

II. BIBLICAL LITERATURE.

The Heart of the Bible. For Young People, Parents and Teachers. Connected Readings Following the Thread of Providence and Purpose, with Illuminative Headings. American Standard Version. Edited by Ella Broadus Robertson. Thomas Nelson & Sons. New York. 1911. 539 pages. \$1.00, in cloth; \$1.50, in limp leather.

The contents of Mrs. Robertson's book are the most precious heritage of the human race. The message of the Bible is presented in the very words of the Bible, accompanied by headings that are truly illuminative. The omission of verses, paragraphs and chapters has been made with such good judgment that the moral and spiritual message of the book is given in perfect fulness. At a few points a bridge is constructed by the editor on which the reader passes swiftly and safely over sections that might prove tedious to a youthful mind. Even the youngest readers have not been forgotten, five pages of beautiful verses for the little ones forming the first part of the book. The vividness and dramatic power of the Scripture story impress the reader and tempt him to read on and on. The boy or girl of ten who gets a copy of this beautiful book will be able to understand the Bible without the presence of a teacher. The selections are admirably adapted to use in family worship and in school. We have found in a careful study of the volume nothing to criticize and much to admire. It ought to be placed in every home where there are young people; and the aged saint will find in it nearly all his favorite passages.

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Studies in the Psalms. By Joseph Bryant Rotherham. London. H. R. Allenson. 611 pages. 10s. 6d. net. \$2.75.

Mr. Rotherham's Biblical studies have been of great service. His chief work is the Emphasized Bible, which has helped many a minister to a better understanding, and has given hints for an intelligent public reading. In ripe old age he returned to one of