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St Paul's Parsonage

Sandhurst, Australia

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Sir,

You will, doubtless, be surprised
at receiving a letter from this far
distant part of the earth from
one who is an entire stranger
to you personally.

My object in writing is to thank
you most heartily for the very
efficient aid you have rendered
to the cause of religion, and,
I may add, to the cause of
science also, by the publication
of your extremely interesting
& most valuable works.

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I first became acquainted
with your writings by reading
the papers you furnished
for "The Leisure Hour".

The credit work of yours which
fell into my hands was "The
Dawn of Life." About that
time—about twelve months ago.
I had commenced writing to the
newspapers in reply to some
atheistical papers written
by a clever and well-read
contributor. Amongst other
things he attacked the Mosine
account of the Creation. I
had read "Aids to Faith," "Science
and Religion set at Variance,"
"Blinding Lights," "Science
and Revealed Religion,"
"Zoology and Scripture," "Science
and Scripture," "Testimony

of the Rocks." "World before the
Deluge." "Primitive Man" "Past
and Present life of the globe." "The
Beginning of life" &c. &c.

Some furnished solutions of the
difficulties more or less satisfac-
-tory; others very unsatisfactory.

A copy of your book, "The Origin
of the World," having been obtained
from London, for a public
-library in this City, I immedi-
-ately borrowed it, and found
at last the book I required.

I wrote to Melbourne for a copy
for myself but could not procure
it, so I sent to London for it,
and for "The Story of the Earth
and Man" which I have not
been able to procure in Australia.
"The Origin of the World" is, in my
opinion, incomparably the
best work on the subject ex-
-tant. I hope, by ^{that} getting from

it, and by directing attention
to its great intrinsic value, I
may be able to induce many others
to study it as carefully as it deserves.

I have already recommended it to
several of my brethren in the Min-
istry, and have mentioned it to some
booksellers. I am quite charmed
with it. Most of the works written on the
subject of the relation of science to
religion were written either by theologi-
-ans ignorant of science, or by scientif-
-ic men ignorant of and opposed to
religion. In "The Origin of the World"
theological and scientific informa-
-tion are united harmoniously.

Pray accept my warmest thanks
for the timely and effectual
aid you have rendered to the cause
which is dear to my heart.

Believe me to be,

Sir

Most faithfully yours

J. C. MacCallagh

Incumbent of S.^t Paul's Sandhurst

Canon of S.^t James' Melbourne