dr. John Kennedy's *Self-Revelation of Jesus Christ*, an apologetic on lines that never get out of fashion, is announced by Messrs. Isbister to appear immediately in a cheaper form.

Dr. Schaff has nearly completed his *History of the Church*. The seventh (American) volume is expected within the month. It will deal with the Swiss Reformation.

Canon Driver's new volume of sermons, which Messrs. Methuen will publish immediately, is intended by the author as a theological complement to his *Introduction to the Literature of the Old Testament*, "dealing with aspects of the Old Testament which there could only be noticed incidentally." Besides the sermons, it will contain the paper on the "Moral and Devotional Value of the Old Testament" given in this issue.

To the beautiful cabinet edition of the late Dean Church's works, we hope soon to see another volume added. Mrs. Church is preparing a selection of the Dean's letters. It will also contain a short biography, from her own pen as we understand.

A new book by Dr. George Matheson may be looked for before the end of the year. Its title will be, *The Distinctive Messages of the Old Religions*, a title at once attractive and thoroughly characteristic. Messrs. Blackwood will be the publishers.

The same publishers are about to issue the Cunningham Lectures for the present year by the Rev. Charles G. M'Crie, Ayr. The subject is *The Public Worship of Presbyterian Scotland*, a subject of special interest in Scotland just at this moment.

The Expository Times Guild of Bible Study.

THE Expository Times Guild of Bible Study seeks to encourage the systematic study, as distinguished from the mere reading of Scripture. A portion from the Old Testament and another from the New are selected every year, and the members of the Guild simply make the promise that they will study one or both of those portions with the aid of some Commentary, between the months of November and June. That promise constitutes membership in the Guild. Those who are once enrolled as members do not require to renew the promise every year; and it is always understood that it is not to be held binding if unforeseen circumstances prevent its being carried out. Names of new members should be sent to the Editor, Kinneff, Bervie, N.B.

The parts of Scripture selected for the session 1892-93 are St. John's Gospel and Isaiah i.-xxxix. And the Commentaries recommended for St. John's Gospel are—(1) Reith's (T. & T. Clark, 2 vols., 2s. each), or (2) Plummer's (Cambridge Press, 4s. 6d.), or (3) Westcott's (Murray, 12s. 6d.). And for those who wish to study the gospel in the original, Plummer's Greek edition is very satisfactory (Cambridge Press, 6s.). For Isaiah, Orelli (10s. 6d.) and Delitzsch (the fourth edition, 2 vols., 21s.) are the best. The Publishers (Messrs. T. & T. Clark, 38 George Street, Edinburgh) will send a copy of Orelli for 6s., and of Delitzsch for 12s., postage

paid, to any *Member of the Expository Times Guild* who applies for it.

Members of the Guild may send to the Editor from month to month, as the result of their study, short expository papers. The best of these will be published in THE EXPOSITORY TIMES; and the writers, seeing them there, will receive from the Publishers any volume they select out of the following list of books:—

The Foreign Theological Library (about 180 vols. to select from).

Meyer's *Commentary on the New Testament*, 20 vols.

The Ante-Nicene Christian Library, 24 vols.

St. Augustine's Works, 15 vols.

Buhl's *Canon and Text of the Old Testament*.

Pünjer's *Philosophy of Religion*.

Macgregor's *Apology of the Christian Religion*.

Workman's *Text of Jeremiah*.

Stählin's *Kant, Lotze, and Ritschl*.

Delitzsch's *Messianic Prophecies*.

König's *Religious History of Israel*.

Janet's *Theory of Morals*.

Monrad's *World of Prayer*.

Allen's *Life of Jonathan Edwards*.

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