

‘and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.’* The death of animals is a fact in the course of nature, the truth of which all parties must admit. It creates, however, no special difficulty to the reception of our holy faith, for it contradicts in no way whatever either the scriptural narrative or Christian doctrine. This objection, when justly viewed, only shows then how much safer we are with the Scriptures themselves, as our rule of faith and manners, than with the most ably-executed and generally-received systems of theology.

The foregoing paragraphs exhibit grand features of accordance between what the Bible says and what the earth shows; and we shall search in vain for equally striking symptoms of a common divine origin in any human productions.

THE DELUGE.

A view of Geology, in its relations to Revealed Religion, would be incomplete without some observations on the Deluge of Noah. The scriptural account of that catastrophe may be

* Rom. v. 12.