

and power; and this may have been one of His objects:—but to speculate further on points so utterly beyond our capacity, would be presumptuous: for who can “know the mind of God, or who hath been His counsellor?”

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We have thus given a brief outline of what has been denominated the Chemistry of organization; in other words, an account of those changes and combinations which, through the operation and the agencies of inorganic matter, organic agents are capable of effecting. The information it has been in our power to give, though imperfect, we have shown to be amply sufficient, not only to demonstrate the astonishing wisdom, and foresight, with which organized beings, in as far as we can understand them, have been contrived and formed; but the infinitely higher perfection of both these attributes, requisite to impart to organization, that vitality, the nature of which so entirely surpasses our conception.

We shall now close this volume with a few observations on the future progress of chemistry; on the means by which this science may be