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perpetrated in it, and the utter defilement inflicted upon it, the fires said to have been kept burning in it in order to consume the corrupt objects that were thrown into it, made it the natural and unmistakable symbol of dire evil, torment, wasting penalty and absolute, eternal ruin.

Now, what does this terrible figure in the language of our Lord plainly teach upon the subject of the *final* doom of the impenitent? There are several things made clear in the term used. Gehenna was outside the city, and so the final abode of torment will be outside the New Jerusalem, which cometh down from God out of Heaven (Rev. 21 :8, 27). Gehenna was the place for refuse and for all that was defiling and loathsome. The future Gehenna will be exactly the same, for "there shall in no wise enter into it (the New Jerusalem) anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie, but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."

As a type, in fact as the old narrow gorge, Gehenna has served its purpose and passed away; but