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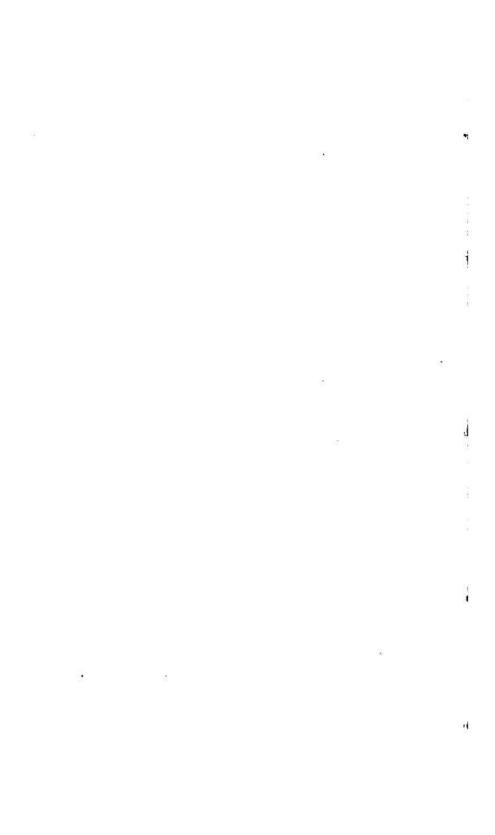
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PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION.

In this Edition, several more illustrations are given of the harmony of Scripture and Science. The arrangement of the Chapters has been changed, and other minor alterations made. A Section has been added, to show the high value we should put upon the opening portion of the Book of Genesis, on account of the important information it conveys.

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OBJECT AND PLAN OF THE PRESENT TREATISE.

THE assertion, not unfrequently made, that the discoveries of Science are opposed to the declarations of Holy Scripture, is as mischievous as it is false, as it tends both to call in question the Inspiration of the Sacred Volume and to throw discredit upon scientific pursuits.

Many who are predisposed to reject such a conclusion, from a general conviction that the Scriptures are the Word of God, are nevertheless at a loss for arguments to repel the charge. It is the object of the following pages to furnish such persons with a reply, in a concise and portable form. There are others also whose case it is here designed to meet—those who receive the Christian revelation, but, under the influence of supposed difficulties brought to light by scientific discovery, are tempted to abandon the earlier portion of the Sacred Volume as not inspired. It is possible that the unbeliever may find something in these pages to soften his prejudices: but his case is not here specially contemplated.