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When we come down to more modern geologic times and find another warm age, and see the most undoubted signs of a long, perpetual summer, even up to the very poles; when we see that the world was just rescued from the ravages of a long and fatal winter, we feel like asking, What melted those icy chains? At that time deluges, vast beyond human conception, rushed along a thousand valleys from the melting glaciers. What made those glaciers melt so rapidly, and hastily yield to the advance of summer? How could a frozen world grow warm in such haste as to flood the earth? Do we hear of glacial floods now? Such floods can never occur till a greenhouse roof is reared anew. Another ring descended and enveloped a world of snow and ice. The greenhouse earth was formed in spite of the ice and snows that held the mastodon and his congeners in their wintry graves. A greenhouse roof, a world of ice! Anyone can see the result.

We cannot imagine any other agent in God's universe at work to make the frigid poles regions of exuberant life, and so long as we see the omnipotent canopy thus at work on yonder "king of planets" as God's material vicegerent in the building