

6 Horses and carriages and slaves ;
 And the lives of men.
 The dainties that thy soul longed for are gone from thee, 14
 And all thine elegance and splendour have perished,
 7 And never again shall they be found.
 They who traded in these things, who grew wealthy through 15
 her,
 Will stand afar off, struck with terror at her punishment,
 Weeping aloud and sorrowing, and saying,
 8 'Alas, alas ; for this great city, 16
 Which was brilliantly arrayed in fine linen, and purple and
 scarlet stuff,
 And beautified with gold, jewels and pearls ;
 Because in one short hour all this great wealth has been 17
 9 laid waste !'
 And every shipmaster and every passenger by sea
 And the crews and all who ply their trade on the sea
 10 Stood afar off, and cried aloud 18
 When they saw the smoke of her burning ; and they
 said,
 'What city is like this great city ?'
 And they threw dust upon their heads, 19
 And cried out, weeping aloud and sorrowing.
 11 'Alas, alas,' they said, 'for this great city,
 In which, through her vast wealth, the owners of all the
 12 ships on the sea have grown rich ;
 Because in one short hour she has been laid waste !'
 Rejoice over her, O Heaven, 20
 And you saints and apostles and prophets ;
 For God has taken vengeance on her because of you."
 Then a single angel of great strength took a 21
 13 The Ruin of
the City is
complete. stone which resembled a huge millstone, and
 hurled it into the sea, saying,
 "So shall Babylon, that great city, be violently hurled down
 and never again be found.
 No harp or song, no flute or trumpet, shall ever again be 22
 heard in thee ;
 No craftsman of any kind shall ever again be found in
 thee ;
 Nor shall the grinding of the mill ever again be heard in
 thee.
 Never again shall the light of a lamp shine in thee, 23