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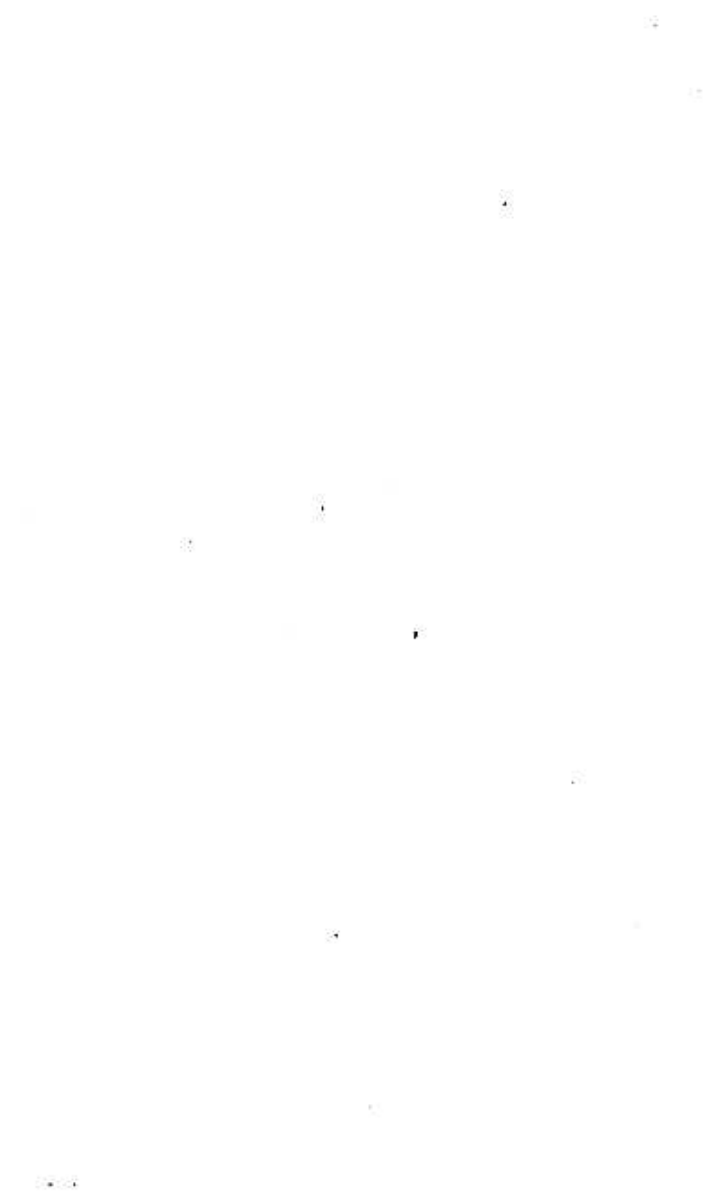
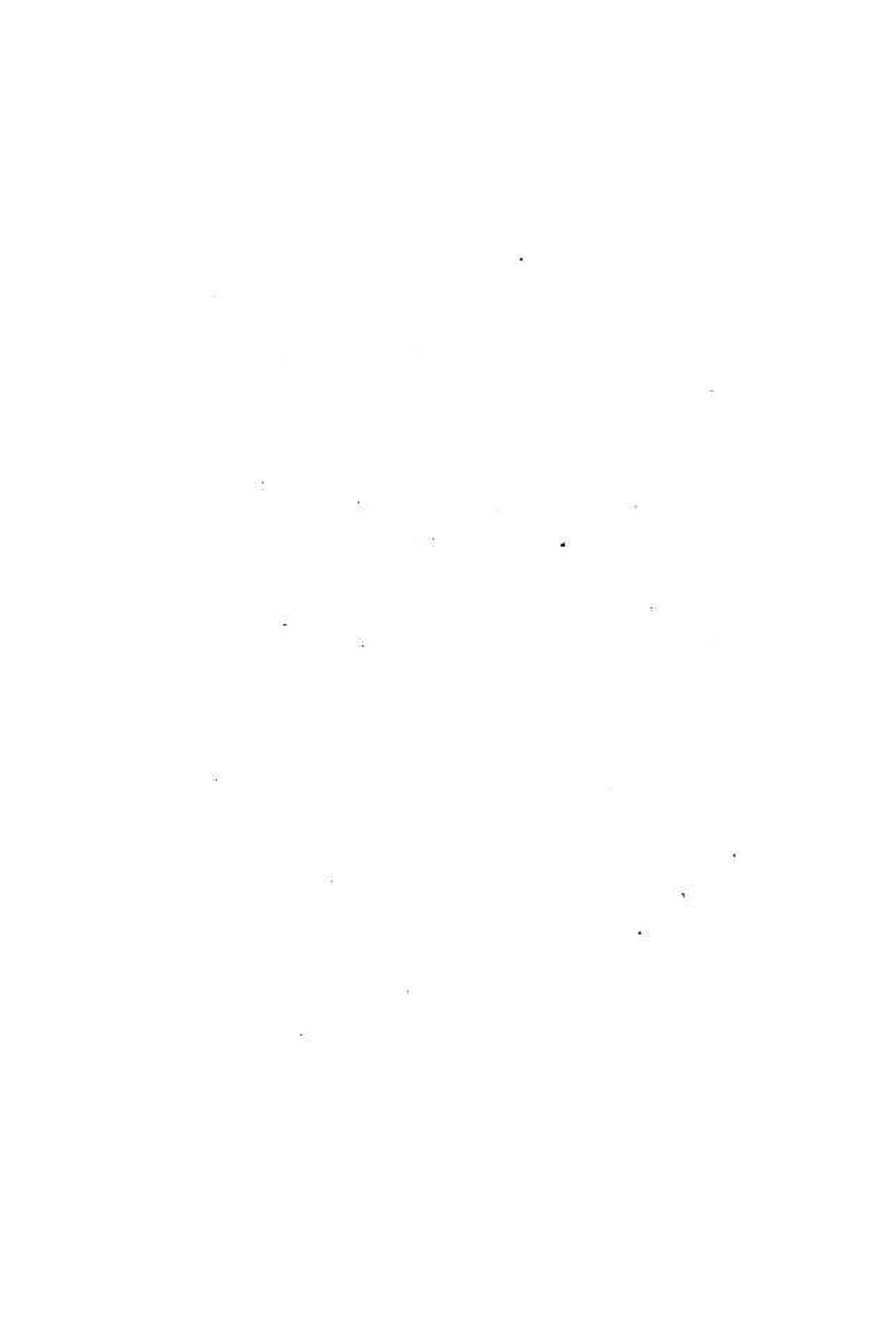


Figure 1: Scatter plot of the relationship between the number of children and the number of children aged 10 and over. The plot shows a positive correlation, with data points clustered around a diagonal line. The axes are labeled "Number of children" and "Number of children aged 10 and over".

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GEOLOGY.

MY opinion of Geology has been for a long time that the extreme errors in that science are so conducive to draw the mind of young believers in geology from the thorough belief of the holy Scriptures, because they are so utterly averse to each other that no reasonable person can cling to both, he is soon convinced that one or the other must be wrong. I am of the same opinion respecting geology and the holy Scriptures agreeing with each other as our Saviour Jesus Christ said in his Sermon on the Mount, *Matthew* vi. c., 24th v., "No man can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will hold to the one and despise the other; ye cannot serve God and Mammon." This noble remark of our Saviour's I find true in almost every instance where I have come in contact or had any argument with a thorough believer in the science of geology, because they cling so firmly to the deluding and fascinating principles of the science, and they become so much attached to it that, when attacked

strongly, sooner than waver from their idol belief, they are tempted by the examples of great professors to suffer anything sooner than acknowledge that any part of the science is in error. I have had such astounding proofs of these facts that I am sorry to say a great many, and almost in every instance (where they have come in contact with me), have thorough believers in geology acknowledged that they do not believe the holy Scriptures. The young geologist generally begins by disowning the truth of the four first chapters of *Genesis*, written by Moses, and as he farther advances he finds the Old Testament interferes with the science; and I can positively vouch that some thorough believers in geology have told me point blank that the Scriptures are not true, but geology is true. They say for an excuse that they would sooner believe the evidence of their senses by what they can see in the rocks and strata of the earth than believe the Scriptures, because the science of geology (say they) gives them every proof that the holy Bible is not truthfully recorded; they fancy the Bible to be a composition of imaginary facts, concocted by good men to improve and moralise the world—being only conducive to social enjoyment; now, I have in my limited experience ascertained the above facts, and finding that the science is making rapid progress and leading a great many astray, by first reading their works and then conversing with believers, till ultimately they become confirmed geolo-

gists; which they will find very difficult to undo, after the beguiling influence and the many advantages that it shows have taken possession of their frail understanding. Now this is the primary cause of my undertaking this work, and I shall endeavour to warn my fellow-countrymen of the dangers besetting them in that innocent-looking science, which has proved the ruin of so many souls; no doubt but hundreds will have cause to trace the first seeds of disbelief in the holy Scriptures engraved in their hearts through meddling with that dangerous and useless science, Geology; from my experience it seems all bad, and no good whatever likely to be derived from the useless labours of the geologist. The great amount of energy, talent, and money that is yearly wasted with no hope of success, viz., of ever finding out the hidden secret of the works of creation, would be a blessing if applied to some better and more hopeful purpose; the geologists have wasted hundreds of years trying to find out the works of God, and have arrived only to a confused mass of imaginations very similar to the old proverb "As the fool thinks so the bell chinks;" and I say, as the geologist thinks, so he prints; never was folly carried to so great a length. I shall endeavour in my explanations hereafter expressed to show that geology is contradictory when compared with the Scriptures, and is calculated to sow the seeds of infidelity, and I sincerely hope that after a believer in that useless science has read this