

thrown by revelation on the neighbouring nations ; the Egyptians, Babylonians, Medes and Persians, Tyre and Sidon, &c. idolatrous nations of old, punished by divine judgments ; so are christian nations now ; examples ; the first christian nations have disappeared ; the seven Churches of Asia ; what qualifications does religion demand on the part of Rulers ? on the part of the people ? what principles give strength and stability to nations ? how far the Jewish revelations enlightened the nations around them.

LECTURE 6th—APRIL 15th.

Three great principles established by the Jewish dispensation—1st. That an intimate alliance ought to subsist between Church and State ; 2nd. That an Ecclesiastical Establishment is necessary and essential to the happiness and well-being of every people or nation ; 3rd. That it should be supported at the public expense, and the form of public worship such as the people are capable of understanding.

The same principles enforced by the Christian dispensation ; the wickedness, infidelity and guilt, of professing Christians, who try to separate Church and State ; civil and religious institutions inseparably connected by the appointment of Heaven, and the constitution of human nature ; infidel nations can neither be durable nor prosperous ; and all nations infidel who do not recognize an established form of Christian Worship ; the piety, virtue, order and freedom of nations, can only flow from the practice of Gospel principles.