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my servant, Fliakim the son of Hilkiah, another mentioned as one of Hezekiah's officers, and I will clothe him with thh robe and strengthen him with thy girdle, that he is to have the office of Shebna, the treasurer. I will comit the goernment hand and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah, and the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder, and, v.23, I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place. V. 25-In that day, says the Lord, shall the nail that is fastened in the sure place be removed, and be cut down, and fall, for the Lord hath spoken it. This is all dealing with Judah, c. 22, and it is all dealing with the going into exile, and so that, I think puts us as far as the burdens preceding it are, in on entirely ifferent position than as if they were all the enemies of God. Here, as given very definitely, would be Israel. Mr.--- Mr. Horner's suggestion that/chapter, v. 13-16, the shaking of the o?ive tree, are a Jewish remnant in the last days, the 144,000 , a suggestion which, of course, must be considered before a conclusions is reached on the first part of the chapter. Which of the two is itl It, to me, it looks in the direction of the but I am very far from being certain of it, but further, verses l-12, as I incline to feel, are a description of the exile and misery of Palestine, and then a remnant after it, and then looking forward to the last ays when God destroys the enemy and brings an end to this age, or whether the whole chapter is a picture of the last days. I think, at least it is not plus 10 for either one of these two. It is-sthere is something to be said both ways but the last three verses certainly seem to look to the end of the age. That seems to be quite definite, which of the other two we can't tell. (Student) Yes. 17 ff . at least would seem to be a description of the terrible judgment at the end of the age, wouldn't its Whether 16 is or not I think we might say is not plus 10 , that that is still somewhat questionable. Well, now we have opened up the question of this 24 th chapter and seen something of what is definite I think, what can be plus 10 , what can be plus 9 , what ${ }_{\text {wfit }}$ e plus 5 or plus or minus 5. I think we've got an idea of the main problem of the chapter

