

On the day of his justification, Samuel said to the people :

"I will call unto the Lord, and He shall send thunder and rain.
* * * * And the Lord sent thunder and rain that day : and all the people greatly feared the Lord and Samuel."

Then follows Elijah's prophecy of the famine in Israel, and his warning to Ahab to fly before the rain, after the sacrifice on Carmel.

Isaiah wrote :

"It is He that sitteth upon the circle of the earth." "I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place." "The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard."

How did he know of these things, if not familiar with astronomy and meteorology?

Ezekiel, predicting the destruction of the Russian armies, after the future restoration of Israel, utters this fearful prophecy :—

"Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the Prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him. * * * * When Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord God, my fury shall come up in my face. * * * * Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel. * * * * And the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall. * * * * And I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone."

These are the features of a great earthquake.

The Saviour Himself, says :—

"When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather ; for the sky is red : and in the morning, It will be foul weather to-day ; for the sky is red and lowering. * * Ye can discern the face of the sky ; but can ye not discern the signs of the times ?"

And the humble fishermen said, "What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?" A little later, Christ utters His prophecy against Jerusalem and the earth itself, when there shall be great earthquakes, famine, and pestilence, and fearful sights, and great signs from Heaven.

Is not this a brilliant array to whom we can point with pride, not to mention those on our side among the moderns?