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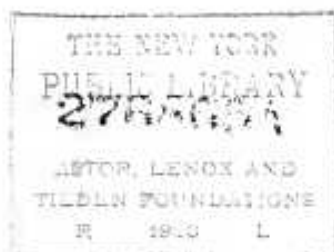
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THE time has come when the Science of the Earth and of Man should take bolder ground than heretofore on the question of the validity of the literary and historical criticism which deals so freely with the earlier books of the Hebrew Scriptures. These records present themselves to the student of nature in special aspects. He alone can fully appreciate the internal evidence which they afford of antiquity and accordance with the earlier remains and monuments of our species. He alone can measure their accordance with physical facts open to observation in relation to the past, present, and future of humanity.

The field of investigation in these directions is already large and promising, and is widening every day; and there is reason to believe that, if occupied by an enlightened natural science and an

intelligent and reverent study of the Bible, it may not only be held against the aggressive forces of agnostic philosophy and destructive criticism, but may be made to yield much new evidence of the beautiful congruity of the Old and New Testaments, and of both with nature and with human history. To promote in some degree this object, so vital to the progress of civilization and the highest interests of mankind, is the purpose of the following papers, which originally appeared in the *Expositor*, and are now collected, with some additions and amendments.

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