

especially studied the demerits as well as the merits of previous translators—"slips of the graving-tool which mar the whole cameo"—and has striven to avoid them. His verses are smooth, correct, well worthy of study; and yet—the translator of "Dies Irae" has not yet appeared. (\$1. Fleming H. Revell Co.)—TO GUILDS and Bible-classes we commend "The New Testament and its Writers," by the Rev. J. A. McClymont of Aberdeen (25 cts.). It packs the fruits of modern research into readable paragraphs as closely and in as relishable form as the sunshine and chemistry of air and soil compact the pulp into a nut. Dr. Alexander Stewart, Professor of Systematic Theology in the same city, furnishes an admirable "Hand-book of Christian Evidences." (25 cts.) "Life and Conduct" (25 cts.) are treated of in a sensible and very readable manner by J. Cameron Lees, D.D., LL.D., who also furnishes, like the other authors, a working bibliography of his theme for reference and further study. The story of "The Church of Scotland" (25 cts.) is told in graphic outline by the Rev. Pearson McAdam Muir of Edinburgh. We are charmed with the workmanlike manner in which these manuals have been prepared, and predict for them, should they become well-known, a wide circulation on this side of the Atlantic. The general spirit that informs the whole is that of historic or orthodox Christianity. (A. D. F. Randolph & Co.)

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