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CHRISTIAN IDEA OF SACRIFICE.

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HEB. x.1—8, 9. "The law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually, make the comers thereunto perfect.

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He said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldst not, neither hadst pleasure therein, which are offered by the law; Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second."

We meet this morning, my friends, within the walls of a renewed—I may say of a new—temple. Two summers have passed since the walls of the former building were dismantled and removed to make way for the larger one which we now occupy. As the result of some sacrifice,