

gether the scattered evidences which modern travel and research have brought out, and combine them into one harmonious whole, is a task that could not have been placed in better hands than in those of the editor of Herodotus, and a careful study of the work must tend to confirm the faith of the believer, and to remove stumbling blocks from the way of the sceptic. An admirable idea of the scope and style of the work may be gathered from the extract given further on.

THE WORLD'S BIRTHDAY, by PROFESSOR GAUSSEN of Geneva. A book for the Young.—London: Nelson. Toronto: Maclear & Co.

This is a charming book. It consists of a series of lectures to children on the first chapter of the book of Genesis, and is a model of perspicuity and simplicity. There is learning without pedantry, and science without technicalities; so clear that the youngest could understand it, so suggestive that the oldest would be instructed. As a book for Sabbath school Libraries we would give it a high place; to another use too, we cordially commend it, viz., to ministers, superintendents, and others desiring to study the right method of addressing the young.

TWELVE YEARS OF A SOLDIER'S LIFE IN INDIA; being extracts from the letters of the late Major Hodson.—Boston: Ticknor. Toronto: Maclear & Co.

A very choice book indeed, and one that cannot be read without profound interest and emotion. A man of consummate abilities, both civil and military, taking a most active part in all the stirring events of the past twelve years (and what a twelve years!) in India—the book, more than any we ever read, gives an idea of the manner in which India has been held, and governed, and reconquered. The man himself was a very choice spirit, trained under Dr. Arnold, and doing everything in a magnificent style—the word is not too strong—from a high sense of duty. A man ranking with Havelock and Lawrence in point of character, and in personal bravery and coolness unapproached. He it was who captured the two sons of the King of Delhi, having only a troop of soldiers with him they being surrounded by thousands, but awed by the commanding spirit of their captor; an exploit perhaps the most remarkable of modern times.

The book we most strongly recommend to the study of ministers and others, whose business is to draw lessons from the events of life. It is very choice in style and treatment, being mostly composed of original material, (for the man *wrote* as well as he fought or governed,)—and though pervaded by a strong dash of the military spirit, its lessons of steady labour, patient endurance, and calm trust in God under heavy trial are invaluable. If we had a memoir of Havelock as good as this, it would be worth its weight in gold.

REASONS FOR MY FAITH, by REV. F. H. MARLING.—New York: Phiney, Blakeman & Mason. Toronto: John C. Geikie.

A tractate of pleasing appearance and commendable execution. The good impression produced by its external look is not destroyed on further acquaintance with the intrinsic merit of the effort. Its object is to aid a class of anxious inquirers after salvation in the solution of some of their difficulties. After briefly showing the important place of faith in the Son of God, to the possession of salvation, the Author proceeds to remark, "When, therefore, we ask for Reasons for our Faith,"