

Yet another dignitary has not withheld himself from the peril of joining this array. The last year, the Dean of York published "A Letter to Professor Buckland;" in which, by the expenditure of a very few pages of loose paragraphs, he actually represents himself as having overthrown some of the principal doctrines which the most cautious geologists regard as indubitably established; and then he brings forward a theory of his own, of which I will only say that it manifests a degree of ignorance next to incredible upon the phenomena under his consideration, the very nature and most obvious facts of stratification: and, to crown all, the Dean of York does not observe even common courtesy towards Dr. Buckland. Probably that eminent man may think this attack beneath his notice; and, scientifically considered, it is so. But, as not only the Dean's pamphlet, but the productions of Prebendary Gisborne, Mr. Mellor Brown, and some other writers, are directed against Dr. Buckland by name; and as multitudes read those pamphlets who are totally unqualified to detect their errors and escape the impression of their vehemence; it is greatly to be wished that he would confer upon the public a service so valuable as would be a calm exposure and refutation of the whole genus.

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### PART III.

A GENTLEMAN who has illustrated the history of our country in a manner which proves diligent research, fidelity to moral principles, and a pleasing talent for narration, Mr. Sharon Turner, has also written a work for the use of young persons, and containing stores of valuable matter, "The Sacred History of the World." This work, in a manner well adapted to inform and religiously to ben-