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clearly bear their testimony to the fall of Adam, from the state in which he was first created — that A.B.'s views on the subject entirely corresponded with H.B.'s Statement of it. — She told E.H. he must be aware that there is a great deal of evil in the world, and that if we had not propensities to evil, it is more than probable that a preponderance of good would appear — that A.B. from her own experience, and from every observation she had been enabled to make on the human mind was fully convinced that we have evil propensities, and that it is only through obedience to the glorious means of restoration thro' the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, that we know an overcoming of Evil —

With regard to all being revealed to us without the Scriptures A.B. stated her very decided opinion that it was presumptuous to cherish such an Idea. — This ~~incontestable~~ ^{incontestable} mercy the Grace of God has appeared unto all men, yet Facts daily prove to us, that even the most watchful find, that it is for them to accept with thankfulness, the intimations afforded, and that immediate revelation is not at their command — that as the Scriptures do amply contain, the above mentioned chain of sublime truths, should we neglect the means put within our reach, of instruction from them, we must indeed be blind to our condition to expect that this sublime chain of events would be revealed to us during such neglect —

With regard to those nations, who have not the Scriptures, we fully believe that as Christ died for all men, so the grace and truth which came by him, doth appear unto all men; yet we do hear and see facts, continually proving, that where the

Scriptures are unknown, evident proofs of darkness do exist, and that ^{it} is the want of authentic information on the subject, which can make any one suppose, that the Chinese, Indians &c. evince stronger marks of Gospel Light, in their conduct than professing Christians; — and if we take what is called the Christian world, we shall uniformly find, that superstition on the one hand, and infidelity on the other, have opposed the reading of the Scriptures, and that under the Divine Blessing, the perusal of them has seemed conspicuously to have enlightened the minds of all those who have been instrumental to religious reform —

The Statist also, she thought we could not do better than leave all those nations whose disadvantages were no doubt weighty in the balance of the sanctuary, to the attribute of Divine mercy, remembering the parable, that he who knew not the Lords will, and did things worthy of stripes, was to be beaten with few stripes — but what would become of us, if in trying to bring ourselves upon a level with them, we should prove to be of those who might have known the Lords will, and may deserve to be beaten with many stripes —

A.B. stated the ~~her~~ ^{her} confidence that would ensue in any religious Society, if the ministers of that Society were not cognizable to it for the doctrines they might preach; that as she fully believed the Scriptures to be given forth by the Spirit, and to direct to it, so she considered that the Spirit might be said to be the cause and the Scriptures the effect; that as they are the effect, if we really witness the operation of the same Spirit, in our own hearts, there will be a corresponding like faces answering face in a glass, and we shall never be afraid of trying cause by the effect produced — that our fundamental doctrine of a belief in the guidance of the Spirit of Christ, should never screen us from the necessity of trying the Spirits, and that it is not possible, that it can be the same Spirit, which in one individual gives living faith in the doctrines of the Gospel, and in another contradicts them — That our early friends, gathered out of the forms & ceremonies of