

That a twelfth edition of Dr. Kinns' volume, *Moses and Geology* (1), should be issued within eight years of its first publication, is a proof of its value and of the need which it is designed to meet. And not alone will many thousands of ordinary readers rejoice that so much harmony can be traced between the Bible and science, but it appears also that in this volume Dr. Kinns is in agreement with many men of the highest scientific attainments. In the present edition the facts are drawn from the latest scientific discoveries; Dr. Kinns' arguments are quite up to date; and though scientific knowledge will undoubtedly increase and broaden as time goes on, still we can well believe that the foundations here set out will stand firm, and we take comfort from the thought that the authority of the Scriptures will not suffer diminution, but rather they will receive support from the discoveries of men of science when these are looked at in the proper way. Dr. Kinns' work is an extremely interesting one; he touches upon all sorts of knowledge; he gathers his facts from the highest authorities in all departments; he can incorporate the sequence of creative acts or events as stated by Prof. Huxley, and earn Mr. Gladstone's thanks for so doing. He has consulted all sorts of authorities, living and dead, and marshalled his facts in such a way as makes his work a most engaging story. And one great charm of the work is the reverent, hopeful, and thankful spirit in which it is written, showing how a man of science can be that and everything besides that a Christian ought to be. The body of the book consists of thirteen chapters, in which the successive acts of creation as related by Moses are considered; then there are four "Addenda Chapters," as the author calls them, in the first of which an account is given of Mr. George Smith's discovery of the Assyrian history of the Flood; in the second there is a curious explanation of the signs of the Zodiac; then follows a chapter on the Fall and Redemption of Mankind; and lastly, one on the Power of Prayer. The Appendix contains information respecting diamonds, the earthquake at Lisbon, the expansion of gases as seen in the explosion of gunpowder, &c., the length-of day and night at the poles, the names of the most lately discovered minor planets, Jonah and the whale, and the learning of Moses. The whole work is profusely illustrated and well printed, and is a cheap and attractive volume, which we can most heartily recommend.

(1) *Moses and Geology*. By Rev. Samuel Kinns, Ph.D. 12th Thousand. London, &c. : Cassell & Company, Limited. 1889. Price 5s.