

guments are courteously but completely exposed. The author furnishes another illustration of the superiority of the English mind to the German in weighing evidence and of the necessity on the part of young English scholars of guarding against being influenced by the German tendency to allow theories to override facts. Many matters of great interest and importance are dealt with in the Introduction and the additional notes. I shall mention only two or three.

Dr. Murray throws fresh light on I Peter which he believes to be later than, and indebted to, Ephesians—against Bigg in the I. C. C. So Paul's influence in Asia Minor was greater, he thinks, than Dr. Swete (*Apocalypse*) admits. His investigation of the textual phenomena confirms Hort's estimate of **8 B**. These MSS. seem to have a very early common original, not the autograph.

Care, competency in scholarship and judgment, and candor mark this very valuable work throughout.

J. H. FARMER.

The First Epistle of Peter. Edited by Rev. G. W. Blenkin, M.A. Cambridge: at the University Press, 1914. LXXXVIII—|— 132 pp. 3s. 6d. net.

This also is one of the Cambridge series of the Greek Testament for Schools and Colleges. The author's chief indebtedness is to Hort, Bigg and Chase. Both introduction and commentary are well done. He agrees with Murray against Bigg in recognizing dependence of I Peter on Ephesians. The date he puts between 62 and 64 A. D. He has the best of the argument against Ramsay touching date and the historical situation implied. The notes show good judgment. Grammatical points would have been improved had the author studied Robertson's Grammar.

J. H. FARMER.

International and Critical Commentary on the Epistle of James. By James Hardy Roper, D.D., Hollis Professor of Divinity in Harvard University. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York City, 1916. 319 pp.

There are now two sets of New Testament Commentaries in English on the Greek Text that compete for supremacy, the International Critical (Scribner's), and the Macmillan Commentaries. Now one is ahead and now the other. Prof Roper had to go up against Mayor on James and it may be said at once that he has not come up to the level of Mayor, whose exhaustive and masterful work has now appeared in a second edition. But Roper has done a splendid piece of work. It is concise, clear, and modern. The Jacobean authorship is denied against Mayor and pseudonymity is held as probable and the date at the end of the first century. But Roper is not convincing here. He is probably right (p. 162) in reading ἡ τροπῆς ἀποσκιάσματος after ⚭ B in 1:17 "the variation that is observed in the turning of the shadow." One is glad to add this sharp tool to his workshop.

A. T. ROBERTSON.

The Historical Bible. The Work and Teachings of the Apostles. By C. H. Kent, Ph.D. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, 1916. 313 pp. \$1.25 net.

Prof. Kent has produced, in harmony with the other volumes of the series, a popular interpretation of the Apostolic period from the liberal standpoint. He has a selected bibliography for various aspects of the study. He appends the Epistle of James as a pseudonymous book after the Apocalypse of John which is also pseudonymous.

The Twelve Apostolic Types of Christian Men. By Edward A. George. Fleming H. Revell Co., New York City, 1916. 235 pp. \$1.00 net.

Helpful studies, though not strikingly original, are these chapters. The style is simple and clear and the treatment straightforward and practical. They will help the average reader to visualize the Twelve Apostles.