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THE OMNIPRESENCE AND OMNISCIENCE OF GOD.
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“The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.”—PROV. xv. 3.

“And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.”—GEN. xi. 5.

THE subject which it is proposed to discuss in this paper has respect to two of the most awful perfections of God, and should therefore be approached with the profoundest reverence and humility,—reverence on account of the august character of Him to whom our investigations refer, and humility on account of the limitation of our own faculties and of our moral unworthiness to deal with a subject so sacred. These feelings become us, especially as the subject under consideration summons us, as it were, into the immediate presence of God. If the eyes of the Lord are in every place, they are here; if they are upon everything, they must be upon us; if His knowledge extends to everything, it extends to the motives and feelings with which we engage in this investigation. It becomes us, then, to endeavour to realise these truths—to bring them home to our hearts in such a way that they may exert their proper influence upon us. It should not be forgotten that the higher truths are not reached so much by the intellect as by the heart, not so much by the understanding as by the affections. Without holiness “no man shall see the Lord.” “The pure in heart, they shall see God.” Except, therefore, we approach this