

the least accessible to searching investigation. It is otherwise with the religion of the Bible. Just in proportion as the facts of Scripture, becoming recent, admit of scrutiny, they bear the test of it; and we find the preternatural works of Christ more lucidly and abundantly substantiated than the miracles of Moses. Is not this circumstance confirmatory of its claims? It may be said that the account of creation is history, and should therefore be unambiguous; but it is a history of God's doings, and we need not look in such a case for the common-place obviousness of every day details.

MODES OF CONCILIATION.

The foregoing considerations might be urged, were no possible solution apparent. But various ways have been proposed of harmonising geology and Scripture; and if none of these be entirely satisfactory, they have enough of promise to rebuke the temerity of a scoffer's exultation. They show us in what direction we may seek, with a reasonable prospect of finding, an exit from embarrassments.

Our best expositors of Scripture seem to be