

ANSWER TO No. 1

or

“ESSAYS AND REVIEWS.”

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THE first number of these writings, and which will here be examined and answered, is under the title of “The Education of the World.” The Author is Frederick Temple, D. D. ; a Chaplain in Ordinary to the Queen and to one of the nobility, and also Head Master of Rugby School, one of the Seminaries for preparing young men for the Colleges—all which may well be regretted.

In this Essay the writer has put forth and endeavored to carry out the merely fictitious or fanciful idea of an analogy or corresponding likeness between the intellectual advance of an individual, from childhood through all the subsequent stages of his life, and the progress of the race at large from ignorance and barbarism, to the highest attainments and improvement.

At page 3 of the American edition of the book containing these “Essays and Reviews,” Dr. Temple introduces his theory or analogy in the following terms: “We may expect to find in the history of man, each successive age incorporating into itself the substance of the preceding. This power, whereby the present ever gathers into itself the results of the past, transforms the human race into a colossal man, whose life reaches from the Creation to the Day of Judgment.