

more potent with the members than the desire to do the real work that they as undergraduates could be fairly expected to do, In other words, their very pretentiousness proves their comparative uselessness. By reason of its youth our university has so far avoided this danger, and it will be well if our students will see to it that they continue to do so.

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF CHILDHOOD.—Our readers will remember the review of this little book published in these columns a few months ago. Dr. Frederick Tracy, its author, of the University of Toronto, has issued it anew, and a Canadian edition by Copp, Clark & Co., Toronto, brings it within easy access to our readers. It was formerly published in pamphlet form, but the new edition is beautifully bound, the print is clear, and certain errors of type which disfigured the first edition, have been removed. The content of the book remain the same, with the exception of a minor change or two rendered necessary by the advancement of the science. Many testimonials of eminent educators bear witness to the importance of the subject, and the ability and learning which Professor Tracy has brought to its treatment. We take pleasure in commending it again to our readers.

"SOME Unsolved Problems of the Higher Criticism" is the title of a neatly printed pamphlet of sixty pages, recently issued, from the pen of Professor Goodspeed, D.D. The substance of the pamphlet was delivered in Toronto in the form of two public lectures: the first, at the annual opening of McMaster University, October 12th, 1894; the second, a week or two later. Dr. Goodspeed has done well in consenting to the publication of his materials in the present form. The Higher Criticism, while imperfectly understood by the many, has extended its influence very widely, and created the need for discussions of its aims and results at once competent, brief, and sufficiently popular for the ordinary Christian intelligence. The general literature of the subject is much too voluminous and technical for any but men of leisure and scholarship. Dr. Goodspeed's pamphlet admirably meets the need mentioned. The historical sketch in the earlier pages furnish a fair and comprehensive statement of the origin of this species of Old Testament criticism, of its principles and methods, and of the conclusions so far reached. The "Unsolved Problems" presented in the later pages indicate sufficiently that the Higher Criticism has not passed the hypothetical stage, and that the solution of the apparently insoluble is the task yet to be performed, if its claims are to be made good. Dr. Goodspeed exhibits a thorough-going acquaintance with his subject; thinks strongly and clearly upon it; and makes his presentation in the command of a vigorous style. The pamphlet should have a wide circulation.