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ACCORDANCE OF GEOLOGY WITH REVEALED
TRUTH.

I proceed to offer some remarks on the accordance of this modern science with revealed truth. The superiority of the Bible to the productions of mere human wisdom, is at once evident even in this debated field, when we bring Scripture into comparison, or rather into contrast with uninspired speculations. The cosmogonies or world-makings of the ancients would have doomed any pretended revelation, giving them its sanction, to certain rejection. Some of the heathen philosophers pronounced water to be the origin of all things. Some of them explained conflicting appearances, by supposing two creative principles, or agencies, the one good, and the other evil. Some of them accounted for the production of worlds, and all their wonderful provisions, by a fortuitous concourse of atoms. These follies, even when dressed out in all the fascinations of learn-