

to speak as the Bible does of Solomon's glory and greatness and to magnify the little temple that he built or that Hiram built for him is as ~~fix~~ if someone was to speak of a negro ~~chauffeur~~ chauffeur on the gold coast of Chicago were to boast about the new automobile~~x~~ that his employ~~er~~ had purchased. Now that is how H.G. Wells ran down the importance of the thing ~~s~~ that happened in Palestine and particular the importance of Solomon. Now when I read those words I realized that to~~x~~ many people statements like that coming from a reputation that Wells would have the influence as belittling and running down the Bible. It certainly to me lowered my respect for Wells. Wells wrote a book called The Outline of History that ~~had~~ had a ~~gr-b~~ very great vogue a few years ago, but why would a man who was an expert in history or seem to be speak so of Palestine, as though nothing of any importance ~~k~~ happened in Palestine. After all, even if one doesn't believe in ~~Chr~~ Christianity, surely one must recognize that monotheistic religions has been a great force in civilizations, and the three great monotheistic religions: Christianity and Judaism both had their rise from events in Palestine, and the third one Mohammedism is closely related to events in Palestine and seems to be based upon them. ~~So~~ So surely here was a great ~~history~~ historical force, ~~whether one believes~~ whether one believes anything about it or not, which had its source in Palestine, and yet Wells ~~said~~ said, No thing of any ~~importance~~ importance ever happened in Palestine. In ~~a~~ addition to that, if Wells was confident really to write an Outline history, surely he must realize that alphabetic writing has been a tremendous help in civilization. And every ~~system~~ system that the world ~~y~~ has yet known which ~~a~~ has any evidence has ever been found, is directly derived from a system of alphabetic writing which was invented in southern Palestine about 1500 BC. And then this system of alphabetic writing