

A. V.

1 Or, palm-crist.
 † Heb Kikayon.
 † Heb rejoiced with great joy.
 † Or, silent.
 † Or, Arthurou greatly angry?
 † Or, I am greatly angry
 † Or, spared
 † Heb. was the son of the night.

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6 And the Lord God prepared a ¹gourd, and made it to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his grief. So Jonah [†]was exceeding glad of the gourd.

7 But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd that it withered.

8 And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that God prepared a ²vehement east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and said, *It is better for me to die than to live.*

9 And God said to Jonah, *Doest thou well to be angry for the gourd?* And he said, *I do well to be angry, even unto death.*

10 Then said the Lord, *Thou hast ³had pity on the gourd, for the which thou hast not laboured, neither madest it grow; which [†]came up in a night, and perished in a night:*

11 And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?

booth, and sat under it in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city.

6 And the Lord God prepared a ¹gourd, and made it to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his evil case. So Jonah was exceeding glad because of the gourd. But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd, that it withered. And it came to pass, when the sun arose, that God prepared a sultry east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and requested for himself that he might die, and said, *It is better for me to die than to live.*

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1 Or, Palma Christi Heb Kikayon

MICAH.

† Heb. Hear, ye people, all of them.
 * Deut. 32. 1.
 † Heb. the fulness thereof.
 * Is. 26. 21.
 * Ps. 115. 3.
 * Deut. 32. 13.
 & 33. 29
 * Ps. 97. 5
 † Heb. a descent.
 † Heb. daughters of the owl.
 † Or, she is grievously sick of her wounds.
 * 2 Sam. 1. 20.
 † That is, Dust.
 * Jer. 6. 26
 † Or, thou that dwellest fairly.
 † Heb. inhabitress.
 * Is. 47. 2, 3.
 † Or, the country of flocks.
 † Or, a place near.
 † Or, was grievous.
 † Or, for.

1 THE word of the Lord that came to Micah the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.

2 Hear, ye people; ^{*}hearken, O earth, and [†]all that therein is: and let the Lord God be witness against you, the Lord from his holy temple.

3 For, behold, ^{*}the Lord cometh forth out of his ^{*}place, and will come down, and tread upon the ^{*}high places of the earth.

4 And ^{*}the mountains shall be molten under him, and the valleys shall be cleft, as wax before the fire, and as the waters that are poured down [†]a steep place.

5 For the transgression of Jacob is all this, and for the sins of the house of Israel. What is the transgression of Jacob? *is it not Samaria? and what are the high places of Judah? are they not Jerusalem?*

6 Therefore I will make Samaria as a heap of the field, and as plantings of a vineyard: and I will pour down the stones thereof into the valley, and I will discover the foundations thereof.

7 And all the graven images thereof shall be beaten to pieces, and all the hires thereof shall be burned with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered *it* of the hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of an harlot.

8 Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the [†]owls.

9 For [†]her wound is incurable; for it is come unto Judah; he is come unto the gate of my people, even to Jerusalem.

10 [†]Declare ye it not at Gath, weep ye not at all: in the house of [†]Aphrah ^{*}roll thyself in the dust.

11 Pass ye away, [†]thou [†]inhabitant of Shaphir, having thy ^{*}shame naked: the inhabitant of [†]Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of [†]Beth-ezel; he shall receive of you his standing.

12 For the inhabitant of Maroth [†]waited carefully for good: but evil came down from the Lord unto the gate of Jerusalem.

13 O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift beast: she is the beginning of the sin to the daughter of Zion: for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.

14 Therefore shalt thou give presents ^{*}to

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10 Tell it not in Gath, weep not at all: at ³Beth-le-Aphrah ⁴have I rolled myself in the dust. Pass ye away, O ⁵inhabitant of Shaphir, in nakedness and shame: the ⁵inhabitant of Zaanan is not come forth; and the wailing of Beth-ezel shall take from you the ⁶stay thereof. For the ⁵inhabitant of Maroth ⁷waiteth anxiously for good: because evil is come down from the Lord unto the gate of Jerusalem. Bind the chariot to the swift steed, O ⁵inhabitant of Lachish: she was the beginning of sin to the daughter of Zion; for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.

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1 Heb. the fulness thereof.
 2 Or, among

3 That is, A house of dust
 4 Another reading is, roll thyself!
 5 Heb. inhabitress
 6 Or, stand-upplace
 7 Or, is in travail

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† That is, *A. V.*
† Or, *the glory of Israel shall come, &c.*
* Is. 22.
12.

* Is. 5. 8.

† Or, *defraud.*

† Heb. *with a lamentation of lamentations.*
† Or, *instead of restoring.*
* Deut. 32 8, 9.

† Or, *Prophecy not as they prophesy.*

† Heb. *Diop, &c.*

* Is. 30. 10.

† Or, *shortened!*
† Heb. *upright!*

† Heb. *yesterday.*

† Heb. *over against a garment.*

† Or, *voices.*

† Or, *walk with the wind, and the falsely.*

* ch. 2. 11.

† Heb. *from a vision.*
† Heb. *from divining.*

Moresbeth-gath the houses of Achzib shall be a lie to the kings of Israel.

15 Yet will I bring an heir unto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah: he shall come unto Adullam the glory of Israel.

16 Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge thy baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.

2 Woe to them that devise iniquity, and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light, they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand.

2 And they covet fields, and take them by violence; and houses, and take them away: so they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.

3 Therefore thus saith the Lord; Behold, against this family do I devise an evil, from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: for this time is evil.

4 ¶ In that day shall one take up a parable against you, and lament with a doleful lamentation, and say, We be utterly spoiled: he hath changed the portion of my people: how hath he removed it from me! he turning away he hath divided our fields.

5 Therefore thou shalt have none that shall cast a cord by lot in the congregation of the Lord.

6 ¶ Prophecy ye not, say they to them that prophesy: they shall not prophesy to them, that they shall not take shame.

7 ¶ O thou that art named the house of Jacob, is the spirit of the Lord straitened? are these his doings? do not my words do good to him that walketh uprightly?

8 Even of late my people is risen up as an enemy: ye pull off the robe with the garment from them that pass by securely as men averse from war.

9 The women of my people have ye cast out from their pleasant houses; from their children have ye taken away my glory for ever.

10 Arise ye, and depart; for this is not your rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy you, even with a sore destruction.

11 If a man walking in the spirit and falsehood do lie, saying, I will prophesy unto thee of wine and of strong drink; he shall even be the prophet of this people.

12 ¶ I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of the multitude of men.

13 The breaker is come up before them: they have broken up, and have passed through the gate, and are gone out by it: and their king shall pass before them, and the Lord on the head of them.

3 And I said, Hear, I pray you, O heads of Jacob, and ye princes of the house of Israel; is it not for you to know judgment?

2 Who hate the good, and love the evil; who pluck off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones;

3 Who also eat the flesh of my people, and flay their skin from off them; and they break their bones, and chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron.

4 Then shall they cry unto the Lord, but he will not hear them: he will even hide his face from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings.

5 ¶ Thus saith the Lord concerning the prophets that make my people err, that bite with their teeth, and cry, Peace; and he that putteth not into their mouths, they even prepare war against him.

6 Therefore night shall be unto you, that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark unto you, that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them.

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1 Heb. *achzab.*
2 Heb. *inhab.*

3 Or, *vulture*

4 Or, *with the lamentation, It is done; and say &c*

5 Or, *depart from*

6 Or, *Prophecy ye not, they are ever prophesying, say they.*

7 Heb. *Drop &c.*

8 Amos vii. 16

9 Or, *of these things.*

10 Or, *their reproaches never cease*

11 Or, *O thou that art named the house of Jacob*

12 Or, *impatient*

13 Heb. *shortened.*

14 Heb. *yestr-day.*

15 The Sept has, *ye shall be destroyed with &c*

16 Or, *in a spirit of falsehood*

17 Heb. *sanctify*

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† Heb upper lip.

* Ezek. 22 27. Zeph. 3.3. † Heb. bloods.

† Heb. saying. * Jer. 26. 18.

* Is. 2. 2. &c.

* Is. 2 4 Joel 3 10 † Or, scythes.

* Zeph. 3 19. * Dan. 7. 14 Luke 1. 33.

* Matt. 2. 6. John 7. 43.

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8 ¶ But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.

9 Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.

10 They build up Zion with *† blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.

11 The heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire, and the prophets thereof divine for mouey: yet will they lean upon the LORD, † and say, Is not the LORD among us? none evil can come upon us.

12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be * plowed as a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.

4 But *in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it.

2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

3 ¶ And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into * plowshares, and their spears into † pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

4 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.

5 For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

6 In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted;

7 And I will make her that *halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the LORD * shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.

8 ¶ And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

9 Now why dost thou cry out aloud? is there no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail.

10 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

11 ¶ Now also many nations are gathered against thee, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look upon Zion.

12 But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor.

13 Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain unto the LORD, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.

5 Now gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: he hath laid siege against us: they shall smite the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.

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¹ Or, even the spirit

² See Is. 11. 2-4. ³ Or, at the head

⁴ Or, in-struction ⁵ Or, among ⁶ Or, great ⁷ Or, decide concerning

⁸ Or, walk

⁹ Or, Eder See Gen xxxv. 21 ¹⁰ Heb. Ophel.

¹¹ Or, gaze upon

¹² So the ancient versions The Hebrew text as pointed reads, I will devote ¹³ Or, families See Judg vi. 15. [Ch. iv. 14 in Heb.]

[Ch. v. 1 in Heb.]

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† Heb. the days of eternity.

¶ Or, rule.

† Heb. princes of men.

† Heb. eat up.

¶ Or, with her own naked swords.

¶ Or, goats.

¶ Or, statues.

¶ Or, enemies.

¶ Or, with

* Is 1. 2.

* Ex. 12

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* Num. & 14 30.

22 5.

* Num. & 23 7.

* Num. 25 1.

Josh 5. 10

† Heb. sons of a year?

† Heb. belly.

* Deut. 10 12.

† Heb. humble thyself to walk.

¶ Or, thy name shall see that which is

¶ Or, is there yet unto every man an house of the wicked, &c.

† Heb. measure of leanness.

is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

3 Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.

4 ¶ And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.

5 And this man shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight principal men.

6 And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances thereof: thus shall he deliver us from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders.

7 And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people as a dew from the LORD, as the showers upon the grass, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons of men.

8 ¶ And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.

9 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off.

10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy chariots:

11 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy strong holds:

12 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no more soothsayers:

13 Thy graven images also will I cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands.

14 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee: so will I destroy thy cities.

15 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen, such as they have not heard.

6 Hear ye now what the LORD saith; Arise, contend thou before the mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice.

2 Hear ye, O mountains, the LORD's controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth: for the LORD hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel.

3 O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me.

4 For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

5 O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness of the LORD.

6 ¶ Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old?

7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

9 The LORD's voice crieth unto the city, and the man of wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.

10 ¶ Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is abominable?

is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting. Therefore

will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the residue of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel. And he shall stand, and shall feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. and they shall abide; for now shall

he be great unto the ends of the earth. And this man shall be our peace; when the Assyrian shall come into our land, and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight

principal men. And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances thereof. and he shall deliver us from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within

our border. And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many peoples as dew from the LORD, as showers upon the grass; that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons

of men. And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the nations, in the midst of many peoples, as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he go through, treadeth down

and teareth in pieces, and there is none to deliver. Let thine hand be lifted up above thine adversaries, and let all thine enemies be cut off.

10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and will destroy thy

11 chariots: and I will cut off the cities of thy land, and will throw down all thy strong

12 holds: and I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no more

13 soothsayers: and I will cut off thy graven images and thy pillars out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the

14 work of thine hands. And I will pluck up thine Asherim out of the midst of thee: and I will destroy thy cities. And I will execute

15 vengeance in anger and fury upon the nations which hearkened not.

6 Hear ye now what the LORD saith: Arise, contend thou before the mountains, and let

2 the hills hear thy voice. Hear, O ye mountains, the LORD's controversy, and ye enduring foundations of the earth: for the LORD hath a controversy with his people, and he will

3 plead with Israel. O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied

4 thee? testify against me. For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of bondage; and I sent

5 before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him; remember from Shittim unto Gilgal, that ye may know the righteous

6 acts of the LORD. Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt

7 offerings, with calves of a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the

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R. V.

1 Or, from ancient days

2 Or, with

3 Or, with

8 Or, princes among men

4 Or, eat up

Or, be

sley

herds

over

6 Or, obelisks

6 See Ex xxxiv 13

7 Or, enemies

8 Or, such as they have not heard

9 Or, such as they have not heard

9 Some ancient versions read, fear.

10 Heb. ephah

A. V.

Or, Shall I be pure with, &c.

11 Shall I count *them* pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth.

13 Therefore also will I make *thee* sick in smiting thee, in making *thee* desolate because of thy sins.

14 Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy casting down shall be in the midst of thee; and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and that which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword.

* Deut. 28. 38. Hag. 1. 6.

15 Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oil; and sweet wine, but shalt not drink wine.

Or, he doth much keep the &c.

16 ¶ For the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels; that I should make thee a desolation, and the inhabitants thereof a hissing; therefore ye shall bear the reproach of my people.

* 1 Kin. 16. 25, 26.

7 Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grape gleanings of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit.

* 1 Kin. 16. 30, &c.

Or, astonishment.

2 The good man is perished out of the earth: and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net.

Or, astonishment.

Heb. the gatherings of summer.

3 ¶ That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the judge asketh for a reward; and the great man, he uttereth his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.

* Pa. 12. 1. Is. 57. 1.

Or, godly, or, merciful.

4 The best of them is as a brier: the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen and thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

Heb. the mischief of his evil.

5 ¶ Trust ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide: keep the doors of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy bosom.

* Matt. 10. 21, 35.

Luke 21. 16.

6 For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; and a man's enemies are the men of his own house.

7 Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

8 ¶ Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD shall be a light unto me.

Or, And thou wilt see her that is mine enemy, and cover her with shame.

9 I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I shall behold his righteousness.

* Pa. 79. 10.

& 115. 2. Joel 2. 17.

Heb. she shall be for a treading down.

10 ¶ Then she that is mine enemy shall see it, and shame shall cover her which said unto me, Where is the LORD thy God? mine eyes shall behold her: now shall she be trodden down as the mire of the streets.

* Pa. 79. 10.

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Heb. she shall be for a treading down.

11 In the day that thy walls are to be built, in that day shall the decree be far removed.

12 In that day also he shall come even to thee from Assyria, and from the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and from mountain to mountain.

* Amos 9. 11, &c.

Or, even to.

Or, After that it hath been.

13 Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.

Or, Rule.

* Pa. 72. 9.

Or, creeping things.

14 ¶ Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily in the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed in Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.

15 According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous things.

16 ¶ The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay their hand upon their mouth, their ears shall be deaf.

17 They shall lick the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like worms of the earth:

11 Shall I be pure with wicked balances, and 12 with a bag of deceitful weights? For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth.

13 Therefore I also have smitten thee with a grievous wound; I have made thee desolate because of thy sins. Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy humiliation shall be in the midst of thee: and thou shalt remove, but shalt not carry away safe; and that which thou carriest away will I give up to the sword. Thou shalt sow, but shalt not reap: thou shalt tread the olives, but shalt not anoint thee with oil; and the vintage, but shalt not drink the wine. For the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels: that I should make thee a desolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing; and ye shall bear the reproach of my people.

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R. V.

1 Or, emptiness

2 Or, an astonishment

3 Or, nor firstripe fig which my soul desired

4 Or, Both hands are put forth for evil to do it &c

5 Or, the straightest is as it were taken from &c

6 Or, familiar friend

7 Or, in the Loan will I keep watch

8 See ver. 10.

9 Or, In the day that thy walls are to be built

10 See Zeph. 1. 2.

11 Or, boundary

12 Heb. Mazor

13 Or, Rule

A. V.

* Ex. 34.
6, 7.

they shall be afraid of the LORD our God, and shall fear because of thee.

18 Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth in mercy.

19 He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.

20 Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, and the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.

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R. V.

1 Or, subdue our iniquities
2 Or, Thou wilt shew thy faithfulness &c
3 Heb. give.

NAHUM.

¶ Or, The Lord is a jealous God, and a revenger, &c.
* Ex. 20. 5.
† Heb. that hath fury.
* Ex. 34. 6, 7.
† Heb. stand up.
¶ Or, strength.
† Heb. a counsellor of Bethel.
¶ Or, If they would have been at peace, so should they have been many, and so should they have been.
¶ Heb. burn, and he should have passed away.
† Heb. shorn.
* Is. 52. 7.
Rom. 10. 15.
† Heb. foat.
† Heb. Bethel.
¶ Or, The dispenser, or, hammer.
* Is. 10. 12.
¶ Or, the pride of Jacob as the pride of Israel.
¶ Or, dyed scarlet.
¶ Or, fiery torches

1 THE burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.

2 "God is" jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and is furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies.

3 The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet

4 He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.

5 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.

6 Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.

7 The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.

8 But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.

9 What do ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time.

10 For while they be folded together as thorns, and while they are drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.

11 There is one come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the LORD, a wicked counsellor.

12 Thus saith the LORD; "Though they be quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be cut down, when he shall pass through. Though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.

13 For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.

14 And the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee, that no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will make thy grave; for thou art vile.

15 Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off.

2 "He that dasheth in pieces is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch the way, make thy loins strong, fortify thy power mightly.

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¶ Or, the man of worthlessness Heb. Bethel.

1 Or, oracle concerning
2 Or, as stubble fully dry
3 Or, a wicked counsellor
4 Or, worthlessness Heb. Bethel
5 Or, So will I afflict thee, that I shall afflict &c [Ch. II 1 in Heb.]
6 Or, the man of worthlessness Heb. Bethel.
7 Heb. are with fire of steel.
8 Heb. fir trees