

BOOK REVIEWS

I. BIBLICAL LITERATURE.

The Story of the English Bible. By Preston B. Wells, A.M., Louisville Conference, M. E. Church, South. Pentecostal Publishing Co. Louisville, Ky., 1911. 204 pages. Net, \$1.00.

Pastor Wells, of the Broadway Methodist Church, of Louisville, has done a good piece of work in giving this condensed story of the English Bible to the public. There is still a lamentable lack of information as to the origin and history of the various versions of the Bible. Few yet have a clear idea of the method of transmission. So every effort to help some new part of this uninformed public to a clearer and completer understanding of the fascinating story of the preservation and transmission of the Book of Books is to be welcomed. The author modestly says that he has made no effort to prepare a treatise for the scholar, or for the reader who has easy access to large libraries; he has had in view the average busy man and busy woman. But he deserves credit for putting in condensed and readable form the results of the research of many scholars in many lands. The book has been made more valuable for popular use by a skillful use of diagrams and tabular statements, and by a full index and bibliography.

GEO. B. EAGER.

A History of the Textual Criticism of the New Testament. By Marvin R. Vincent, D.D. The Macmillan Co., N. Y., 1909. \$1.00 net.

Professor Vincent's scholarly work in this field is too well known to require commendation. In this little volume, one of "The New Testament Handbooks," edited by Shailer Mathews, he simply attempts to exhibit the development of the Textual Criticism of the New Testament in a form which will make it