men of experience and undoubted Protestant principles, shewing the good that has been done by the Society in circulating these versions where Luther's version would not be received. Among these is a letter from Dr. Hegel, President of the Prussian Bible Society, which itself does not circulate these versions. In this letter, he says :—

"I should therefore regard it as a deeply-to-be-lamented loss for the cause of the Gospel were the British and Foreign Bible Society to give up circulating the Van Ess and Kistemaker translations among the Catholics of Prussia; all the more so as the Prussian Bible Society would not be in a position to undertake the work, inasmuch as the carrying out of such a work is only possible through the agency of colporteurs, and the Prussian Bible Society is not so organized as to be able to avail itself of this agency."

Mr. Davies closes his Report in the following words :—

"I have thus dealt to the best of my ability with this important matter, to which my attention has been officially called. A careful study of the completest statement accessible to me of objections and scruples entertained by English friends has failed to convince me either that all the objections urged are well-founded, or that those which are warrant the conclusions drawn from them. Eighteen years' experience of work among Roman populations, and the unanimous testimony of our depositaries and colporteurs—many of whom have had a longer experience than my own—have led me to the firm conviction that to substitute Luther's version for the versions we now circulate would be tantamount to abandoning our work among Catholics altogether. This experience of ours has been confirmed by private individuals or public bodies in all the provinces of Prussia and States of Germany containing any considerable Catholic population. The evidence has gone further. Experience and testimony warrant us in saying that these versions have been blessed by God in the past, and in hoping that they will be blessed again by Him in the future; and that, in spite of the inaccuracies and imperfections which are said to countenance Romish error, the preponderating body of truth which they contain is sufficiently lucid and abundant to be safely entrusted to counteract any injurious effects. The foregoing letters show that, in begging the Committee to continue the circulation of these versions, I am not only speaking in my own name, and that of all our depositaries and colporteurs, but also in the name of God-fearing or experienced men, or of Bible and Evangelical Societies in almost every Catholic province or country in the German Empire. I can honestly say that in this matter my object has not been to get up a case, but to form a judgment and collect opinions; the result I thus lay before you."—*B. & F. B. S. Reporter.*

THE LATE REV. DR. JENNINGS.

This time last year we were recording the loss sustained by the Society in the deaths of two of its oldest counsellors. Now again we are called upon to mourn a similar loss, in the departure of one who, although his days were still considerably short of three score years and ten, was one of the oldest of our vice-presidents, having held that office for twenty-seven years, and having been an active supporter of the Society from the beginning of his residence in this city. The Rev. John Jennings, D.D., was born in Glasgow in the year 1814. His parents having died while he was young, he was educated by an uncle in Fifeshire, the Rev. Mr. Tyndall, a minister of the United Secession Church, through whose influence he was led to prepare for the ministry of that Church at the Theological Hall of St. Andrew's. When he