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uary 6, 1861. THE LORD HATH MADE ALL THINGS FOR HIM-SELF."—Proverbs XVI—4.

It is well for us at times like the present, when the affairs of the world are more confused than usual, and the rapid succession of important events tends to draw our thoughts to the sole consideration of the visible, to remind ourselves of the invisible, and of Him, who, unseen, is not unseeing nor unconcerned.

When all things move on calmly and regularly, we are disposed to forget God, since we see no indications of His interference. When new and startling events are hurrying us onward so rapidly that we can hardly pause for a sober thought, then we behold so much of human policy, contrivance, prejudice and passion, that we again forget God, and in effect we thus thrust Him at all times beyond the sphere of human affairs. We are disposed to attribute all things to human agency; to say when we behold great revolutions, especially if we are in the midst of them, and can observe the play and conflict of human interests, that God has naught to do with them. We behold the wickedness of men, we observe how much they are affected by prejudice, by education, by their position in society, and feel inclined to protect

We charge the events to Satanic agency, to anything, rather than accept the real truth, and live by the faith of it, that never is a time so peaceful or so troubled, but that God's mighty hand is in it, reducing its elements to order and peace, or stirring them up to do his bidding. The Hebrew monarch in my text, and in the words immediately connected with it, expresses this truth in his terse strong words. His eyes saw the whole course of nature and human history under the direct superintendence of God. He was not stumbled by the power or the successes of the wicked. They too, were in the hands of God, and all their plans were made mysteriously to co-operate in carrying out the divine purposes. This doctrine of Solomon's is the doctrine of the entire Scriptures, expressed so strongly at times, as to appear to exclude human freedom and make man a mere machine in the hands of One infinitely mightier than he The Lord himself uses the strong language—"I have hardened Pharaoh's heart." It is said "The Lord hath puta lying spirit into the mouth of Ahab's prophets." Wicked men are said to be "foreuxdained to condemnation," Wicked men are and the righteous to be "predestined" to eternal life; and Solomon in connection with the text says: God hath made "the wicked for the day of evil." Whatever interpretation we may place upon such passages must be one which does not, in any way, infringe with the idea does not, in any way, infringe with the idea of North America, the sons of the Montezumas, of man's free agency and responsibility. They the dusky children of Hindostan, the hapless rather present us two ideas; first, that of a and toil-worn coolies of China, can all tell their general scheme of government and providence which sees the end from the beginning; and secondly, that of the existence of a personal and in the great nations now opening their doors on ever-present God, whose hand moulds and the Eastern Continent. Recent news from the whose will directs all the current of destiny, both with nations and men.

There is the freedom and the accountability of the creature, but he moves in and under a government which has both its origin and its where.

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end in cternity; a government in which the principal actor is God. Or, to give a further statement of this truth, 1 would say, my text teaches that the entire universe of events, especially understanding human affairs, is so arranged, overlooked and directed by the great God, that even the day of evil, of calamity, trouble or revolution which wicked and rebel liousmen, acting in the strength of human liber-ty, bring about to serve their own purposes, hall be made to adjust itself harmoniously into the vast scheme of God; so that ultimately, while every wicked man shall bear the burden of his own responsibility, he shall by no act of his infringe upon, much less defeat, one of God's purposes; but on the contrary, every act of rebellion, every evil perpetrated, shall fit into God's plan and work out God's end.

Solomon was a great man and wise. He had opportunities of observing and understanding human history in its relations to God, such as few men of his age possessed. The history of his own nation and family had been such as was well calculated to impress a mind like his with a conviction of the truth, that "the Lord hath made all things for Himself." He could not forget the marvellous deliverance of his nation from their bondage in Egypt—their journey for forty years in the desert—their history when, for four hundred years under military leaders and judges, they took possession of the promised land, and established themselves in it—the alternate successes and defeats—the occasional periods of anarchy when evil seemed about to triumph over good, and the nation to be on the brink of dissolution. The wonderful history of his own Father, now a shepherd boy, now a hunted fugitive, now a brave warrior, and last a mighty and successful king, all these events were eminently fitted to convince the observant mind of the wisest monarch of the times, that all things were made for God and were governed by Him. Yet the experience of Solomon was very limited if we compare it with our own. In his first acts. The great forces which have been moving society and the world for many centuries had hardly an existence then. The world was scarcely anything more than his own nation that single people. We are permitted to study the plan of Providence as it runs through several distinct enough so it is the plan of Providence as it runs through several distinct enough so it is the plan of Providence as it is the plan of Providence, and the revealed purposes of God, do not permit us for a moment to doubt.

The most significant events of the plan eral distinct epochs, as it takes up one nation after another, and develops itself more fully from age to age. We pass beyond the Jewish nation and the small district of Palestine, and view the various centres of civilization and learning and to two years so full of hope, of glory and subpower as they successively cone in contact with stantial advancement, as the years 1859 and Christianity. We study the display of human passions on a wider scale. We see Providence dealing distinctly with nations and races, lifting controlled by influences inimical to the cause of them up or putting them down, using them and setting them aside. We trace indications of the Divine hand in periods of great and general convulsion, bringing order and goodness out of anarchy and evil. We see a night of barbaranarchy and evil. We see a night of barbar-ism passing away. We behold the brightness of law and learning, and of liberty and religion.

exult with confidence for the future, and join with Solomon in saying, "The Lord hath made all things for Himself." And, as now, in accordance with my custom

for the few years I have been ministering amoug you, I review the history of the past year, I wish mainly to direct your thoughts to the great fact, that God has been pleased so to order the structure and arrangements of society, and so to govern all those events in which both the best nd the worst passions of men are enlisted that they all finally operate mysteriously for good, in spite of the wickedness of man; so that even the suffering and misery caused by periods of internal national convulsion are compensated by subsequent good; so that the selfishness and madness of parties who originate revolutions and disorders to gratify their own passions, shall be overruled for the advancement and general happiness of society and the triumph of the good and the right. The effect of evil is temporary, of good is permanent. That God who works in history carries His purposes on

ward. There is no step backwards, certainly no continued movement. This would indicate that God had relinquished the government of men or had been circumvented by his enemy. When we look for final causes, we must look for them amid moral attributes of the Almighty, and looking there we cannot doubt that this world, and the entire series of its troubled events, will conspire to reveal something of the majes ty, the wisdom and the goodness of Him who tilleth all in all, and to proclaim that "The Lord hath made all things for Himself."

Before I refer to our own personal history or to that of our nation, let us look abroad into the world beyond. The historic events of the year eighteen hundred and sixty will furnish to the honor of God by removing him from all future historians themes to enlist their highest contact with affairs so moulded by human genius. They are so abundant that I can only glance at the more important.

If we pass first to those continents which are farthest removed from us, and to those people who are most remote from christianity and christian civilization, we shall find traces of wonderful and pregnant movements. In Africa, that land of night and darkness, there is a rousing up. Sturdy, earnest and christian adventurers are pushing their way from all sides into the heart of that great land. Its ancient forests hear their ead of civilized men. Its darkened tribes gaze in wonder on civilized faces. Its rivers begin to be ploughed by the steam of civi-lization. The work of discovery and of christian missions has been progressing as never before. The spirit of adventure, the spirit of commerce, and the spirit of christianity, are together entering the land to disenthral and regenerate it.

Asia, too, has been the theatre of memorable events. On its Pacific border, in that Kingdom events. On its Pacific border, in that Kingdom of Japan which has been slumbering for many centuries, a progressive and inquiring spirit has been awakened. For many years the leading nations of christendom have been knocking at its doors. Now the light of a foreign civilization has been let in. History has indeed some sad lessons for our reading. It tells us that the white race has parely benefitted man of a darker hue when admitted into free intercourse with them, save as they have come the missionsries. them, save as they have com-, the missionaries of salvation. The negroes of Africa, the Indians

of a better future.

Simultaneously with the news of their arrival home, we are startled by the fall of Pekin, the capital city of a nation of four hundred millions of men. The profound quiet and death-like apathy of that strange people, will surely be disturbed, if anything can awaken them. Never did the future of the Chinese nation wear a more unsettled aspect than at the present momore unsettled aspect than at the present not invent. A foreign foe, the soldiers of two of the mightiest nations of Christendom; has entered of his predecessors. His spiritual ministrations word in hand, the precincts of their sacred are of smaller and smaller account every year. sword in hand, the precincts of their sacred capital and enriched itself on its treasures. An internal enemy, composed of their own people has long been in open rebellion, and after a succession of bloody triumphs, holds now undisputed possession of a large portion of the country. Russia, from the north and west, is watching eagerly the progress of events, ready to seize her portion of the dismembered empire. England will not be permitted to establish herself there or in India, nor to monopolize the rewards of victory. If that ancient land is cut up, among the more powerful nation. France must have her share of it. But while England, France and Russia are watching eagerly, like birds of prey around an expiring body, let us hold to the faith of the text, so often illustrat-

ed by history, that "the Lord hath made all things for Himself." Western Asia, during the past year, has been the scene of barbarities, which we had hoped the sun would never again shine upon. Hundreds of villages and homes have been in flames: the mountains of Syria and Lebanon have been filled with thousands of fugitives flying from burning homes, from the sight of massacred fathers, husbands and sons; pursued by the fierce dogs of war, famishing in caves, falling and dying by the wayside. Christian missions have been broken up, and the seaports along the day, though so long after the august scenes of Mediterancan are crowded with naked, famish-creation, the drama of the world's history had ing women and children, stretching their hands hardly begun to be acted. It was still in its to christian lands for bread. That these terrible events will be controlled by the hand of Almighty Power for the ultimate happiness and blessing of the inhabitants of western Asia, the past history of Providence, and the revealed

are those which have occurred on the continent human liberty and progress, and hostile to the iron hand over a large part of her fairest dominions, and by her petty despotism held Italy as in a vice. Bomba, of infamous memory, tyran-nized over the two Sicilies, and dying, be-queathed to his weak son and heir, Francis II.,

Roman Pontiff placed his foot on the necks of Emperors and Kings. Once his voice was potent in all the cabinets of Europe. Once his court rivalled in splender and magnificence later the method of th court rivalled in splendor and magnificence those of the monarchs of great kingdoms. He received tributes, regulated commerce, administered secular law, divided territories, and extorted homage and fear. Now, none are so poor as to do him reverence. His possessions have dwindled away. Instead of ruling over a great country of many millions of people, and vieing with the strongest nations, in armies and revenues, now but a few discontented thousands out of the runs of the Old World he brought by an exception have been regularly gathered into the Sunday School, and some of their num the bearth, and dedicate our new sanctuary to our God, and hither, since, pious and loving hearts have turned atoms, but in order to save some part at least. Evermore in the past, has it been true, that out weekly meetings for prayer and praise and in struction, have been continued, with usual desolations, God has brought something purer and higher than anything that preceded it. Out of the runs of the Old World he brought by the perm of a better race. From the law to the rest of the world. In the month of March we were allowed to enter and dedicate our new sanctuary to our God, and hither, since, pious and loving hearts have turned each Sabbath to pour forth their praise. Our weekly meetings for prayer and praise and in struction, have been continued, with usual prosperity. Our youth and children with scarce with the strongest nations, in armies and revenues and the earth, it is not that He may crumble all things to atoms, but in order to save some part at least. Evermore in the past, has it been true, that out weekly meetings for prayer and praise and in struction, have been continued in the rest of the world. unwillingly acknowledge his temporal authority. One by one his states have cast off the rein, declared themselves free, and entered under the constitutional monarchy of a man who is under

the ban of excommunication from the Church.

Perhaps the most important of the human agencies in effecting these changes is that remarkable man, Napoleon III., already honored with the title, "the true son of the Church." The worlds has been strangely divided in its opinion of this man. Some have regarded him takelless and excellent and excellent or the control of the contr as shallow and vacillating; others as deep, far-sighted and decided. History tells us this much, that the sword which has been unsheathed on the plains of Italy has been mainly in his hand, and on the side of freedom and progress. It has fallen on the secular arm of the Papacy, and that not accidentally.

A blow has been virtually struck for Protest-

ism. It may be that Napoleon has been the creature of circumstances, but it would rather reature of circumstances, but it would rather seem that he has read the decree of Providence that he Roman Babylon must fall; has seen that he Roman Babylon must fall; has seen that he Roman Babylon must fall; has seen cies that hes mankind; that the same power, perhaps Protestantism, must take its place. He has said it—Papal Rome, as a secular power, has lived out its time. All that Popery has to do, enfeebled and emaciated as it is, deceiver of the nations as it has been, is to give up the ghost and allow itself to be carried a security. It is evermore rising out of the mourning that so few have cause also for mourning that so few have forsaken their sing life.

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Husana wisdow will often be baffled by, the course of Providence. Things will not move unforgiven sin and guilt to the load already on their souls.

We have stepped across that invisible like overturning all law, all order, all peac.

We walk in the borders of an untried and undiscovered country. A veil woven by the hand of mercy hides from our sight all that lies bearts may fail them for fear and for looking the realm of everlast. time has been, when he could compel princes to wait at his gate and hold his stirrup. He has no powerful subjects now, nor powerful friends. There is no help for his Holiness in the earth beneath, nor, it seems from the course of Providence, in the Heavens above. Protestant Bibles are finding their way all through his late dominions. Protestant worship has even been His fall is a sign of the sure and steady progress of the Kingdom of Christ. Millions in Italy are to-day accessible to Protestant influences who were not, a year ago-who never were be-

fore millions who are just waking and asking for right and truth. I should detain you too long were I to speak of other extensive civil and religious changes on the Continent, in France, in Northern Europe, in England, Scotland and Ireland; changes now going on, abolishment of passport systems, the struggle in Hungary, the great religious reformation, in which tens of thousands have been

converted to God.

While these revolutions have been taking. place in other lands, they have been regarded by us with comparative indifference, because the great crisis through which our own country is passing, excites the quickened and painful apprehensions of every pions and patriotic breast.—
As we pass from the old year to the new, it is in the midst of one of the most memorable struggles that will ever find record on the page of history. It is a day of darkness and gloom Thick: clouds lower sullenly upon our mountains. We have just united, at the request of more startling than their predecessors. The public credit destroyed, the treasury plundered treasonable movements assuming a bold, auda-cious and defiant front, and kept in countenance by those in high places; angry jealousies and mut-tering on all sides, new theories in respect to the perpetual enslavement of an inferior race demanding privileges which the enlightened consciences of other sections of the country refuse to allow. Such are some of the things that filled the closing months of the year and seemed to presage the overthrow of the Repub-

The destiny of nations, like that of men some times changes with astounding rapidity. It may be so with ours. Convulsion and revolution are terrible for the age and generation in which they occur, but this need not blind our minds to the control of the cont minds to the fact already referred to, that God true welfare of her sons. Austria ruled with an has so constructed and so governs society, that brought us, as a country, to our present com-plexion. It is not, however, our purpose now to speak of man, but of God; of human acts, dawning upon the earth. We become the rising floods and storm of human passions subsiding at the voice of Him who sitteth above the floods. Surely, as the reverent and pious mind studies the changes in history, the perpetual and marvelous evolution of good out of evil, the steady progress of some merciful scheme among men, in a subjected and hating people, impatient of tyring to them, "Hurt not the earth of the changes in history and purpose how to flood; of human acts, to speak of man, but of God; of human acts, to speak of man, but of God's ber, three were in the very dawn of existing thus, we affirm that the great calamity shall be, saie, and storm of human passions subsiding at the voice of Him who sitteth above the floods. Surely, as the reverent and pious mind studies the changes in history, the perpetual and marvel and the changes in history, the perpetual and marvel and the changes in history, the perpetual and marvel and the changes for them to speak of man, but of God's ber, three were in the very dawn of existing thus, we affirm that the great calamity shall be, saie, and storm of public misery, the perpetual and marvel and the strength of the condition of good out of evil, the steady progress of some merciful scheme among men, a subjected and hating people, impatient of tyring to them, "Hurt not the earth of some incition to speak of man, but of God's ber, three were in the very dawn of existence ber, there were in the very dawn of either the coa, nor the trees till we have set in the tree dawn of the stream of the str

it will overflow with gratitude for the past and severed and distracted principalities have risen a single generation—the blessings are the perma-exult with confidence for the future, and join and been re-constructed into one mighty and nent inheritance of posterity. Society may seem imposing government, strong enough to com- to be almost dissolved. Law and moral order may mand respect from the haughtiest monarchies of give way to physical power. Impostors, with and pain a few days and was gone, the one sad Europe, and to make every citizen of the coundark and selfish plans for their own aggrandize-loss which has fallen on our large Sunday dark and selins plans for their own aggrandizetry proud that he is an Italian. After a long ment, may push aside men of patriotic temper, screes of fruitless struggles, when everybody and high principle, and may madly rule the hopes of Italian liberty were vain and chimerical, when every struggle seemed but to plunge the land in deeper misery and strengthen the despotism of their chains, an accomplished revolution has proclaimed to the world the freedom of Italy.

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But connected with the prize of civil freedom for that land, we may record another prominent event, which will have an important bearing ou Europe and the world. I refer to the termination of the temporal power of the Papacy. This event has not yet wholly become a formal fact, but its probability is now so universally recognized, both in Protestant and in Catholic Christendum and the existing temporal power of the papacy of them. He did not make this grand the existing temporal power of the papacy and the existing temporal power of the memories of the year. They will long continue to linger at the graves of their kindred, as if to hear again their voices floating on the air. They are allowed still in it, but He hath done it, for "He hath made all things for Himself." He has His ends to pursue with a fond recollection, those whom they tenderly loved while on earth, and to cherish hopes of their abiding safety and peace. nized, both in Protestant and in Catholic Christendom, and the existing temporal power of the Pope is so shadowy and unsubstantial, that did not set the sun and the stars in the Heavens we may speak of it as one of the events of the time. It is reported that Cardinal Wiseman, their fires. He did not make man in order to the paceful, happy scenes in the family and the stars in the Heavens their fires. He did not make man in order to blot him out of existence. He did not found the sanctuary, on many Holy Sabbaths. How many tried the reported that Cardinal Wiseman, their fires. He did not make man in order to blot him out of existence. He did not found the sanctuary, on many Holy Sabbaths. How many this great nation and build into its corner stones have evenings in our homes, secure from rude three tried from an interview with the Pope swing truths of insting analysis of their abiding safety and peace. The year has had its blessings also. The eye the difference of the Pope, saying truths of justice, equality and to his friend, "It is full time to bow to the hand of Providence, by which the downfall of the temporal power is visibly decreed." Once the toward final ends. When He takes in hand a lent activity! How often have our families

> Out of the runs of the Old World he brought Noah, the germ of a better race. From the heart of convulsions in Egypt, He led the chocken race, destroying the Egyptians, that His people might be safe. And when He, who was born at Bethlehem, was nailed to the Cross, the earth was shaken and the face of the Heavens was covered with darkness, men's hearts trembled for fear; but it was at that very hour, who was leavened to be relative to the spiritual condition and growth of the when evil seemed to be rejoicing over good, and church, penitence and sorrow should fill all our death over life, when the dark wing of the Prince of death seemed to fill the Heavens, and solemn vows—that we have been so forgetful or the moral order of the universe to be going to our obligations—that we have lost so many oprack, it was then God took His Son out of the portunities of usefulness, and wasted so many confusion of all things, declared Him to be the precious hours that will never come back again. Son of God with power, by raising him from the that we have been so worldly—have spoken so

the dusky children of Hindostan, the hapless and toil-worn coolies of China, can all tell their dark and sanguinary tales of the white man's treachery and crime. We will hope for good in the great nations now opening their doors on the Eastern Continent. Recent news from the far East announce the arrival there of our noble steamer Niagara, bearing to their own land the shores. They have already recounted to thouse sands of their wondering countrymen the sight they beheld in the far off land of civilization and christianity. The Ambassadors of the Prince of Peace, too, are lastening thither, the heralds of a better future.

Simultaneously with the news of their arrival will it always be.

We might suppose that when wild and untamable passions are let loose in a land like ours, we should ere long be a social and moral wildomess strewn with the wreck of our shattered liberties and religion. But history as well us faith, tells us to look for some higher good to spring out of all this evil. Larnest men diswith groomy foreboungs on the future. And certainly, when we behold men throwing away virtue and patriotism, reason and humanity, and, giving the reins to passion rush forward to revolution and war heedless of the terrible world declares, no less explicitly than the Divine Word, that "God hath made all things for Oh, how blessed the opportunities given to the very feeliest of us; to be co-workers with us the insecurity and unstability of all contibutions. us the insecurity and unstability of all earthly God, with him to confront and overpower evil things, how thrones and kingdoms may be wrested from their possessor in a moment, yet it behooves us not to be dismayed by any fears tains. We have just united, at the request of as if the sceptre was about to pass out of the our Chief Executive, in a solemn appeal to hands of Christ. It has ever been the way of Heaven to avert the dismemberment of our God's providence when he is about to raise the confederacy and a resort to arms. Each day of kingdom of His Son to higher stages of power the closing year brought us new developments and glory, to let the kingdoms of the world be shaken and troubled. Nor can we see any reason why we, as a nation, should be exempted from the operation of that general law by which God works, purifying and exalting both nations. have failed to take werning from God's dealings

has so constructed and so governs society, that seasons of despendency as well as of gladness; they who have sought to then good into evil, no matter how much of evil man mingles with some of our homes; which one year ago were shall dwell everlastingly in evil without any some four parameters to the light and cheerful, have been darkened by the mixture of good.

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To rink the great day, when all the years of the sins and faults that have been removed brought us, as a country, to our present completion. It is not, however, our purpose how the great day, when all the years of the sins and faults that have been removed by forth on their mission, they shall hear a less number than in any former voice crying to them. Hut not the earth, to the seath of the state of the state of the state of the seath of th

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to the spiritual condition and growth of the church, penitence and sorrow should fill all our dend, gave Him the victory over death and evil, cast down the Prince of Evil from the Heavens of his fancied pre-eminence, and laid secure the foundations of that Church, which, as God's new creation, is evermore rising out of the wreck of this world into the realm of everlasting life.

of Light. At the very hour when the malicious future, it seems to me that the history of Provipactices and designs of men are filling a land with confusion, God will bring forth the sign of the Son of man in greater power and glory. As when the northern nations rushed down in barbaric power upon the Roman Empire, threat-the pillars that we lean upon, and will send control the doctraption of all law all order, all creat and tearlible calculations into the hind-like. ening the destruction of all law, all order, all great and terrible calamities into the land that civilization and christianity, the conquerors shall shake the earth under our feet. It is thus themselves were conquered, infused their hardy blood and manly courage into the decaying frail and perishable world. It is thus He warns society of the Empire and became the chief sup-porters and champions of civilization and and worldly policy, and build the foundations Christ's religion, so has it always been, and so of their states on righteousness and the sure teachings of His word.

The eventful, memorable year 1860 is part. Its deeds are rapidly receding from us into that abyss which has swallowed up all the former births of time. The Providence which guided the past guides all the events in the midst of which we are still moving. It remains for us to ask ourselves, whether we are severally by appointed of their hopes, are often ready to despure to despute the pair of the prospects of mankind, and to look plan of Providence, or helping to thwart it. The with gloomy forebodings on the future. And great end of the Divine administration over us is Goodness, final, perfect, eternal Goodness. It we are aiming at that, then are we in our sphere; if we are selfishly seeking our own ends-if our hearts are filled with bitterness toto revolution and war needless of the vertice eags—if our neartisare lined with interfices to-consequences, there is reason for meditations of ward men, and disobedience toward. God, then protound sadness. But the whole past of the are we arrayed against God and must meet the

with good. But how can we battle, with evil unless our own hearts are good? And how can we be good unless supreme goodness introduces into our evil the goodness which we do not by nature possess? Yes, we must be regenerated into goodness. Then, having God for our friend, however humble and however great may be our earthly lot God will use us as polished shafts in his quiver in the great buttle of good

against evil.

We have passed the threshhold of the new from the opening and exalting both nations year and stand amid its opening scenes. Their and men by afflictions and calamities. If we gravity and importance weigh on millions of have failed to take werning from God's dealings hearts. So, ere long, ere many years have have failed to take warning from God's dealings with other nations, and the distress He has brought upon them, but have gone on in our haughtiness and pride, refusing to acknowledge him, and saying "Is not this great Babylon which we have builded," let us not be dismayed beyond measure, if He should bring terrors on us and send calamities sweeping over us to remind us, that "He hath made all things for Himself."

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