NOTES TO THE FOURTH READER

He appointeth . . riches.—A graphic picture of the results of the division of day from night, light from darkness, the work of the fourth day.

Manifold-great in number and variety.

294. So is . . therein.—" Yonder is the sea, great and wide," Revised Version.

Leviathan. — Supposed to be the crocodile or some other great animal of the Saurian species.

That thou givest . . gather.— Some translate without the *that*: 'Thou givest to them, they gather." They gather what God gives, and God gives all they gather.

He looketh . . smoke. — If these expressions refer to the earthquake and the volcano, respectively, no image could more strikingly illustrate God's continued power over His works.

The glory ... praise ye the Lord. — The psalm closes with celebrating the everlasting glory of Jehovah, and His delight in the works of His creation; expressions of confidence in Him, and a prayer that the defilement of sin may be taken away from His beautiful universe.

XCVIII. NATIONAL MORALITY.

295. Permanent-lasting!

Coronets—inferior crowns worn by noblemen. There are distinct coronets for the British duke, marquis, earl, viscount, and baron.

Mitre—a covering for the head of the Pope, bishops, cardinals, and certain other church dignitaries, worn only on special occasions. The mitre is in the shape of a lofty cap with two peaks.

Adequate—equal to the necessity of the case.

296. The most ancient . . historians. — Herodotus, the Gréek historian, often called the "Father of History."

Scimitar—a short sword with a convex edge, or the point curved backward, used by the Turks, Persians, etc. Spelled also scimiter, scymetar, and cimeter.

Mars—the Roman name of the god of war, from which our word *martial* is derived.

Scythians—the people of Ancient Scythia. Where is Scythia?

No political power.—A wonderful change has been wrought in England since this speech was delivered twenty-eight years ago. At that time the lower and laboring classes were almost wholly without votes. Successive reform bills have extended the franchise to almost all classes of citizens. The Franchise Bill of 1885 alone added between two and three millions to the number of voters.

297. Gentle nature, etc.—Referring, no do bt, to ladies in the audience.

Urim and Thammin—some kind of emblem or decoration worn on the breastplate of the High Priest when serving at the altar. It is not known exactly what these emblems were. See Exodus xxxiii. 30.

Oraculous—having the nature of an oracle, being instruments or symbols of divine inspiration. This is a rare form of the word. *Oracular* is more common.

I. Write short sentences containing the words:—renown, pomp, statesmanship, adequate, repudiate, instinct, topic, in their proper sen...

II. Write a sentence or sentences illustrating the different senses in which the following words are sometimes used :—condition, fair, profane, main, sensibly. la: be

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