

jects discussed, and have selected, blended, and with a great deal of compression, combined all these with my own views ; so that I may be warranted in asserting that this work expresses my own sentiments. And although I have a good deal used, in many places, Mr. E.'s phraseology ; yet that itself, to a considerable extent, is the phraseology of previous writers.

There are several views and sentiments in Mr. E.'s commentary with which I do not coincide, especially in his Pre-millennial views of the advent of Christ, his personal reign, the literal gathering of the Jews to Palestine, the first and second resurrection, and the time and order of the reconstruction of the earth ; with several other points. And there are many things in this little production not to be found in Mr. E.'s or any other writings which I have consulted. Those persons who are familiar with writings of this kind cannot fail to recognize many things of this nature in the volume now issued. I shall not even enumerate these points ; only noting that I am firmly assured in my own mind that they are improvements.

Indeed circumstances of this kind are among the principal reasons for the existence of this publication. Mr. E. and Dr. C. are generally admirable as far as the fulfilled portions of the revelations go. There had never been anything in these respects equal to Mr. E.'s exposition previously published. But the press groans under writings of a Pre-millennial character, and I felt deeply anxious that there should appear some thing on the Apocalypse containing