

assigned. Professor Lichtenberger has done his work well, and his judgment is very fairly given on all occasions. The book is translated and edited by Mr. Hastie, to whom great praise is due; and the whole "get up" of the work is such as might be expected from the eminent firm that publishes it.

PROFESSOR KURTZ' work (3) has long been recognised in Germany as the most useful Church history for students. It is concise, sufficiently full, and readable. The plan of arranging the matter in principal sections, and attaching to them a disproportionate amount of notes, has an awkward look and hinders unity of impression, but it saves space and is convenient for learners. The translation is both accurate and idiomatic. Mr. Macpherson has omitted a number of references to German works, and substituted for some of them references to books accessible to English readers. This is a substantial advantage; but the literature-list so compiled would repay revision.

*The Church of Scotland in the Thirteenth Century* (4) is an able essay, in which Mr. Lockhart has set forth with clearness the condition of the Mediæval Church in Scotland at a period in which we should hardly look for much religious advancement. Mr. Lockhart shows that this century was an age in which road-making made progress, towns were built, streams were spanned by bridges, and civilisation made itself felt everywhere. He has ranged his information round the name of David de Bernham, Bishop of St. Andrew's, who was undoubtedly not only one of the foremost men of his own age, but he would have been a conspicuous figure in any age. The modes of dedicating Churches, the rise of the Mendicant Orders, the origin of Ecclesiastical Legislation in Scotland, and the account of Mediæval Preaching form very interesting chapters, and the work altogether is a valuable addition to Church history in Great Britain.

(1) *History of the People of Israel*. From the French of E. Rénan. London: Chapman & Hall, Limited, 1889.

(2) *History of German Theology in the Nineteenth Century*. By F. Lichtenberger. Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark. Price, 14s.

(3) *Church History*, by Professor Kurtz. *Authorised Translation from Latest Revised Edition*. By the Rev. JOHN MACPHERSON, M.A. In three vols. London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1888.

(4) *The Church of Scotland in the Thirteenth Century*. By William Lockhart, A.M. Edinburgh and London: Wm. Blackwood & Sons, 1889.