

terpretation of the dreams of two of the king's servants, After two years he was called out of prison by Pharaoh, and upon his interpreting that prince's dreams, foreboding the seven years of plenty, and the seven years of famine, that were to come upon the earth, on account of the wise counsel he gave on that occasion, he was promoted by the king, and made governor over all Egypt. His brothers, forced by the famine, came into Egypt to buy corn, which was sold out under his direction. Having known them, though they knew him not, (for he spoke to them by an interpreter,) he charged them with being spies, and treated them so harshly, as to occasion them to say to each other, "We deserve to suffer these things, because we have sinned against our brother, seeing the anguish of his soul, when he besought us, and we would not hear; therefore is this affliction come upon us:" not knowing that he understood them, much less that he was the person. Joseph, on hearing this, turning aside for a while, wept, and sent them home with a charge, that at their return they should bring their youngest brother with them: and ordering his steward to supply them with corn, and to put every man's money into his sack. At their second coming, after keeping them some time in suspense, he made himself known to them with many tears, in the most moving manner, graciously excusing all they had done against him, embracing and weeping over each of them. After which he sent for his father Jacob, with his whole family, into Egypt, and gave them there the land Gessen: and thus it was that the children of Israel became inhabitants of Egypt, where they sojourned above two hundred years.

§ 10. *The History of holy Job.*

This holy man is believed to have lived during the