

gregations under their care should be warned against the doctrines advocated by the E. U., when one of the members, the Rev. Mr. Hutton of Closeburn, declared that he put some E. U. tracts, which were sent to him, as a matter of course into the fire, as containing in his opinion pestilential heresy. The leading doctrine condemned by this reverend Synod was that of universal atonement. Some of the prominent labourers in the revival in the south-west of Scotland preached the atonement as for every sinner; and it appears that the old bottles of limitarianism will not contain the new wine of revival zeal. Hence the revival has spread among many views of the love of God to mankind, and of the work of Christ for all, and of the Spirit's striving with all, at variance with the doctrines of Calvinism. The result of this Synodical deliverance against the doctrines of the E. U. has been that a large quantity of E. U. literature has been circulated in Dumfries, and that the Revs. A. Davidson and F. Ferguson of Glasgow have been preaching the fulness and freeness of the gospel to every sinner, in that town.

As the writings of the Rev. F. Ferguson of Glasgow were specially referred to by Mr. Hutton in his speech before the Synod in Dumfries, Mr. Ferguson wrote to him, wishing to know what tracts of his were regarded as heretical. Mr. F. also delivered a lecture in his own church in Glasgow in defence of the truth. He chose for his text "And behold the bush was burned and the bush was not consumed." Mr. F. endeavoured to show how much valuable literature Mr. H. must needs burn, yea much of the Bible he must destroy, to be consistent. He also stated that the E. Unionists instead of being hinderers, were both pioneers and helps to revival, and that the doctrines contended for by them are indestructible, like the burning bush, through whatever trial they may pass. The lecture of Mr. Ferguson has been published, and, while it is an admirable defence of the truth, respecting the universality of the atonement, it is distinguished by that large charity, for which Mr. Ferguson is distinguished.

We observe also that the Rev. Mr. Gailey, F. C. Minister of Annan, has, in "An address to converts and others," been warning the people against what he considers heresy. This address has created great excitement as the parties whom he regards as holding pernicious doctrines are the Rev. E. Young, Independent minister of Annan, and his people. Mr. G. declares that he can hold no fellowship with Morisonians, the nickname he gives to the parties whose doctrines he condemns, 'no, not for an hour.' The result has been a rupture in the Union-prayer-meeting, in Mr. Y's withdrawal from it. The excitement is most intense. The attention of the people is aroused to consider the truth.

REV. PROFESSOR GUTHRIE.—We are glad to learn from the *Ardrossan and Saltcoats Herald* of 23rd November, that a meeting of the friends favourable to the formation of a new E. U. Church in Glasgow, under the pastorate of the Rev. Professor Guthrie, was held in Drummond's Temperance Hotel, Union Street,—W. L. Balfour, Esq., in the chair,—when resolutions were passed in favour of the object of the meeting, and a Committee appointed to take immediate steps towards the accomplishment of the end desired. A great amount of warm sympathy was expressed, and a letter was read from the Rev. Professor Morison cordially approving of the movement, and wishing it God speed.