

merce, war, society and legislative hail repose in peace. Here, for ever they sleep while the sweet music of morning praise, evening anthem and vesper song roll on unceasingly beneath arch and dome.

Temple of History! Temple of Silence! Temple of Reconciliation! Together they sleep. Social rivals, political opponents and imperial contestants, Canning and Castlereagh, Fox and Pitt, Gladstone and Disraeli, Dryden and Shadwell, Queen Elizabeth and Mary Queen of Scots. Together they sleep, after the battle, after the conflict, after the storm, after the contest, "after life's fitful fever."

Charles, I, asked Ben Johnson, if he had any request to make, and Ben Johnson replied: "Yes, it is this, that I might have 'standing room' in Westminster Abbey." And the king granted him his request. He lies buried upright in the **great Abbey**, and on his tombstone is inscribed these words: "O Rare Ben Johnson."

Yonder stands the Tower of London. The history of London Tower would be the history of England. Here stands the most interesting fortress in the world. I have stood in four great castles, Edinburgh Castle, Stirling Castle, Windsor Castle and the Tower of London. What strange elements of history enter in as we contemplate this ancient prison, palace, armory, execution ground and treasure house. Walls sixteen feet deep! Dungeons and scores of feet beneath the ground! What towers of strength! The White Tower, the Bloody Tower, the Bell Tower, the Middle Tower, the Deveroux Tower, the Wakefield Tower, the Cobham Tower and the Tower of Saint Thomas. Have you stood beneath the frowning masonry of the London Tower?

Behold the swift procession of the years. London Tower was founded by William the Conqueror, in the year 1078, in order to guard and protect the City of London. What memories linger! What shadows hover! What suggestions arise! What thoughts brood! What indignations kindle! What fancies take possession of the soul as we stand in its halls or wander through its corridors! Here Richard Baxter was imprisoned and suffered as a puritan. Here dukes have been betrayed and earls assassinated. Here kings have been banqueted and queens adorned. Here Protestants have died for the truth and Roman Catholics for their religion.

Here Queen Elizabeth was born and guarded as a prisoner. Here Sir Walter Raleigh wrote his history of the world. Here Thomas Wentworth wrote his last letter to a deceitful monarch. Here Ann Bolyne came as a bride and