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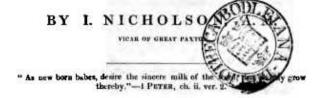
ABBANCED

IN SHORT SECTIONS, FOR THE USE OF YOUNG PEOPLE,

AND OF ALL

IN HEATHER AND PALSE WORSHIPPING COUNTRIES,
WHO HAVE HEARD OF, AND ARE ANXIOUS TO BE ACQUAINTED WITH THOSE
LAWS OF BIGHTSOUSNESS,

WHICH GOD HAS GIVEN HIS RATIONAL CREATURES FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THEIR ACTIONS HERE; AND FOR THE CAREFUL OBSERVANCE OF WHICH, HE HAS GRACIOUSLY PROMISED A GREAT REWARD HEREAPTER,



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TO CHRISTIANS,

TO JEWS,

AND TO

ALL WHO HAVE HEARD OF.

OR YET MAY HEAR OF,

Christ and his Grapel.

" HOLD FAST THE YORK OF SOUND WORDS-GOD IS NO

" RESPECTER OF PERSONS; BUT IN EVERY NATION, HE

46 THAT PEARETH BIM, AND WORKETH BIGHTEDUSNESS, IS

" ACCEPTED OF NIM, - REFUSE, THEREFORE, PROFAME

" AND OLD WIVES' PABLES, AND RESECUE YOURSELVES

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" UNTO GODLINESS."

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PREFACE.

According to recent reports made by Bible societies, a sum, considerably exceeding a million of money, has been expended in the great work of disseminating the Sacred Writings. The experience, however, of more than twenty years, very clearly proves, that this expense, and the active labours of those employed in this praiseworthy undertaking, have not produced beneficial effects, equal to the expectations of the

friends and zealous promoters of it. Christ taught the doctrine of repentance and remission of sins, of the resurrection, and future rewards and punishments, to a people who knew God, but who had corrupted the truth, and degenerated into opinions and practices altogether inconsistent with it. Christians of this country are offering the Bible, and teaching the truths of it, to nations who never heard of it before. The two cases differ very widely, and seem to require different treatment and management.

When God was graciously pleased to make himself known, and to reveal his will to the house of Israel, he promised a land flowing with milk and honey, and abounding with every thing necessary for their comfort and happiness, as an encouragement for their obedience to his righteous laws and commandments. And, beyond a doubt, the prospect of great temporal good, would operate very powerfully upon the minds of people deprived of, and strangers to, all the blessings of life, in the house of bondage in Egypt, and exposed to dangers and difficulties in the wilderness for forty years. Wherever the Bible is carried, there, a picture of England's happiness and prosperity may be, and I think should be drawn, for the purpose of exciting admiration, and curiosity. And, if heathers could be made to understand, that England was once in the same state of ignorance and barbarism that they are now in, and only emerged from it, when her people were acquainted with the truths and religion of the Bible,-if they could be made to