

re-union of human souls to the loved ones long lost and gone before. Thus the existence of a God is still at least possible even to the agnostic; and this possibility carries with it that of all the dread and glorious realities of the unseen world.

Huxley's great merits gained for him a wide distinction and many honours. Few scientific men in England could boast so long a list of foreign honorary titles; and in his own country he was loaded with University honours and the Presidencies of the greatest scientific bodies, as well as distinctions in the gift of the crown.

It was on the early voyage in the *Rattlesnake* that Huxley met his future wife, at Sydney, New South Wales. They became engaged after a short acquaintance, but the ship had to leave Sydney in a few days, and it was seven years before they met again. But so soon as Huxley secured a fixed position he claimed his bride. Their union was a most happy one, and Mrs. Huxley still survives her husband.