

be adequately sustained, and accomplish the great ends proposed. The special instructions given to the revisers of the English New Testament, and observed by the author of the portion now before us, are, to retain the present version as the basis of their revision, and to make that revision from the received Greek text, critically edited, with known errors corrected,—to cite all authorities for alterations made, and to give the views of the reviser as to the translation of the same word or phrase of the original, not only in the place before him, but in every other place in which it occurs. Should this plan be carried out, provision is more effectually made for gaining the concurrent authority of biblical Scholars for the revised version, than existed amongst the fifty-four translators of King James; and the result could scarcely fail to be successful, and to secure public confidence.

“ We cannot here critically examine at large such a work as this; we must be satisfied with describing it carefully and illustrating its contents by a quotation !”

After making several citations from the work of the Union, the review thus concludes :

“ This, though the valuable quotations are left out, will give a good notion of the plan and execution of the work. It is remarkably thorough, learned, and minutely careful; and the reviser evidently unites to a strong, clear mind, a high order of Scholarship, and a deep insight of the modes of thought and expression characteristic of the New Testament writers.

“ We hoped to find room for a selection of emendations, but must briefly give the volume an emphatic commendation to biblical students, ministers, and scholars.”

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BIBLE UNION.

[We copy the following paragraphs from the *Gospel Banner* relative to the recent half-yearly meeting of the American Bible Union, held in Chicago, Illinois.—]

The friends of a pure Bible gathered at an early hour on Wednesday morning, May 9th, 1855, in the Tabernacle Baptist Church in the city of Chicago.

Distinguished men from abroad were present, among whom we noticed Rev. Spencer H. Cone, D. D., Thomas Armitage, D. D., Dr. Shephard, Wm. H. Wyckoff and Rev. Joshua Fletcher, of New