

weeks together on the habitudes and economy of a single insect, we may guess how arduous the enterprise would be, to traverse the whole length and breadth of a land, so profusely over-spread and so densely peopled with the tokens of a planning and presiding Deity. It would be to trace the footsteps of a Being, who, while he wields with giant strength the orbs of immensity, pencils every flower upon earth and hangs a thousand dew-drops around it—at one time walking in greatness among the wonders of the firmament, and at another, or rather at the same time, scattering beauty of all sorts in countless hues and inimitable touches around our lowly dwelling-places. He hath indeed lighted up most gloriously the canopy that is over our heads—he hath shed unbounded grace and decoration on the terrestrial platform beneath us. Yet these are only parts of his ways—for the whole of his productiveness and power who can comprehend? This will be the occupation of eternity—amid that diversity of operations at present so baffling, to scan the counsels of the God who worketh all in all.*

* Nat. Theol., B. II., c. 3.