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"THE Ninth Chapter of Romans, rightly understood, is, to pious minds, sweetest consolation."—*Locī Com. Theol. de Predestinatione.*

"COME, then, thou solemn power, Philology, pioneer of the abstruser sciences, to prepare the way for their passage, . . . lend me thy needle-pointed pencil, that I may trace out the hair-breadth differences of language."—ABRAHAM TUCKER. (*The Light of Nature Pursued*, chap. xxvi. vol. ii. p. 268, edit. 1831.)

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"ALAS for thee, Jerusalem! How cold thy heart to Me!
How often in these arms of love would I have gathered thee!
My sheltering wing had been thy shield, My love thy happy lot
I would it had been thus with thee! I would, but ye would not."

"That hour has fled, those tears are told, the agony is past;
The Lord has wept, the Lord has bled, but He has not loved—His last.
From heaven His eye is downward bent, still ranging to and fro,
Where'er, in this wide wilderness, there roams a child of woe.
Nor His alone; the Three-in-One, who looked through Jesus' eye,
Could still the harps of angel-bands, to hear the suppliant's sigh:
And, when the rebel chooses wrath, God wails his hapless lot,
Deep-breathing from His heart of love,—'I would, but ye would not.'"

GUTHRIE. (*The Redeemer's Tears.*)

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PREFATORY NOTE.

THE first edition of this monograph appeared in 1849 in the form of *Lectures*. These were delivered, first of all, to the people of my pastoral charge, and afterwards to the students of my exegetical class, who subjected the interpretations propounded to that peculiar *running of the gauntlet* that is called in Scotland "heckling."

The *Lectures* were also delivered in Glasgow; and at the conclusion of the course I was warmly requested to publish my *Exposition*,—the whole immense assembly rising to their feet to express, by acclamation, the heartiness of their desire.

At length the book was published and speedily disposed of.

Thenceforward there have been frequent applications for a new edition,—applications to which I have had a desire to accede, but numerous other engagements laid their hands retardingly upon me for years and years.

Now however, being in the enjoyment of comparative leisure, I have re-written the *Exposition* throughout, entirely remodelling its form. The