

fully to understand and appreciate the saying of the Apostle, that "*we have also a more sure word of prophecy, whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place.*"

With reference to what is said in stanzas xxxviii. and xxxix., I cannot avoid pointing out the strange, and what I should call extravagant, conclusions of a writer having a name among poets which mine can little expect to ~~approach~~, *La Martine*, in his *Souvenirs pendant un Voyage en Orient*. He is so carried away by whatever strikes his imagination through the senses, as to seem often quite in raptures with the Turks, and in one place he actually says, "I love this people, for they are the people of prayer." Yet, in other parts of his work, he records horrors and atrocities perpetrated by certain emirs and other worthies, without violating the public sentiment of the country, to