imagined, though, that the meaning of so many statements would have been misapprehended in the way in which they have, I should have endeavored, even at the risk of being charged with repetition and prolixity, to avoid the possibility of being misunderstood. But I never anticipated, much less expected, so much misconception. However, because the critical reviewers have clearly grasped my meaning on every point, I am inclined to think that misconception has arisen rather from the nature of the subject than from the character of the discussion.

Neither the country nor the Church seems to have been so well prepared for a scientific investigation of prophetic Scripture as I had naturally supposed. Hence, having assumed a larger acquaintance with the subject than really existed, I may, in this respect, have taken more for granted than I should have taken, had I fully realized the true state of the case. If such has been the fact, I exceedingly regret it; and, in any case, I cannot but deplore the unfavorable impression that has been produced by the unpleasant agitation that has taken place.

To many persons inquiry is naturally and necessarily disturbing. Without intending to be suspicious or distrustful, Christian people are easily excited when any subject of a sacred character is approached by scientific hands, however carefully or reverently it may be handled. In the present case, one cannot wonder that uneasiness in many quarters should have been created, especially when one considers that I have been accused of taking Christ out of the Old Testament Scriptures, of denying Christ to be the subject of Old Testament prophecy, and of even denying the existence of Messianic prophecy in the Old Testament at all.

Before attempting to give a complete reply to the criticisms that have appeared in the columns of the QUARTERLY, I have thought it advisable to extend the original discussion, which, for want of space, was very closely and compactly written, and to publish the present article in the form of a sequel to the first. In this sequel, I purpose expanding the portions that were particularly compressed, as well as expounding the paragraphs that have been peculiarly misconceived. In this sequel,