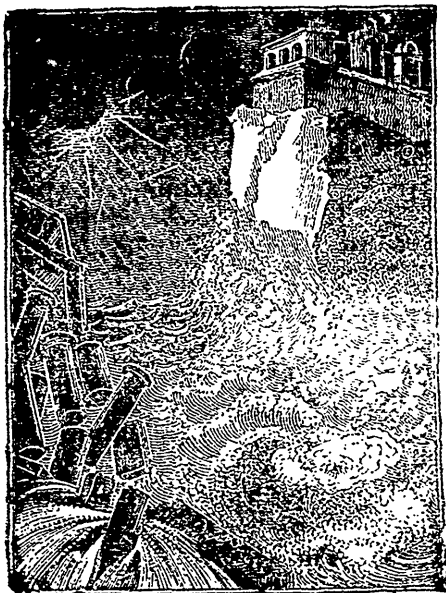


a small hill or lofty mountain. It begins at the northern extremity of the sea of Galilee, at Chorazin—it receives, the Arabs say, twenty rivulets along the valley of Jordan, and falls into the lake Asphaltés, or the Dead Sea; its length being about seventy miles. Where

Burckhardt crossed, it was eighty paces broad and three feet deep. In the winter season it still continues to inundate the narrow part of the valley.

(To be continued.)



FOR THE INSTRUCTOR.

Therefore whoso ever heareth these sayings of mine and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock; and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house, and it fell not, for it was founded upon a rock.—And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man that built his house upon the sand; and the rains descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.

MATT. VII. 24—27.

Although moral law may be as perfect as infinite wisdom can make it, and as plain as human language can express it—though it may be guarded by the most weighty sanctions, and the propriety and benefit of obedience to it may be obvious to every mind—yet, such is the depravity of man, that he will

either refuse to obey, or so interpret the law to accommodate it to his vicious propensities, that it becomes almost totally neutralised.

„The decalogue, though denounced from Sinai amid the most awful and terrifying scenes—though it was declared that “the soul that sinneth shall die”—yet, solemn as was