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Bible, without stopping to indicate the more learned sources from which some of them may have been derived. It would be unjust, however, not to refer to Van Mildert's Bampton Lectures, to which he has been indebted for much valuable assistance in this undertaking. It is hoped that, with all its imperfections, this little book may be of some use to a large class of persons in our Churches and Sabbath schools, who have not access to larger works on the subject of interpretation, or to whom those works, from their scientific character, would be nearly useless, and that it may tend to hasten the time when all shall know the Lord from the least to the greatest.

Cambridge, March, 1844.

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