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DAVID: SHEPHERD, PSALMIST, KING. *By F. B. Meyer, B.A. Pp. 213. 90c. Fleming H. Revell Co., Toronto.*

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