

## “WHAT SHALL THE END BE?”



SCHATOLOGY—the study of the last things—such is our theme; and we propose to discuss the questions: What should we hold and teach respecting the Eternal Future? What is the Final Destiny of all Mankind? What shall The End Be?

And surely no subject connected with Religion is of more, or indeed, at the present time, of so much, importance; and, moreover, it is one upon which we cannot afford to keep silent. The Christian world is stirred to the very depths on this question, not only on this continent, but even more so in the old country, as is evidenced by the vast number of books, pamphlets, magazine-articles and pulpit utterances, which have lately issued from the press, all upholding various views regarding this most momentous question. Nor is the agitation confined to the Anglican Church, though it is there more marked; for all religious bodies are more or less exercised thereby.

And well they might be. For my part, I think this general restlessness is a good sign; it shows that the heart of the great Christian world is expanding. Hitherto the Pilgrim of the Narrow Way was too often content to ask,