

Die Psalmen Israels nach dem Vermass der Urschrift verdeutscht von Professor D. Rud. Kittel, 1915. viii-|-217 ss. M. 2.50, geb. M. 3. A. Deichertsche Verlagsbuchh. Werner Scholl, Leipzig.

Professor Kittel has made a slight revision of the German translation of the Psalter contained in his notable Commentary on the Psalms, which appeared in 1914, and now publishes this German translation without notes. Dr. Kittel retains as much as possible of Luther's noble translation. Pictures of musicians and musical instruments selected from the ancient monuments add to the attractiveness and value of this handy volume.

The publishers call attention to the widespread use of the Psalms in public worship on the part of the crowds that throng the churches during the great European War. The little book is also recommended for use in the family and by soldiers in the field.

JOHN R. SAMPEY.

2. NEW TESTAMENT.

The Books of the Apocrypha, Their Origin, Teaching and Contents. By the Rev. W. O. E. Oesterley, D.D., 1914. Fleming H. Revell Co., New York. 553 pp. \$3.00 net.

Dr. Oesterley has produced a very satisfactory book, full of knowledge, well-proportioned, and on the whole sane in its handling of the multitudinous problems that confront one in this field. The author is in thorough possession of modern researches that bear upon the vexed questions in connection with these books and the Jewish parties. It is indispensable that a student of the New Testament know the Old Testament Apocrypha. The Scribes, the Pharisees, the Sadducees, the Apocalyptists, the Hellenists must all be understood if one is to know the New Testament world. Dr. Oesterley has produced a most useful handbook.

A. T. ROBERTSON.

The Freer Gospels. By E. J. Goodspeed, Ph. D., Associate Professor of Biblical and Patristic Greek. University of Chicago, 1914. The University of Chicago Press, Chicago. 65 pp.

This volume is Part 3 of Volume II (First Series) in the "Historical and Linguistic Studies in Literature Related to the New Testament." Dr. Goodspeed has fulness of knowledge and great skill for the task of examining this important manuscript now known as W (Washington manuscript). He has made minute comparison of this newly-found fifth century uncial with the text of Westcott and Hort so that the student can more easily tell at a glance on any passage how W compares with Westcott and Hort's text. It is thus a very serviceable piece of work.

A. T. ROBERTSON.

Judaism and St. Paul. By C. G. Montefiore, 1915. E. P. Dutton & Co., New York. 240 pp. \$1.25 net.

Mr. Montefiore professes unbounded admiration for Paul's genius and makes a plea for Jews to give him a better hearing than he has received. He does not, forsooth, agree that Paul understood correctly the Judaism of his day and is disposed, I think, to attach too much credit to the Greek influence on Paul. Some of it is true beyond a doubt. But one is not disposed to find serious fault with this effort of a great Jewish scholar like Montefiore to present Paul in a pleasing light to his Jewish brethren. We are glad to have this monograph which is at least free from bitterness and may help Christians look at Paul from a new angle.

A. T. ROBERTSON.

Plain Talks on the Pastoral Epistles. By Eugene Stock, 1914. Robert Scott, London. 340 pp. 3s. net.

Dr. Stock writes in a clear and helpful way about the problems raised by, and the ideas in, the Pastoral Epistles. He expressly disclaims writing for technical scholars, though in the footnotes he does put some scholarly minutiae. But the fifty chapters contain a great deal of sound knowledge and suggestive comment that ministers and students will find very useful. The Pastoral Epistles are receiving more attention of late years. They well deserve it. Few things will pay the preacher better than careful study of the Greek text of these Epistles.

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