and dispensations in the work of man’s redemption. Beginning with the choice of individuals, from righteous Seth to faithful Abraham, He next chooses the family of Israel, which grew into a nation professing in fulness of time the great Deliverer. During the Gospel Age this Deliverer, Jesus, has been choosing from among all nations a body of ecclesia, to rule with Him in the coming age over a renovated world and a resurrected race consisting of a multitude that no man can number. From the present visible typical creation, the six days of which fore-shadowed the six thousand years now closing, God has been advancing to the new creation—spiritual, heavenly, evocating—of which the Son of God is the Head.

Mr Darwin, with all the confidence of an eye-witness, says in his Descent of Man: “The early progenitors of man were no doubt covered with hair. Their eyes were pointed and capable of movement and their b diets were provided with a tail. The fact was preternatural and our progenitors were no doubt arboreal in their habits. This means in plain English that Adam and Eve were a couple of dumb, brutish, irrational apes skipping through forests or swinging by the branches of trees. Also, At an earlier period the progenitors of man must have been aquatic in their habits.” Sharks or lampreys, perhaps? Then he traces our pedigree further back even to the jelly fish which he thinks (contrary to etymology) the link between vertebrate and invertebrate animals. But Professor Haeckel, with an entire absence of proof, begins evolution with animalcules (which, having no organs or fixed shape, cannot be animals at all) originating by spontaneous generation; that is, they willed their own existence into existence before they had either a form or substance. Next these animalcules grew into worms, which grew into ascidians; and the ascidians into fishes, fishes into frogs, frogs into mammals, birds, and reptiles; lemurs into monkeys, lastly monkeys into men. Mr Darwin does not prove or account for the natural laws supposed to produce the variations; whilst writing only as a naturalist, he prudently avoids the mental revolution so indispensable to the question, failing to bridge over the impassable chasm between mere necessities and the mind of man divinely revealed as the image of His Creator—all the evidence of which I desire further back even to the jelly fish, which he thinks (contrary to etymology) the link between vertebrate and invertebrate animals.

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We here have LIGHT WITHOUT THE SUN, that orb not being created until the FOURTH DAY; Modern Astronomy assumes ALL LIGHT TO emanate from the sun.

And God made two great lights, the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night; the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness.” Gen. I. 14-16.

The Sun to rule by day . . . The Moon and stars to rule by night . . . Ps. CXXXVI. 8-9.


And God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was very good.” . . . Gen. I. 31.

The pillars of the earth are the Lord’s, and He hath set the world upon them.” 1 Sam. II. 8.

Of old hast Thou laid the foundation of the earth.” . . . Ps. CII. 25.

Ye enduring foundations of the earth.” Micah VI. 2.

Thou hast established the earth, and it abideth.” (or standeth) Ps. CXIX. 90.

The world also is established that it cannot be moved.” Ps. XVII. 10. Ps. CCYIII. 1.

Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth?”

Who hath laid the measures thereof (or strata of the earth) if thou knowest? or who hast stretched the line upon it?

Whereupon are the foundations (sockets) thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof.”Job. XXXVIII. 4-6.

Hebrew, “Tasad esets al meloneha al timoth olam vaoed” which is rendered, (God), Who founded the earth on its bases that it should not be moved for ever and aye.” Ps. CIV. 5.

For He hath founded it (The Earth) upon the seas and established it upon the floods.” Ps. XXIV. 2.

The Bible v Neo-Science.

BY ICONOCLAST.

A few extracts for reasonable and consistent Christians to meditate upon, after which they may be led to inquire, whether The Bible is not truly scientific, and therefore the assumptions of Modern Theoretical Astronomy and, the (so-called) Sciences ramifying from it, are in direct antagonism with the Book on which their Christianity is based.

"For if ye believed Moses, ye would believe Me, for he, wrote of Me, but if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe My words?” John V. 46-47.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.” Gen. I. 1.

"And the evening and the morning were the first day.” Gen. I. 5.

"And God said, Let there be light! and there was light;”

"And God saw the light, that it was good, and God divided the light from the darkness.” Gen. I. 3-4.
"O give thanks to the Lord of lords, that by wisdom made the heavens, and that stretched out The earth (land) above the waters." Ps. CXXXVI. 6.

"For this they wilfully forget, that there were heavens from of old, and an earth compacted out of water and amidst (in) water by the Word of God, by which means, the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished." 2 Peter III. 5.


The foregoing Passages, and those that follow are in direct antagonism with the Suppositions of the whole of Modern Theoretical Science; both cannot be true. Therefore, before ignoring or condemning Bible teaching, it is the duty of thinkers to first prove which side is right, as only the unthinking or hypocritical profess to accept both. The Truth is magnified by strict and unbiassed investigation, and does not require wrapping-up in crafty-question-begging—Sophistry; such hypothetical juggling only tends to warp the mind, and often leads people to Doubt, if not avowed Infidelity.

"Thus saith the Lord, if heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel." Jer. XXXI. 37.

"For He looketh to the ends of the earth and seeth under the whole heaven." Job. XXVIII. 24.

"Again the devil taketh Him up into an exceeding high mountain and sheweth Him all the Kingdoms of that region." . . . Matt. IV. 8.

"Under the sun, . . . under heaven." . . . Ecc. I.

"That spreadeth abroad the Earth." (land) Isa. XLIV. 24.

"My right hand hath spread out the heavens," Isa. XLVIII. 13.

"Canst thou with Him spread out the sky, which is strong as a molten mirror?" Job. XXXVII. 18.

"The likeness of a firmament . . . stretched forth over their heads above." Ecc. I. 22.

"There is a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's (or eagle's) eye hath not seen, the lion's whelps have not trodden it, nor the fierce lion pass by it," Job. XXVIII. 7. 8.

"He that setteth above the circle of the earth . . . that stretched out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent, . . . Isa. XL II.

"When He established the heavens I was there, when He set a circle upon the face of the deep, when He made firm the skies above." Prov. VII. 27-28.

"He hath described (or placed) a boundary upon the face of the waters, unto the confines of light and Darkness." Job. XXVI. 10.

The four preceding passages, clearly describe the SOUTHERN CIRCUMFERENTIAL and IMPASSABLE Icy Barrier of the WORLD, (where unthinking people ASSUME they should fall off or over.) Vide Vasco di Gama's, Cook's and Sir James Ross' Antarctic Voyages.

"Hebrew. ‘Nothah tsaphon al-tohn toleh erets al-halgamah.’ (or halfmah) Job. XXVI. 7 which is rendered, ‘He spreadeth out the North over the empty waste, (or desolation) and hangeth (or supporteth) the earth (land) upon nothing but the firmament of His power, (the waters of the Great Deep).’ Vide Adam Clarke and other Comm."

To hang or support, in this case, completely excludes the idea of motion more especially so, in connection with an ASSUMED Sea-earth-globe of 25,000 miles circumference, ASSUMED to have many motions, one of which is that of flashing through ASSUMED space at the brain-reeling-speed of 19 miles per second. It would be as same, and consistent to talk of supporting or hanging-up flashes of Lightning, as of such a sea-earth-globe under the SUPPOSED conditions.

"The same day were all the fountains of The Great Deep broken up," Gen. VII. 11. (One of the most expressively significant passages in the Bible.)

And all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven were covered Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail, and the mountains were covered." Gen. VII. 19. 20.

"The Almighty shall bless thee with the blessing of heaven above, and blessings of the deep that lieth under." Gen. XLIX. 25.

"Blessed be his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep which crowneth beneath." Deut XXXIX. 13.

"Or in the waters under the earth," Exo. XX. 4.

"Or the likeness of anything that is in the waters beneath the earth," Deu. IV. 18.

"Heaven above . . . earth beneath . . . waters beneath the earth." Deu. V. 8.

"As for the earth, out of it cometh bread, and under it is turned up as it were fire." Job. XXVIII. 5.

"In them (the heavens) hath He set a tabernacle for the sun, which riseth out of it cometh up, (or coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a bridegroom that run a race. His going forth is from the end of the heaven and his circuit unto the ends of it." Ps. XIX. 4-6.

"The sun also (zarach) bursts forth, and the sun (bn) goes in, (or away) and hasteth to his place where he (zarach) bursts forth," Ecc. I. 5.

"Let them that love The Lord, be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might." Judges V. 31.

"And he (The Lord) brought the shadow of (the sun) ten degrees backward, by which it had gone down in the (sun) dial of Ahaz." II Kings. XX. 11.

"So the sun returned ten degrees." Is. XXXVIII. 8.

"Sun, stand thou still upon Gibbon I and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon I and the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, . . . Josh. X. 12-13"

"The Sun and Moon stood still in their habitation." Hab. III. 11.

"And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth." Rev. VI. 13.
This last passage IN THE SO-CALLED LIGHT OF MODERN ASTROMONY amounts to downright Balderdash.

We may now glance at a few significant passages from the Old and New Testament Apocryphas, which may be of interest IF NOT AUTHORITY.

Old Testament Apoc :  
"In the beginning, when the earth was made, before the borders of the world stood, or ever the winds blew," II. Esdras VI. 1.  
"Let the earth be made, and it was made, let the heaven be made and it was created."  
"In His word were the stars made,"  
"He hath shut the sun in the midst of the waters, and with his word hath He hanged (or supported) the earth upon the waters." II. Esdras XVI. 55-61.  
"He spreadeth out the heavens like a vault; upon the waters hath He founded it." (The Earth).  
"He made man, and put his heart in the midst of the body, and gave him breath, life and understanding." II. Esdras XVI. 55-61.  
"Great is the Earth; high is the heaven, swift is the sun in its course, for he compasseth the heavens round about, and fetcheth his course again to his own place in one day." I. Esdras IV. 34.  
"For the dumb water, and without life (at God's command) brought forth living things." II. Esdras VI. 45. also 38-47.  
"The mountains also and foundations of the earth shall be shaken with trembling, when the Lord looketh upon them." Ecc. XVI. 19.  
"In his time (Isaiah’s) the sun went backward." Ecc. XLVIII. 23.  
"Did not the sun go back by his (Joshua’s) means? and was not one day as long as two?" Ecc. XLVI. 4.  
The whole of Ecc. XLIII is most expressively antagonistic to Modern Theoretical Astronomy, and the so-called Science which ramifies from it.

New Testament Apoc :  
"Unconstant, not knowing the Majesty of God, how great and wonderful He is who created The World." II. Her. Com. XII. 19.  
"Who with the word of His strength fixed the heavens, and founded the earth upon the waters." I. Hermas. Vis. I. 39.  
"And even the world itself is upheld (or supported) by the four elements." I. Her. Vis. III. 133. Vida, Literis Astronom. by "PALALLAX" Chap 13.  
Now then consistent and reasonable Christians! confronted by these passages from your own Text Book, (irrespective of those from the Apocryphas) EXCEPT YOU DELIBERATELY IGNORE THEM, or resort to subterfuges extraordinary, AWAY MUST GO THE PRIME HYPOTHESIS of the "GLOBULARITY and mad-whirling-flashing-motions of this World," with the closely related assumption of "Universal Gravitation," and consequently the assumed and unproved Inconceivable Distances and Magnitudes of all things celestial, the Plurality of Worlds, Myriads of suns and their various systems, the Profundities of ether-filled Limitless-Space. The undefinable-Periods of Geological-Times.

Atomic-Origin of all Things celestial and terrestrial, and other Evolutionary-quagmires; disbelief in "The Creation," and "The Universal Flood," ignorance as to the meaning of the words Up, Down, Above, Below, Under and Over; and all the other BEOFUGING AND UNPROVEABLE ASSUMPTIONS, along with the mystical and sophistical arguments and contradictions of Modern Theoretical Astronomy, and the numerous (so-called) Scientific Hypotheses connected with, and ramifying from it, and without which, It could not possibly exist.

If you persist in stultifying your senses and reasoning faculties, thus ALLOWING WITHOUT PROOF all the brood of Suppositions and assertions of Modern Theoretical Astronomy, then, The Bible with all Its Facts, can be quietly ignored, or at best considerably whittled-away, as IN THE SO-CALLED LIGHT of the Modern Theoretical Assumptions, It is covertly hinted, or openly stated to be nothing more than a collection of Childish fables and absurd myths, therefore, not worthy even the notice of Agnostic-Infidels, much less the respect and absolute confidence of those CALLING THEMSELVES Christians, no matter of what denomination: BUT, with a knowledge of THE VITAL AND FUNDAMENTAL TRUTH, that THE WORLD IS NOT A GLOBE, the way becomes clear and intelligible, The Biblical Records standing out bright and sharp as unmistakable FACTS and ACTUAL REALITIES, thus proving to the centre the Impregnability of the Rock of Holy Scripture, notwithstanding the assaults made upon It by MODERN-EDUCATIONALLY-BIASED, and misdirected minds.

"The two beliefs"—Modern Astronomy and The Bible.—  
"cannot be held together in the same mind, he who thinks he believes both, has thought very little of either."—Thomas Paine. "Age of Reason."  
"If Moses can be shown to be caught red-handed in ignorance or error, what shall we think of The Christ who quoted and referred to him as an authority." Present Day Atheist.  
"I had been told so often that The Bible was no authority on scientific questions, that I was lulled almost into a state of lethargy."  
"If it shall turn out that Joshua was superior to La Place, that Moses knew more about geology than Humboldt, that Job as a scientist was the superior of Kepler, that Isaiah knew more than Copernicus . . . then I will admit that Infidelity must become speechless for ever." "Ingersoll's Tilt with Talmage."  
"In whatever way or manner may have occurred this business (Modern Theoretical Astronomy, and the Modern Elementary Theoretical Science) I must still say that I curse this Modern Theory of Cosmogony, and hope that perchance there may appear in due time some young Scientist of genius who will pick up courage to upset this universally disseminated delirium of lunatics."  

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