4—11. ST, MATTHEW. 168   
   
 dom : and there shall be famines [t and pestilences], feh.x.17,   
 8 All these are the beginning £2.17 9,   
 earthquakes, in divers places. they deliver you up to be xvi? Acts   
 of ®gorrows.   
 afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all po ue, 10,   
 nations for my name’s sake. 10 And then shall many & be i Tina:   
 offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one ™Q.7."%,   
   
 another. 115 And many false prophets shall rise, and ! shall 111m, i.1.   
 v. 3,   
 t omit. 2 sce note. 5,   
 at Jammia, a city on the coast of Judea to imply that earthquakes should be in   
 near Joppa. Many other such national Judwa or Jerusalem. We have an account   
 tamaults are reco! by Josephus. In of one in Jerusalem, in Josephus, which   
 one place he calls sedition @ preface Mr. Greswell (as above) about Nov.   
 the siege. famine, and pestilence, A.D. 67. On the additions in Luke xxi.   
 is coupled to it in Luke, are usual com- 11, see notes there a and aon whole   
 panions. With regard to the first, passage see the in ron. X¥.   
 well shews that the famine prophesied of 5—7, and Jer. li. 46. the begin-   
 in the Acts (xi. happened in the ninth ning of sorrows (literally birth   
 of Claudius, a.p. 49. It was great at in reference to the regeneration xix,   
 Rome,—and therefore probably Egypt and 28), which is precede the consummation   
 Africa, on which the Romans depended so of this age. So Paul in Rom. viii. the   
 much for supplies, were themselves whole creation... together until   
 affected by it. Suetonius of con- now. The death-throes of Jewish state   
 tinwal droughts; and Tacitus of dearth the ‘ regeneration’ the universal   
 of crops, and thence famine, about the istian Church, as the death-throes of   
 same time. There was a famine in Judea this world the heavens and new earth.   
 in the reign of Claudius true date of 9—18.] Then, at this   
 which however Mr. Greswell believes be this period, not ‘after thi: have   
 the third of Nero), by Josephus. happened.” These words serve only defi-   
 And as to pestilences, their occur- nitely to fix the time of the indefinite   
 rence might, as above, be inferred from then, here and in ver. 10, The then in   
 the other, we have distinct accounts a ver. 14 is, from the constraction of the   
 pestilence at Rome (4.D. 65) in sentence, more definite. For kill you,   
 and Tacitus, which in a single autumn Luke has some of you shall they cause to   
 carried. 30,000 persons at Rome. But be put to death, viz. the This   
 sach matters as these not often related ign was early given. James the brother   
 by historians, of more than usual of John was put to death, Peter   
 severity. earthquakes] The principal and Paul (traditionally) James the   
 earthquakes occurring between this pro- Lord’s brother, before the destruction   
 phecy and the destruction of Jerusalem Jerusalem: and possibly others. ye   
 were, (1) a great earthquake’ in Crete, shall be See Acts xxviii. Taci-   
 4.D. 46 or 47; (2) one at Rome on the tus says that Nero, the conflagration   
 day when Nero essumed the mank of Rome, ited Christians, ‘a   
 4.D. 51; (8) one at Apamea in Phrygia, men detested for their ;’ also see   
 mentioned by Tacitus, 53; (4) one at 1 Pet. ii, 12; iii, 16; iv. 14—16. In   
 Laodicea in Phrygia, a.p. 60; (5) one in chap. x. 22, from which these verses are   
 Campania. Seneca, in the year ‘A.D. repeated, we have only “of all” (men)—   
 writes :—‘ How often have cities Asia here nations is giving particularity   
 and Achwa fallen with one fatal shock to the prophecy. 10.) See 2 Tim. iv.   
 how ant icieee have been swallowed up 16, and the warnings against   
 in Syria, how many in Macedonia! How ay yy in the Epistle to the Hebrews.   
 often has Cyprus been wasted by this e persons spoken of in this verse ure   
 calamity! how often has Paphos become Christians. Tacitus says, that the first   
 a ruin! News has often been brought apprehended by Nero confessed, and then   
 us of the demolition of whole cities at a great multitude were apprehended   
 once.” The prophecy, mentioning in their information, xv. On offended,   
 divers places (place for place,—i.e. see note, ch. xi, 6. On hate one   
 and there, in its particular another, compare the deadly hatred   
 as we say, “up and down”), does not seem to St. and his work by the Judaizers.