

three terraces that rose
together. To the right and
left of each terrace, a chain
of small, square, flat tables
no great height, indeed,
bare volume. These were
away on either side of
the stair, one toward the north,
the other toward the south.
In the center of each terrace
round the base of the
each terrace they made a
the traveler approaching
the high terrace, the
the stream to our left
his kraals, built in order-
rampadas, after the Ba-

sonewhat stily, but quite effectively,
by peculiar opening in the roof, from
which the rain was excluded by over-
hanging eaves. The marble floor
was strewn with native mats and skins
of animals. Bookcases filled with books
were placed against the wall. There was
a table in the center, chairs seated with
rings or strips of hide stood about,
and beyond the table was a couch on
which a man was lying reading.

"It is a dead voice," he said, "but
even after so many years seemed familiar
to me." "Where have you been, my
dear? I began to think that you had
lost your soul again."

CHAPTER IV

land was under cultivation. I noted at once, as well as many riches and depth of soil for many ages past had been from the mountains following the line of an old road, on which we now are, that wound up from the sea, my eye lit upon the fier of the scene. For in the topmost platform or terrace, that I had noticed it, I had almost entirely level ground, and almost everywhere of orange trees, some of which I had never seen before. There were three groups

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...would it be better
white man to do so, or
his road?—He found them
...them, their
...my father
...ancient, for the peo-
ple now do not know how
to answer another, and these
wonderfully constructed
...must have stood for
...of them had fallen.
...the quarry where
...cut; it is
...entrance to an ancient
...father thinks was a

to build the marble tumb, and no doubt plenty of red in it and been poured

in silence. I have beautiful signs in Africa, and as in the East, the East is a wilderness, but I ever saw a lovelier one thing—it was the mighty peak looking over everlasting plains, the waterfalls that sparkled on the rivers grilling the rocks, the blue of the sea, the blue, then, the fischer

and a king shall reign out prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. His name shall be called, and his name shall dwell safely, and thus a life name whereby he shall be called. The Lord our Righteousness" (Gen. xxi. 3).

Gen. xxi. 3.—"Forasmuch as thou hast promised to our fathers, and to thy servant Abraham," the oath which we swear to our father Abraham." In Ps. cv. 8-10 the covenant is spoken of as the promise made to Abraham and confirmed to Isaac, and as the fulfilment of the promise in the covenant, is distinctly said to be to give them the Land of Canaan. "any one will take the trouble to read carefully the promises made to Abraham in Gen. xii, xiii, xvi, xxi, xlii, they will see the full terms of that covenant, and sur-

and looks beyond our days.
"4, 13, 'Delivered,' " wrote him,
"and the righteous before
film all the days of our life." One glance at
Israel's present condition, 1,800 years after
their land, still sits among all nations
and the great prophet of the future
then, clearly indicated that the words of the
Spirit through Zacharias and the prophets
have not yet been fulfilled. And the reason
for this is that the Jews, who were
and as they pleased to their Messiah, v. 11,
they rejected Jesus, their Messiah, and cruci-
fied Him, and the kingdom which was at
stake, including Israel's deliverance and res-
toration, has been in the hands of the
power and glory purchased by another
John the Baptist, even Elijah himself, as His fore-

DO NOT TAKE ME LONG TO
BE LONG WILL IT BE BEFORE
I GET HER?

CHAPTER VIII

THE LENGTH OF
TERRACE, OR
TERRACE, WAS
REACHED, AND WE
PUILLED UP OUTSIDE
THE WALL SUR-
ROUNDING THE CE-
NTRAL GROUP OF MA-
NUA HUTS—FOR I
MUST CALL THEM
THAT, FOR WANT OF A BET-

But while Israel's blindness continues be-
cause of their unbelief and rejection of their
Messiah, there is still hope for all who are
people for His name, and whoever is willing
to receive Jesus as their own personal
Savior become true children of the Father
and are not an Israelite in spirit, but in
fact, according to the promise (Gal. 3, 11, 26, 29),
shall in due time find that it means to be
a joint heir with Christ, a king and priest
over the nations. He is the one who is called
King of the Jews, King of kings and Lord
of lords, whom all nations shall serve and
before whom all things shall fall down. Pa-
triarhs, prophets, kings, and all the just, be-
ing delivered from the wrath to come, will
from the power of the devil to harm us, to
serve the Lord Jesus without fail, all the

proach had been observed by a crowd of natives, whose race have never been able to understand patiently; they belonged to the same race as the people of the Zulu, but other than to the Zulu several of these ran up to gaze on us with astonishment and awe. We mingled with a few. We thinking for myself, not by—indeed, had it not occurred to I should have

glory for Christ, but he gladly consumed as
preparation for the joy he soon to come
again. In two ways, he was to be
prepared. His way are of holy lives, separate
from this world, and by winning souls.
"To give knowledge of salvation unto
his people by the preaching of the gospel."
Now, but the Saviour can give salvation, but
he wants can give the knowledge of sal-
vation, and they should all be filled of his
spirit, and then to say (I will, 12, 20,
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