## INTRODUCTION.

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Q. Wherein are contained the most ancient events?

A. The most ancient events are contained in the Old Testament; this admirable book gives an account of the Creation of the world, the fall of our first Parents, &c.

Q. How many years from the Creation of the world to the birth of Christ?

A. It is commonly said to be four thousand and four years.

Q. How is Ancient History distinguished ?

A. It is distinguished by the rise and fall of the four great Empires: Assyria, Persia, Greece and Rome.

Q. For what is Modern History distinguished?

A. Modern History is distinguished for the invention of gunpowder, the art of printing, and the discovery of America.

Q. What are the Middle Ages ?

A. The Middle Ages embrace a period, extending from the decline of the Western Empire of the Romans, to the fall of the Eastern Empire.

Q. How are the Middle Ages distinguished ?

A. They are distinguished by the rise of Mahometanism, the Feudal System, Crusades, and Chiralry.