

say, the caterpillar thus attacked goes on feeding and apparently thriving quite as well as those that have escaped. But when the period arrives for the close of the larva-life, then the evil is made manifest. Caterpillars assume the pupa-state from which they emerge butterflies ; and it is then that the difference appears between those that have escaped the parasites and those that were the victims of them. Beautiful and awful analogy ! There are many who, as to the outside, look like other men. They dress well, look well. The sin is preying only on their immortal part ; and when they have laid aside that which merely belonged to their physical life, then the soul shall stand, with all its poverty and scars and shrivelled places, naked and open. "The kingdom of heaven is within you," said Christ to His followers : so are the elements of hell in other men.

Prodigious is the inconsistency of some modern reasoners. They believe in the future life of the soul. They see that the man is the development of the boy, and that the acts of the youth leave their impress on the whole after life. They say law is inflexible, and that miracles therefore are impossible. They affirm that justice is so exact that its penalty must fall on its proper victim, and that therefore Christ's death is not vicarious. But somehow, at this point, all their reasoning falls to