

102.—“And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree.”—*Isa. xxxiv. 4, Rev. vi. 13.* “Are leaves millions of times bigger than the vine or tree?”

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103.—“Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion?” Pleiades, the seven stars which point to the north star, being central in the heavens are specially mentioned as having a special influence and centre. Orion a constellation just before the sign of Taurus; it consists of about 80 stars.

104.—“Canst thou lead forth the Mazzaroth in their season? or canst thou guide the bear with her train?”—*Job xxxviii. 32.* Here the Creator Himself acknowledges the primary cause of the seasons to the signs of the Zodiac, as “Mazzaroth” is the Chaldaic name for Zodiac, and the great assertion which follows confirms it:—

105.—“Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou establish the dominion thereof in the earth?”—*Job xxxviii. 33.* Not the earth to have dominion over them for seasons, or light, or anything else; but they over the earth for all this business. So let's hear no more about the earth regulating the seasons by its supposed revolutions. Let God be true, though every philosopher a liar. God is not a man that He should lie, or waver, nor the son of man that He should change.

Thus we have found from analogy, nature, scripture and experience that there is not an atom of truth in the measurements, distances, quantities, nor theories of modern astronomy, therefore God will at last turn wise men backward and make diviners, who are mostly mere materialists, mad. “What I know not, teach Thou me.” Indeed, there never were any arguments urged in favour of materialism, infidelity, or rationalism, but better was always produced in support of truth. The stability of Christ's times will be the abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge, without deception.

P. S.—Incidentally this pamphlet is compiled through the spasmodic *melee* after the third lecture at the Albert Hall. A gentleman friend called one evening to see how the lecturer was; and asked for scripture proofs on the subject. There were none at hand; but when he left, the thought entered our mind to see what texts there were on the subject, personally. So finding over 100, conferred with my friend who thought it advisable to publish them. So if any good is effected by the same, we must thank the disturbers, whose conduct was greatly exaggerated by the local Press, the 40 programmes being multiplied by thousands; and thank the supporter, who so kindly enquired after the welfare of the lecturer.

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PREFACE.

“HE IS THE FREE MAN WHOM THE TRUTH MAKES FREE, AND ALL ARE SLAVES BESIDE.”

This year, 1896, being the jubilee year of my acquaintance with the science of Astronomy—for it was when the writer was a lad ten years of age that a gentleman who kept a boarding school at Islington, and visited our house annually, gave me as a present, one year, a monthly volume of the Tract Society on the Solar System—that my first interest was taken in that subject, being very pleased with the picture representing a ship going to sea, tumbling over an orange, it led me to close examination of that side of the subject for 25 years, when a strong conviction entered my mind that the sun had been mismeasured, as *no light* is ever made *larger* than the place to be enlightened. It made me examine the matter thoroughly; and it proved that the accepted theory which I had obstinately adhered to for a quarter-of-a-century, was *all wrong*, and had to be thrown overboard to lighten the ship. “I will purely purge away thy dross and take away all thy tin.” Now it is my sole desire after another quarter-of-a-century of certifying nature's fixed truths, to release as many captives as possible in this year of jubilee.

Nearly all the educated classes of civilized nations are still slaves to the abominable system of Copernicus, Galileo, and Newton. Copernicus said “it was not necessary that hypothesis be true so long as calculations agree with calculations,” he did it for speculation; Galileo for accommodation to regulate the planets; and Newton for gravitation, which only accounts for one half the earth's supposed motion, and he died leaving the problem unsolved. Clairant, who followed, gave it up in despair; but Buffon, the naturalist, thought it would not do to let such a sly fox go, so hunted it out of its hole and it has been kept on the course ever

since by scientific huntsmen and misled packs. Professor Rawson in a vote of thanks at The Scientific Institute, said: "The centre of gravitation as worked out by that thinker, Sir Isaac, only explained one half of the earth's motion." We reject the other half, so the thing is gone, and we announce its downfall, so we free all captives.

We were led to compile these 50 scientific facts upon the suggestion of W. Green, Esq., R.N. (Retired Paymaster), Kingston Crescent, who thought such facts would help the cause. Men mistake the electric light of science for the glorious sunshine of nature's fixed truths.

Colonel T. and several on his side think fit to deem Moses and the Prophets fools, and such as we, who believe them, "donkeys." Let them remember that Balaam's ass saw more than his master, and displayed more common sense in her short speech than Balaam did in all his actions. "A fool is wiser in his own eyes than seven men that can render a reason."—*Prov. xxxvi.* 16.

The Earth in shape a wedding cake
With ice cliffs all around,
From forty to four hundred feet,
Each soaring from the ground.

The North Pole is the centre true,
With North Star up above,
The South all round the earth we view
Nor does it ever move.

THE FITTEST MUST SURVIVE.

I remain, dear Fellow Countrymen,

Yours sincerely,

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N.B.—Who will help spread the light? Send to the Author's address, who will write, and circulate literature on the subject.

"Declare His works with rejoicing."

Proclamation on Fifty Facts.

1—The word Astronomy is taken from the Greek words signifying the Laws of the Stars. Astron, a star, Nomos, a law. Nemo, to regulate, a science that explains the regulation of the stars. It is quite distinct from the science of Physical Geography, which belongs entirely to the Earth. For Astronomy we must *look up*; for Geography, *look down*.

2—The Earth belongs not at all to the science of Astronomy as it is not a planet, a star, nor a heavenly body. The mixing of things by speech, which by nature are distinct, causes contradiction, circumlocution and all absurdity.

3—The Earth was created three days before the planets, therefore it is not in the order of planets; it is not a globe, and has never revolved a mile. It must be as fixed as a sun-dial to accomplish the remarkable phenomena, the precision of the equinoxes.

4—A planet is a wandering star; the Earth is not a wandering star. A star is a burning lamp; the Earth is not a burning lamp. The heavenly bodies are in the firmament of the sky; the Earth is not in the sky, nor in the plane of the sun, else when on the Equator you would see the sun in a straight line before you, but it is seen right over head.

The Planets well might blush to own for company
The Earth so vile and stained.

5—The planets have a very eccentric motion. They occasionally slacken their pace, then stop, move backwards on their track, stop again, and finally resume their onward motion. If this occurred to the earth as a planet, everything must go to confusion and destruction, revolving as is supposed several ways at one time.

6—No revolving body whatever was ever made, constructed, or intended for habitation. Show us a revolving body, we show you an uninhabited body. Show us an inhabited body, we show you an unrevolving body.

Ministers of the Church of England, see Homily xxix, paragraph 15, which you vow to abide by at your ordination.

7—The non-revolution of the earth is every moment self-evident; but people have been so hoodwinked that false theories are believed before the testimony of the eyes. If true, no railway engine could keep the metals, as the hand cannot be kept on the drum of a revolving shaft.

8—Every solid building must rest on solid foundations. That the earth is on its foundations is declared by the Master-Builder 30 times over; 12 times it is said to be established or fixed: 4 times on its pillars, once on its sure base that it should not move at any time.

9—At least three-fourths of the world's surface is water; water always finds its level, and moves till it does. Every calm sea is a true level, therefore three-fourths of the world's surface being level, of what use is it to suppose the other quarter globular.

10—The late R. A. Proctor said, "If the sea is proved to be a level there is something wrong in modern Astronomy." Ryde Pier will prove it is, as it should be 16-ft. under sea level, 5 miles across, 5 by 5-25 by 8-in. for rotundity; but it can be seen above the surface of the ocean from Southsea Beach or Point. With the testimony of the arenot, R.A.P. remarked. "Ah! there they have got us, as *the earth always appears concave.*"

11—The River Nile drops but a foot in 1000 miles. The Island of St. Helena can be seen 100 miles at sea. The national flag of a ship can be discerned 15 miles at sea. "Most certainly, Sir, the sea is a level," said a life-long mariner at Point one day. We have heard enough of the baseless vanishing ship theory to make us feel sea-sick all our life, if we live to be 100 years old. There is nothing in it but an optical illusion.

12—To suppose a globular ocean, a globular and revolving earth, and an earth full set in the ecliptic or sun's pathway, is a trio of folly not to be tolerated in the mind of any creature under heaven. Lord, slay England's darling sins of ignorance. *Leviticus iv. 13.*

13—Modern Astronomy is a suicidal science, for if its hypothesis were put in force, no creature could live ten minutes. There is no Nadir, nor point of the heavens immediately under our feet. There are no Antipodes. So Botany Bay is not under London Bridge, as the old lady said she had heard.

14—Nature is never absurd, monstrous, nor ridiculous, nor does it ever arrange for, or supply the unnecessary; but the modern Astronomers do, and have compelled the Press to issue tons of the unnecessary, the absurd, and the ridiculous; have thoroughly humbugged ministers, colleges, schools, platforms, and families in all countries.

15—If ships go out to sea sailing over an orange-shaped ocean, they should as often be seen mountains high above the range of vision as they are constantly seen hull down, which phenomena is owing entirely to angular vision. Mr. Keith says we can only see distinct for 3 miles. By telescope the ship will appear again as on a sheet of glass. I have proved this by the Nab light-ship, &c.

16—The earth is the largest body with a solid crust in the universe. The stability of the earth is due to the immobility of matter, unless acted upon by some exterior force for a given period. If the earth were anything but an irregular plane the Jews must have known it,

as their scientific knowledge was direct from God, through Moses. Daniel declares that "the greatness of the kingdom of the universe is under the whole heaven," not above it.—*Daniel vii. 27.* The ancient Jews always considered the earth as a plane. They would laugh at our astronomers.

17—Mr. Keith says "The voyages of circumnavigators as Cook, Anson and Drake, have been frequently adduced by writers in geography to prove that the earth is a sphere: but when we reflect that all of them sailed westward, and not northward or southward, it is evident that they might have performed the same voyages had the earth been in the form of a drum or cylinder, which it is."

18—Navigation is the art of directing a course, or ascertaining a position (when there are no land marks) by means of objects external to the earth, as the stars, etc.; also by taking a meridian altitude of the sun by a simple addition or subtraction. Mariners would not trust to artificial globes, but to charts as "flat as the surface of the sea."—Keith, p.p. 415.

19—The foundation of modern Astronomy rests on the fiat of Sir Isaac Newton: "The Sun is the centre of the Solar System, and immovable." This foundation was removed when Sir Wm. Herschell discovered the motion of the sun towards Hercules, and the downfall of modern Astronomy should then have been proclaimed.

20—All Astronomers now declare the constant revolution of the sun through the circuit of the heavens and the 12 signs of the Zodiac, which is the sole cause of the regularity of the seasons, and is so proclaimed by divine authority. See *Job xxxviii. 32, R.V. marg.* If the astronomers arrangement of the seasons were correct, four North Stars would be required instead of one, to keep the centre of the earth in its four alternate positions.

21—As the late R. A. Proctor gives a correct and beautiful plate of the "sun's path" through the 12 signs for every month and day in the year, in his picture of the seasons, he had no need of giving another plate to show an "earth's orbit" through the same signs, as such a phenomena has no existence. "Sun's path" cancels "earth's orbit." Nature never allows the unnecessary.

22—The imaginary orbit of the earth was first estimated by Copernicus at 600,000,000 miles; but a successor struck off 410,000,000 thus making it 190,000,000, so mother earth's course was exceedingly curtailed. When we mentioned this to Professor Ranson on Easter Monday, he laughed most heartily, as he did before when we reminded him that one Astronomer had struck off twenty trillions from Bessel's measurement of the star 61 Cigni. The fixed stars cannot be magnified, not even with the Lick telescope in California.

23—The Astronomers have lately struck off 4,000,000 in the apparent distance of the sun from the earth, making it 91,000,000 instead of 95,000,000. Professor E. tells us that they had lately discovered an error in the parallax of the sun's distance of 100,000,000 miles, which

makes our measurement of the sun's distance of 5000 miles correct. We shall never require to strike off 4,000,000.

24—Millions, Billions, and Trillions are trucked about by the Astronomers as though they meant tens, scores, or hundreds; but these all fall to the ground like dead birds, with fright, at a total eclipse of the sun at Portugal, some 200 years ago, when it was darker than midnight.

25—Astronomers have varied about the distance of the sun. Some have estimated it at only three millions; but to suppose the sun at any distance to have power without motion is absurd. Or to suppose a rising and setting sun without *perpetual* motion, is also absurd.

26—The Sun is a concentrated body of light, heat, and attraction, not an expanded substance at all. It is *anima mundi*, the soul of the universe, and as no corporeal being has more than one soul, so the corporeal universe has but *one sun*. The stars are not suns as has been foolishly supposed.

27—The Sun, as we measured it on the ecliptic, and by eclipses last August, is only 5000 miles in diameter, half the diameter of the earth, and not more than 5000 miles—or its own diameter—distant. It could not be seen at all if it were at the distance alleged by modern astronomy, nor could the moon, as the greatest reflector in the universe, derive its light therefrom.

28—Though the prediction of eclipses are correct by the metonic cycle, as used by the Chaldeans, the arrangement for them by modern astronomy is out of all proportions, and rendered impossible.

29—The Moon's diameter is estimated by Joyce at 2,200 miles, and the Sun's diameter is estimated at 882,000 miles. How can a disc that is only 2,200 miles, eclipse a disc the size of the sun at 95,000,000 miles distant. Impossible and absurd. Two bodies to eclipse each other must bear the proportion of at least 3 to 5.

30—The earth's measurement in comparison with the sun is estimated as a mere speck, a dot, a point. A point has position in space, but no magnitude. How can that which has *no magnitude* eclipse *all* magnitude, which the sun is made to represent? Impossible! "We refuse to live on a speck," said an *Evening News* reporter.

31—As the Moon is but a fourth part the diameter of the earth, she is consequently but the fourth part of a speck, a dot, a point. What can be done with that? How can a grain of sand eclipse a pyramid; a speck, St. Paul's; a point of a pin, the Town Hall of Portsmouth? Again we say impossible!

32—It is supposed that an eclipse of the moon is caused by the earth intervening between the sun and moon. The earth is reckoned to travel 1,100 miles per minute; how long would it be passing the moon, travelling herself at 180 miles per minute? Not four minutes. Yet the last eclipse of the moon, on February 28th, lasted 4½ hours; so it could not be the earth intervening, as both luminaries were above the horizon when the eclipse commenced, and the spots of the moon

could be seen distinctly through the shadow; the moon was also seen among the stars. Lieut. Pearce agrees with the writer in the distance of the nearest star at 5,000 miles. How can your hat be trillions of miles away when it is on your head?

33—The Greeks noticed that the stars, planets, and all the heavenly bodies more or less eclipse each other, which proves how near they must be to each other. Mr. Proctor tells us "There are many extinct stars always floating in space which are called dead suns," and says "it might be the case with our sun in 17,000,000 years." All that time for a sun to die; yet it is to be as good as dead at the time of the second advent, which is likely to take place in a few years. What will have become of their millions then? Mr. Proctor and all Rationalistic men mismeasure the days of creation, which are measured, entirely as solar days. If not, then the age of Adam, who lived on the 6th and 7th solar day, must be altered to "And all the days of Adam were five thousand, or five million, 930 years, and he died." However the extinct stars or some unknown planet may effect the eclipse of the moon, or it might be a shadow cast from the surface of the earth, as the angle of refraction always equals the angle of incidence. This is the only phenomena we are not quite satisfied about.

34—The Moon must be on the Ecliptic at the time of the eclipse. The ecliptic is the pathway of the sun, therefore both bodies are at the same distance from the earth at the time, and not more than 5000 miles. There must also be a coincidence of the sun and moon at the time, and the moon must be in one of her nodes, a point in which her orbit intersects that of the sun. She is also among the fixed stars of the Zodiac through which the ecliptic runs, which includes over 1,200 stars; therefore the nearest fixed star Centauri, is not 7,600,000,000 miles off, which would make the railway fare, at 1d. per 100 miles, come to £103,000,000, as lately stated by Sir R. Ball, in Portsmouth Town Hall. We should only have to charge 4s. 2d.

35—The Ecliptic being the pathway of the Sun in the sky, it was sheer madness of Galileo to sit down and lift the earth, in imagination, into the ecliptic. It never was, never is, and never will be there. We might as well suppose a railway engine lifted into the moon. Therefore we strike it off the ecliptic straight.

36—It is stated by astronomers that the sun is 3,000,000 miles nearer to us in the winter than in summer; but it is not so. The sun is, in reality, at least 180 degrees farther away to the south of us on the 21st December than on the 21st June. The sky is like to a molten looking-glass, and the sun travels in a parallel spiral course continually, as Capt. Pary, Dr. Nansen, and others have seen the sun circulate on the northern horizon for 24 hours. So there is only one sun to do it; seeing is believing. See *Westminster Gazette*, February 14th, 1896.

37—There is but one sun required to enlighten the whole of a circular plane; it makes the arc of a circle over one-half of the plane, then another arc of a circle over the other half, setting to Europe and America, while rising to India, Asia and Australia at the same time.

If the earth were a revolving globe we must see all the stars of southern constellations once in a year; but they can only be seen by those living on the Equator.

38—No one is a true Astronomer that does not thoroughly understand the sun, but can only be reckoned an amateur Astronomer, whatever books may be written. At present, the greatest amount of assumption makes the greatest Astronomer. A man, or mind, without assumption, is no Astronomer; but one that assumes that Noah's flood never occurred, though the earth is three-fourths water to prove it, and is also loaded with the greatest amount of mathematical assumption, he is the greatest Astronomer of the age, and is allowed F.R.A.S. to his name—which might stand for "Fellow of the Royal Assumption Society," *versus* Astronomical. Euclid is only assumed demonstration. They make great discoveries of things that never existed, and spend 30 years of their life to explain phenomena that never occurred, as the 2nd axis of rotation.

39—Mathematics is a science of certainty when applied to abstractions in numbers, form, and quality, but pregnant with absurdity when applied to qualities, or metaphysical subjects in which the data is uncertain, or hypothetical or assumed, as in the science of Astronomy.

40—"In the science of Astronomy we only deal with the possible," said Professor Egerton, "but in the science of Chemistry with the actual; we have it before us, therefore it is unassumed." But mathematical Astronomy is a futile source of popular error in which all common and uncommon sense is misled, ever since Galileo announced the mobility of the earth and in imagination beheld it sweeping round the heavens in the precise track followed by the sun. All that the sun lost, the earth was supposed to gain.

41—Sir Richard Phillips in his Million Facts, says: "Nothing therefore can be more impertinent than the assertion of modern writers that the accuracy of astronomical predictions arises from any modern theory." Astronomy is strictly a science of observation, and far more indebted to the false theory of Astrology, than to the equally false and fanciful theory of any modern.

42—We find that four or five thousand years ago, the mean motion of the Sun, Moon and Planets were known to a second, just as at present, and the moon's nodes, the latitudes of the planets, &c., were all adopted by Astrologers in preparing horoscopes for any time past or present. Ephemerides of the planets places, of eclipses, &c., have been published for above 600 years, and were at first nearly as precise as at present.

43—Sir Richard Phillips is utterly opposed to the fanciful theory of gravitation, and says: "It is waste of time to break a butterfly on a wheel, but as astronomy and all science is beset with fancies about attraction and repulsion, it is necessary to eradicate them. Every species and variety of attraction and repulsion are absurd." Gravita-

tion is only another name for weight. What causes the apple to fall on the earth from the tree? Why its own weight, to be sure; nothing more required. Nature never appoints the unnecessary. If a law or object is unnecessary, it does not exist.

44—The stars, or heavenly bodies, are not kept in their orbits by hugging, tugging, and pulling at each other, but are as independent of each other as pedestrians walking the streets. Aristotle declared a grand truism, that between the laws which regulate the celestial and terrestrial systems there is no shadow of affinity whatever.

45—Professor Rawson states "That in some problems of astronomy they are obliged to consider the earth as perfectly at rest;" then why not in all; else they are deceiving people. But since our last lecture at the Albert Hall, he does not believe the earth is a globe. He is not a dogmatical astronomer, and is willing, I understand, to come over on our side at last. So we gained when we
Measured the Sun, and measured the Moon,
Examined the Stars, and were home before noon!

46—No wonder that Professor Woodhouse should say at Cambridge one day that "We have the senses, Scripture, and facts on our side, which they have not, and if their mathematical theories were attacked, the whole range of astronomy does not contain the proof of its own accuracy; and if the public lost confidence in them as the proper authorities, the whole range of modern astronomy must fall to the ground." See *The Earth-not a Globe-Review*, January 1896. In mensuration there must be two sides of a triangle to attain the third by a proper instrument. What the Astronomers have is a vanishing base. We make a fixed base of 10,000 miles, and by equilateral triangle heaven itself is 10,000 miles distant.

47—As the writer (Mr. E. Breach, Poet and Author, with Royal patronage seven times) discovered, and proved by analogy, in the month of November, 1871, that the sun is not larger than the earth, but only half its diameter, 5000 miles; also proved by measurement of the sun on the Ecliptic, in September, 1895, that the sun and all had been mismeasured and misunderstood by Astronomers, as everything is measured in the solar system on the basis of the sun's measurement. We never make a light larger than the place to be enlightened, nor is it ever placed farther away than is necessary; nor do we carry the room round the light, but the light round the room. We therefore declare the DOWNFALL OF MODERN ASTRONOMY.

48—And as on the 1st January, 1896, we discovered and proved immense disproportions and errors in the arrangements for eclipses, though they have always been correctly predicted by the metonic cycle, but which has no more to do with the arrangement and measurement of earth, sun, and moon, than Old Moore's arrangement for the weather has to do with the metrological predictions day by day. We therefore most unhesitatingly and unflinchingly declare the Downfall of Modern Astronomy—a very darling, but most erroneous science—and advise all our fellow-countrymen to do their utmost to

tread it under their feet henceforth and for ever.

49—In *The National Reformer* some time ago, the great leader, Mr. Bradlaugh, said "That modern science had surely sapped the foundation of all supernatural religion." We now beg to assert on the contrary, that supernatural religion has at last sapped the foundation of all modern science, or oppositions of science, falsely so called. The science of God will save you from Rationalism. See 100 Proofs of Fixed Earth and Travelling Sun, price 2d., by E. Breach, to be obtained of Smith and Seal, 71, King's Road, Southsea.

50—Lord Bacon rejected the Copernican theory with scorn, and compared it to a sleek, well-shaped hide, stuffed with rubbish, but containing nothing to eat. He complained that Astronomy had with great injury been separated from natural philosophy, of which it was one of the noblest provinces, and annexed to the domain of mathematics. The world stood in need, he said, of a very different astronomy, of a living astronomy; of an astronomy that should set forth the nature, the motions, and the influences of the heavenly bodies as they really are. Of what value is a theory which is true only on a supposition in the highest degree extravagant? Sweep all such leaven out of your houses for ever. Amen. In the inhabited earth to come, they shall walk no more after the stubbornness of their evil heart.

Let Modern Astronomy go to the winds,
And Natural Astronomy have silver wings;
Since all the king's horses and all the king's men,
Can ne'er set Galileo in triumph again.

50a—As for the Royal Astronomer and all his clan, we shall come Lord Nelson over them—"England expects every man this day to do his duty,"—and at once to change the present accepted theory of the shape of the earth. As the President of the Geographical Society stated at the Portland Hall when Capt. Nares went to the North Pole, "We have found tropical vegetation as far north as Disco. If we find it any farther north we shall have to change the present accepted theory of the shape of the earth." Do it at once, lads, and let's have no more bother. We thank God we are as free from error as we are of the gipsies. But we are determined to rout these stupid, extravagant, outrageous errors imposed upon the public for over 300 years, and thereby one priest has been the means of deceiving the whole educated world.

(Signed) In the name of the Chaldeans, the real founders of Astronomy; the Egyptians, Chinese, Greeks, and Romans, the true promoters; in the name of Hipparchus, the father and prince of Astronomers; in the name of Ptolemy, whose system continued 1400 years unopposed; in the name of Tycho Brahe, the greatest observational astronomer the world ever saw, who built an observatory on purpose to oppose that system; and in the name of Lord Bacon, and all that have not been misled, this day and for ever.

Bible Astronomy.

"The works of the Lord are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein."—Ps. cxi. 2.

I.—The Firmament, or Heavens.

(These terms, like the word TENT, are often used to denote the space enclosed, as well as the structure enclosing it).

"And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament." GEN. i. 7.

"The windows (or 'flood-gates', *margin*) of heaven were opened." GEN. vii. 11. So that the waters from above the firmament poured forth at the time of the flood.

"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament sheweth His *handy-work*." Ps. xix. 1.

"Canst thou with Him spread out the sky which is strong as a molten mirror?" JOB xxxvii. 18, R.V.

"The likeness of a firmament, like the colour of the terrible crystal (or 'ice', *margin*, R.V.), stretched forth over their heads above." EZEK. i. 22.

"He that buildeth His chambers in the heaven, and hath founded His vault upon the earth." AMOS ix. 6, R.V.

"He walketh on the vault of heaven." JOB xxii. 14, *margin*, R.V.

"He that created the heavens and stretched them forth." Is. xlii. 5, R.V.

"He that sitteth above the circle of the earth . . . that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in." Is. xl. 22, R.V.