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the general interest in the religious issues of the Reformation we find a new order of mind. These are such as Shakespeare, Milton and Bacon, who are among the profoundest students of the thoughts of God. Never do Shakespeare's powers more fully appear than when he attempts the moral passions; while Milton specially invokes the aid of the Divine Spirit as his muse in his adventurous song whose theme, the grandest which human thought can ponder, has quickened all the powers for the lofty flight.

"What in me is dark;

Illume; what is low, raise and support; That to the height of this great argument I may assist eternal Providence,

And justify the ways of God to men."

Such minds as Burke, Coleridge, and Matthew Hale, all derived their vigor from the study of the Bible. These, like all great minds, were pre-eminently reflective. The food for reflection constantly furnished in their favorite book helped to develop their rare intellectual powers. The same is true of the master intellects of the world, those who in turn have mostly stimulated others to thought. No man is educated who has not learned to think, and the Bible, more than all things else, has taught men that art. As Dr. Peabody well says, "The Bible is the educator of civilized man."

Science has been born and nurtured in the wake of revealed truth ever since its manifestation among men. What contributions can be shown to science from the, whole outlying world, where the intellect has not been disciplined by contemplating supernatural truth? The brain of the world