lates and discusses certain selected Psalms, the Song of Solomon, and other related lyrics. The price of the first part is M. 4.20, and of the second, M. 4.80. The work may be had of Lemecke & Buechner, New York. The translations and comments give evidence of acquaintance with the most recent phases of criticism.

Theologischer Jahresbericht. Dreissigster Band, 1910. Das Neue Testament. Bearbeitet von Brückner. M. Heinrius Nachfolger, Leipzig, Germany. Pr. 60 pf.

The Theologischer Jahresbericht is edited by Drs. K. Krüger and M. Schian, of Giessen. The New Testament part is prepared by M. Brückner, and is remarkably complete and very valuable. The leading books on the New Testament during 1910 are given, as well as the leading articles in the reviews. It is a comfort to have this bibliography.

Prisca of Patmos. A Tale of the Days of St. John. By H. C. McCook, D.D. The Westminster Press. Philadelphia. 1911. 318 pages, \$1.25 net. Postage 12 cents.

This very interesting story is beautifully illustrated. It gives a graphic picture of the trials of Christians in the reign of Domitian, and thus helps one to understand the life of John, the Apostle, and the reason for his exile in Patmos.

III. PRACTICAL THEOLOGY.

The International Lesson System—The History of Its Origin and Development. By John Richard Sampey, D.D., LL.D. Fleming H. Revell Company, 1911. pp. 363. \$1.50 net.

Professor Sampey has put the world in his debt—particularly the Sunday School world—by the preparation of this painstaking volume. The work was first delivered as a course of lectures before the faculty and students of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, February 6-10, 1911, and is now published, with a brief but illuminating introduction by Bishop Vincent, who, as the book of Dr. Sampey shows, was one of the

founders of the "International Uniform Lesson"—B. F. Jacobs being another. The volume is appropriately dedicated to these two pioneers. The captions of the five leading chapters will suggest the scope of the work: I. From Robert Raikes and William Fox to John H. Vincent and B. F. Jacobs; II. The Genesis of the International Uniform Lesson; III. The Period of Triumphant Expansion; IV. The Period of Growing Criticism; V. The Demand for Graded Lessons

Professor Sampey's connection with the Lesson Committee since 1895, (when he succeeded Dr. John A. Broadus as a member of the Committee) has given him ample qualification for preparing this useful volume. The story, though involving many details, is never dry, but is interesting to the end. The new generation can discern in this treatise, how much the Sunday School world owes to the patience and persistence of those early leaders who brought order out of chaos, and made the work of the Bible School respected throughout the earth. Professor Sampey sets forth with clearness, the problems that have arisen, and with judicial fairness the criticisms to which the International System has been subjected. It will be years to come before another such treatise will be necessary—so well has the author performed his task. The Appendix is unusually long; contains a list of the Uniform Lessons from 1872—1912, as well as the Special and Graded Lessons from 1896 to the present. This will be useful for reference. Pictures of the International Committeemen from the beginning to the present lend interest to the book.

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Peloubet's Select Notes on the International Sunday School Lessons for 1912. By Rev. F. N. Peloubet, D.D., Prof. Amos R. Wells, A.M. W. A. Wilde Co., Boston. 1911. \$1.00.

For thirty-eight years Dr. Peloubet has been providing the Sunday School world with an annual on the International Uniform Lessons. That his work has been superbly done is witnessed by the ever increasing demand for his "Select Notes." He has