

### QUERIES AND ANSWERS.

"W. E. B."—Which is the best Analysis of the Bible published? A.: Referred to Dr. Howard Crosby for answer, who replies: "I know of no Bible analysis superior to Hitchcock's."

"V. W. R."—Can you name any book or sermon that will aid me to study the question: Will the heathen be saved without the Gospel?—A.: The best thing we know of in brief space is a sermon in *National Preacher* (Vol. xxxiv, Sept. No.)

"KENE."—Does the Rev. Wm. Lloyd quote correctly (H. M. p. 222) when he says that Locke said, "Reading makes the full man, and writing the correct man?" Was it not Bacon, and is not the correct quotation, "Reading maketh a full man; conference, a ready man, and writing, an exact man"?—A.: Our correspondent is correct in both particulars. (See Hoyt-Ward Cyclo-pædia of Quotations, k. 227).

"W. W."—Sir Samuel Baker was a Pasha, but is not the Baker Pasha who is commanding at present an Egyptian army. This is Valentine Baker, the brother of Sir Samuel, as explained in the following letter to us from the author, John Habberton: "Baker Pasha, now in Egypt, is the reprobate who figured a few years ago in a disgraceful suit. He was sent to the Khédive by the Porte. Sir Samuel, his brother, is in England, or was a few weeks since."

"W. B."—How can one get the complete "Second Epistle of Clement," spoken of by Dr. Schaff, in the November number of *THE HOMILETIC MONTHLY*, in such shape as would make it available as addenda to the garbled edition published in the Ante-Nicene Christian Library?—A. The second epistle of Clement of Rome is published in full by the discoverer, Archbishop Bryennios, Constant, 1875, and by Bishop Lightfoot in an appendix to his Clement, 1879.

"P. K."—I wished to preach a sermon on the Press, but could not for a long while hit upon an appropriate text.

At last I thought of the *gift of tongues*. Is not the printing press a variation of that same great miracle? One tongue speaks and ten thousand tongues in many languages and for ages, if what is uttered is worthy, repeat what is said. Is not that text a happy thought?—A: Yes; but as is true of many of our happy thoughts, somebody expressed that thought before. In Blunt's excellent history of the Reformation you will find on page 109, English edition, these words: "The art of printing, in this age of revival, was analogous to the *gift of tongues* in the first promulgation of the Gospel. But even so, printing has the advantage in that it preserves wisdom for every succeeding age, while the miraculous gift of speech conveyed it only to the existing generation of men." It may be that you never heard of Prof. Blunt or his book. Like coincidences, are not infrequent.

"IN DOUBT."—I am a young clergyman. I have read Renan, Kuenen, and Robertson Smith. I cannot say that these men are wrong in all their conclusions which touch "the inspiration of the Scriptures"; I certainly cannot prove it. Hence I am in *doubt* touching at least one of the fundamentals of Christianity—the *inspiration of the Scriptures*. What am I as a conscientious man to do? Quit the ministry? But I may shortly emerge from my doubts. Preach on subjects concerning which I have no doubts? But my lack of certainty about the authority of the Bible seems to unsettle everything. I am in a strait, and I know that there are many young men in the ministry situated as I am. Will you, or some experienced teacher in Israel, advise us? A: This query we referred to Dr. John Hall, who answers: "When you have considered, with equal care the refutation of the authors named, if you still remain a believer in their peculiarities (you put them all in one category), of course it is your duty to resign your commission, if you hold it from a church with a definite creed which you disbelieve."