

huts, or in holes in the ground. They do not live near the North Pole, because they would be frozen to death. We would not like to live at all in these dreary regions; but we like indeed to live in this zone which is one of the best because the climate of it is good for the health. It is better than some parts of the world. The people in the arctic regions live on the meat of bears and seals, and other animals, and they are fond of them.

The snow lasts a few months in winter. It is useful to keep the ground warm till spring comes, the snow will go away, so the ground yields grain, grass, trees, and other things fast. The water of the Oceans is not covered with ice, except the Arctic and Antarctic Oceans. There is more Water than Land on the earth. The Earth is hollow in the interior and it is supposed to be filled with fire and inflammable gasses.

We dont know for certain where hell is. The extent of the Earth is 197,000,000 of square miles. The torrid zone is the warmest part of the earth. The sun is very hot there. Snow is never seen. The tropics supply the people with fruits, bread fruits, sugar, coffee, and other tropical productions, and are noted for their gold, silver, and diamonds. We would be very warm if we should go there. Africa has the fewest rivers and lakes of any part of the world. America on which we live, was formerly inhabited wholly by Indians. It is noted for its immense forests and lakes and its mighty rivers. The population of the world is about 1000,000,000. Almighty God holds the earth, when it goes round the sun every moment. How powerful and kind He is! So we must be grateful to him, for his great protecting us. The sky seems to be near the earth when we look up; but it is very far off from here.

There are stars, moon and sun in the sky which shine over the world that we may see the way in which we walk. God is kind that he made them to give light upon the world. God is everywhere and can see us all and preserves us at all times. God so loved the world that he let his only begotten Son come into the world. Jesus Christ died on the cross for us with a great deal of patience. The Angels in Heaven never quarrel with each other. If we repent of our sins and trust in Jesus, He shall let us go to Heaven and be with him and the Angels forever.

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#### THE ROMANS.

The Romans were the people of Rome which formerly was the mistress of the whole world, as Great Britain is now. After our Lord's ascension the Romans with a large army under General Titus invaded the land of promise, and besieged Jerusalem for several months. The Jews could not go out or come in to get provisions for themselves, and they were in terrible want of it, therefore they killed their sons, and daughters and also killed rats or mice for food. There was an awful famine. One of the Romans set fire to the Temple, which was at Jerusalem. This was foretold to the disciples by our Saviour, and it was fulfilled. Afterwards the Jews were scattered over the earth,

Before the Christian Era the Romans went to Great Britain, to see what sort of land it was, after finding that it was very good, they came with an army under Julius Cæsar, and invaded it, but they could not con-