

Mr. Robert Sneddon occupied the chair. The more substantial materials having been discussed, he introduced, with a few appropriate remarks, Mr. James Garrick, who in a neat and graceful speech, full of all the nice and sweet things generally and heartily said, we believe, on presentation occasions, formally presented Mr. Strachan, in the name of the class, with the volumes spread out on the table before him. Mr. Garrick also, in the name of the class, presented Mrs. Strachan with a copy of a most superb edition of the Bible, as a mark of their regard for her. Mr. Strachan, in a few fit sayings, expressed the gratitude of Mrs. Strachan and himself for the kindness shown to them by his pupils in the Lord. He thought that the best gratitude would be in the heart and not on the lips. He closed his remarks by a serious exhortation to the members of the class to remember the warnings which they as a class had received by the visits of death and sickness among them. A number of the young men engaged in recitations and short speeches, thus filling up the wet evening with warm words and feeling. Votes of thanks having been given, and the doxology sung, the happy meeting broke up before "elder's hours." The names of the books donated by the class are—Blackie's Imperial Lexicon, 2 vols., richly bound; Lange's Life of the Lord Jesus Christ, 7 vols.—a most valuable and suggestive work; and Alexander of Princeton's Translation and Exposition of the Psalms, 1 vol.—*Christian Times* of July 9.

HAWICK.—The Rev. David Hislop, of Leith, has intimated his acceptance of the call to become the pastor of the E. U. Church in Hawick. Mr. Hislop received a similar call from the church some five years ago, which circumstances then prevented his accepting; and as the church has been gradually rising, a full tide of the harmonious and genuine prosperity is anticipated to result from this union.—*Christian Times* of July 23.

The midsummer meeting of the North Eastern Association of Evangelical Union Ministers was held at Anstruther on Tuesday last. The various ministers of the district, who take a lively interest in the welfare of the association were all present, and the exercises which were gone through were of a most enjoyable and profitable nature. In Hebrew Psalm vi. was read and analysed, and in Greek Romans vi. 1—11, was read and critically examined, and this part of the exercises commends itself more than ever to the members of the Association. The exegetical paper, which had for its subject Romans vi., 4, was read by the Rev. J. Miller, Dundee. It was a carefully prepared paper, and gave rise to an interesting conversation. The theological paper was read by the Rev. E. Kennedy, Troustric. The subject was "The Atonement," and the paper, which was a very elaborate one, and evidenced great research on the part of the writer, and a thorough acquaintance with ancient and modern speculations on the subject, gave rise to a lengthened conversation. Altogether the objects contemplated in the formation of this association have so far been completely realised, and the care bestowed by the members on the various exercises of the association promise to make it more than ever an instrument of good to all connected with it.—*Ibid.*