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THE

TROUBLES OF LIFE.

Being a familiar Description of the Troubles

Of the Poor Laborer,
Of the Little Shopkeeper.
Of the Great Tradesman.
Of the Sick Man.
Of the Disappointed Lover.
Of the Unhappy Husband.
Of the Widower who has lately lost his Wife.

AND LASTLY,

Of the Child of Sorrow,

Who has met with Trouble upon Trouble, and is without Hope in this World.

TO WHICH IS ADDED,

The Story of the Guinea and the Shilling.

Being a Cure for Trouble in general.

TOETHER WITH

Suitable Christian Comfort under each of the Cases abovementioned.



THE

TROUBLES of LIFE, &c.

fparks fly upward." It is not every one however that believes this melancholy truth. Young people especially are apt to imagine that the world is full of pleasure and enjoyment; their hearts beat high with expectation as they enter into it; they trust that all their schemes will answer, and they seldom calculate on trials, losses, and disappointments. I propose here in the first place to present to my young and A 2 sanguine

fanguine Readers the picture of a few of the chief troubles of life which are often too much concealed from them. The view of these may serve perhaps to cool a little the wonted ardor of youth; and to prepare the inexperienced mind for scenes which it may by-and-by chance to see realized.

But now in what way shall I enter on the vast field that is before me? for when I take up human Sorrows as my subject, methinks I see a thousand forms of misery present themselves before me. I will begin with one of those sorts of mifery which are the most common. I mean those which great Poverty brings with it.

The POOR LABORER.



Reader, thou art one, as I will suppose, who heretofore by dint of hard work didst provide thyself with bread,

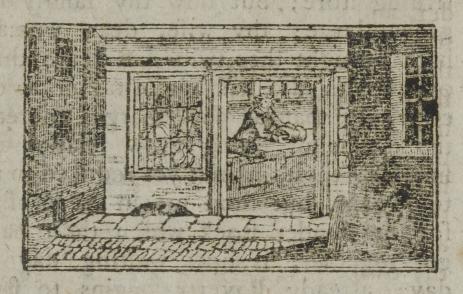
and didst even lay up for a time some trifling store; but now thy family has grown large; thy wife, dear woman! hath brought thee twins last year: thine own health also has begun rather to decline, so that as thy charges increase thy means of living grow smaller and smaller: thou art not yet reduced to actual want, but thou art in dread of it, for the slender stock which thou hadst got together, is now wasting day by day: already Poverty begins to stare thee in the face: already thou hast pawned a spoon or a piece of less ne-cessary furniture, or perhaps a Sunday Coat, and in another week thou must part with thy wife's cloak, and perhaps an upper blanket also: thou dost hope indeed to redeem the more needful articles, but it is very doubtful whether thou wilt ever do it; thou feemest to be descending gently by the same way that many have trod before thee down into the workhouse; or if some friendly hand forbid not, perhaps into a dreadful Tail.

We will now draw a Picture of that distress to obtain a living which is com-

mon in a little higher life.

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The LITTLE SHOPKEEPER.



It may be thou art one, who having married a year or two ago, didst then fet out merrily in the world in some little shop fitted up on the occasion, and every pound, as thou didst then calculate, would produce by this time another pound by due diligence in thy The little substance which thy deceased father lest thee, and thy wife brought thee, were put together for a capital, from which were to arise these ample profits of the shop; -but, alas! the war has happened; trade is grown dull; thou has gone into it at a wrong time, or hast chosen a wrong branch of commerce; thou didst turn dealer in Silks just when the filk trade began declining, in Gauzes which went out of fashion

shion in the same year, or in hair powder, and now the use of it is taxed: or thou haft hired perhaps a large house for the fake of having with it a better shop, meaning to let a part in lodg-ings, and to live with thy little family in one snug corner of it; but thou hast failed in getting lodgers; thy customers also pay but slowly, so that thou art no longer punctual in fatisfying thy own engagements: thou wast obliged the other day to borrow a small sum of an old trusty friend: but under promise of secrecy, lest it should hurt thy credit; and yesterday thou didst apply to a fecond friend in like manner, but he was low in purse, he was borrowing at that time himself, or he was engaged just then; in short, he did not care to trust thee-thou must try a third friend to-day, and it he fails thee thou must break perhaps to-morrow: thou hast been going on for months in the same daily dread of bankruptcy, and yet thou are counted to live in comfort, for thou carrieft about with thee a cheerful look; in thy face fits finiling plenty, and eafe, and comfort, and fatisfaction, and thy thopntastomi

shop shines with it's usual lustre; for it is thus thou strivest to uphold thy credit, so that thou dost bear thy part with many others, in spreading over the world an outward shew of happiness and prosperity, but at the same time there is grief, and pain, and gnawing care, and sear and consternation in thy heart.

Nor ought we to think that all those even are free from keen anxiety about the means of living who seem to be placed out of the reach of real poverty, and whose bread at least, comparatively speaking, is very sure; for let it be remembered, that imaginary wants may be the cause of Real Misery.

The GREAT TRADESMAN.



Observe that great and once thriving trader, he had saved awhile ago ten thousand

thousand pounds; but in the last year he has gone a little back in the world; fome new patent has been invented; some cheap shop has risen up; some unexpected rival has entered the town; he has been fo long used to a large income, and he has formed all his plans on so certain an expectation of it's continuance, that he feels almost as much at the dropping off of his trade as if he was fuffering with actual hunger. To be thrown, as he calls it, out of his former bread, to see the downfal of his once reputable and thriving shop, to part also with his pleafant Country Box, and to fell his new Horse and Whisky; at the fame time to reduce his whole scale of living, and to change the plan of education also for his Children, and to retire in short with only eight or ten thoufand Pounds in hand instead of the expected twenty, is one of the most hard and trying cases, as he gravely tells you, that ever was experienced.

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The SICK MAN.



Thou art one perhaps on whom money flows in apace, but thou art of a very fickly constitution. Alas! all thy wealth cannot purchase for thee a healthy body: it cannot foothe thy pain or stop the course of thy disorder; Physicians are called in but it is in vain: they do but fend thee from place to place in fearch of health -thy schemes in life too are all now broken, for thy life itself is in danger. Once thou didst hope to see many days, and to marry some woman of thine acquaintance whose image is still haunting thy imagination, and to be the joyful Parent of Children, but this fad disorder has dashed all thy hopes to pieces: though rolling in wealth and in the prime of life, though blest with friends who might

might be very serviceable, and though secretly loved by her on whom thy own affections have been fixed, yet all these blessings only serve to give a sharper edge to thy disappointment, for in the moment of attaining every thing which thy fond heart could wish, the cup of happiness is snatched from thy lips, and thou art driven away to an untimely grave.

But let us turn to another case of mi-

sery.

The DISAPPOINTED LOVER.



Thou art one perhaps that is croffed in love; with warm, and eager, and impatient affections thou purfuest one who neglects, avoids, or even despises thee perhaps she loved or seemed to love thee once, but she has lately jilted thee; or perhaps

perhaps she loves thee still, but prudence forbids the match; friends have interfered strongly with their authority; and the obedient girl has kindly though resolutely entreated thee to take leave of her for ever. Thou art consident nevertheless in thy own mind, that if she were partner of thy lot thou couldst bear any state of life with pleasure; poverty would be no poverty, pain itself would lose it's nature in her beloved society; but without her, life is insupportable, and that Death which others dread is become the very object of thy gloomy wishes and expectations.

The UNHAPPY HUSBAND.



But now to reverse the picture, thou art one perhaps who in the fondness and eagerness of youth hast married the very object of thy choice. O what a happy

man! what an enviable lot is thine! But let us wait a year or two and observe the issue. In a little time the charm is broken: Beauty soon fades! a horrible temper also, quite unperceived at first, is broken out. She whom thou didst look up to as an angel is become a very fury: quarrels distract thy family day by day; and the very partner of thy life is become thy grief, thy shame, and thy torment; thou must now pay the forfeit of thy imprudence by bearing this worst of burthens for all thy remaining days. Nay, thou must also bear it in silence, lest thy shame should be published fo much the more, and lest thy wise's ill temper should be worked up even to frenzy if thou shouldst make the smallest complaint.

But why will you describe human life so gloomily? Perhaps some Reader may reply: very great happiness is indeed uncommon, but the bulk of mankind do not meet with any such miseries as these, for instance, how comfortable am I! I am blest with a very tolerable degree of health, my trade also on the whole supports me decently, and I have many friends; I have at the same time a pleasing

pleasing family growing up around me, and the partner of my lot instead of being such a woman as you have painted is most exemplary, and affectionate, and kind.

Is this then the ground on which all your happiness is rested? We will now draw another picture of human calamity.

The WIDOWER.



Observe that wife, so pleasing in her person, so cheerful also in her temper, so valuable as the industrious and clever parent of her many children, and so attentive and affectionate also to her husband. Early love united them, unreserved intimacy has endeared them still further, and a long connection has rendered them now quite needful to each other; the husband's life is bound up in that of

his wife in a degree of which he is hardly vet aware. See her begin to sicken and to grow a little pale. At first the disease is trifling; she has walked out in the dewy night and caught a cold, but the cough has increased, and it is now three months fince that unlucky day. The tender husband begins to be alarmed. Love indeed is apt to be anxious, and the herself begs him therefore not to be fo much afraid. Another month passes off and the cough is not removed. Her pulse grows quick, her sleep forsakes her, and many dreadful fymptoms enfue. What are now the feelings of this once happy husband? He walks with a melancholy look and in a neglected dress over the house, and he thinks his own life already too great a burthen to be borne. As the danger of her death begins to appear his state of suspense also is affecting beyond measure. His hope rifes high with each little favourable change, and in a day or two after he is half frantic with fear. In the mean time his own health through long watching begins materially to fail. And now her end draws near. That face once so beautiful begins to be desormed B 2 his

by a ghastly hue, the lips are turned pale and quivering, the tongue is parched, the very reason fails her, so that she knows not the voice of her husband though he calls her by her name. At last a cold sweat is observed to be passing over her limbs, her eye is fixed, the last agony arrives, and she expires in his arms. O what a dreary scene does the world now present to this husband, who a few months before was boasting of his happiness, and to this once enamoured lover!

And here let it be remarked that this fort of event is one that is by no means macommon. It is one which every family has to witness. Let every loving husband remember (we shall speak hereafter of the use to which the remembrance may be turned) that he has to fee the day when he shall be thus separated from his wife, or else that the wife has to endure a like separation from her husband. Let him reflect that it often happens also, that in proportion as the pleasure in each other's society has been great, and the love ardent, the parting pang is found to be severe. Scenes of a like kind are to be expected also again and and again in life. At one time a beloved parent is in the course of nature removed; at another a much honoured uncle or patron, who had become a fecond father, is carried off in his turn. Now a brother or fifter, or a dear friend and companion is torn away, and now a blooming hopeful and perhaps an only child is hurried into an untimely grave. And so quickly does death oftentimes repeat his stroke, that perhaps the mourner has scarcely wiped away his tears for one beloved relative or child, before some other tender connection is alike torn from his embraces, and is buried in the fame tomb.

The CHILD of SORROW.



But let us speak now of those who seem to unite in themselves a vast variety of griefs, and who therefore may be called

most emphatically the Children of Sorrow. There are fome persons who seem to have every thing make against them; they have had neither the fuccess in bunness, nor yet the health of other men, and they have experienced also their full share of affecting deaths in their family. Some there are also of these children of affliction who experience in the evening of their days some additional and aggravated calamity, whereby their grey hairs are brought down in forrow to the grave. There are some mothers also, of whom, besides all their other griefs, it may be remarked, that though they have many children, yet they never succeed in rearing them. Imagine to yourself a mother who is now poor and helpless and a widow woman also, who has brought forth a large family of children, and has successively indulged the hope of rearing every one of them. By the time that she has reached old age she is bereft at length of them all; broken down with age and adverfity, the lamp of life feebly burning, she may be likened to the shattered trunk of an ancient tree, the root of which has still a little life in it, though

griefs, and who therefore may be called

the lightening has deprived of all it's once flourishing branches. But to put a still more deplorable though not uncommon case. We sometimes hear also of the single survivor of ten or fifteen children, and if we enquire we perhaps find that this extraordinary mortality is to be accounted for by there having been a taint in the blood of the family, of which taint this furviving child also has partaken, and has already fuffered much pain from it, though it's death is not yet arrived. How comfortless as to this world is the condition of such a person! 66 an untimely birth," methinks 66 is better than he;" for if this life only be considered, nothing methinks can be more forrowful as well as desperate than the lot of such a fickly, perhaps deformed. and though in some sense pitied, yet at the same time neglected being; it seems only to have lived to bear the anguish of it's disorder, and to witness the mortality of it's family.

But it is time to break off from this melancholy subject, and to speak of the relief which religion brings to the several calamities of life.

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We have hitherto avoided introducing any thing religious into the characters we have drawn, because we wished to paint the misery strongly, which we could not have done if the comforts of christianity had made a part of the picture. We will endeavour to explain ourselves in the first place by the following familiar story.

The GUINEA and the SHILLING.



It happened once that a person was travelling on foot a long way from home, with exactly a guinea and a shilling in his pocket; as he walked by the side of a hill, in taking out his purse one of the pieces dropt out through an unlucky hole which there was in it; it proved, however, most fortunately to be only the shilling: He looked around him for the piece

piece which was lost with some care, but whether it had got hid in the long grass on his right hand, or whether it had rolled off a long way down the hill to the left, or whether it had even tumbled into the river at the bottom, is what he never could discover. He spent about half an hour in looking round and round after it, 'till he began to think that he was losing more time and trouble than the piece of money was worth, so he proceeded on his day's journey, comforting himself as he went that he had his guinea still safe in his pocket, and that he had lost nothing but the shilling.

Let us apply the flory. Reader thou art one that hast met with some of those losses, troubles, or disappointments, which have been just described, but thou art nevertheless one of those happy perfons who, having embraced the Gospel of Christ with their whole heart, are made partakers of it's infinite and unspeakable blessings; thou hast lost, as I will suppose, thy wealth, thy health, or thy dearest earthly relatives: Nay, thou hast lost every thing that can be dear to thee in this life. Be comforted—thou hast only lost thy shilling; it is merely thy temporal

temporal comforts that are gone from thee: the Blessings of the Gospel still remain, Heaven is thine, Eternity is thine, consolations which the world can neither give nor take away are still in thy possesfion, and thou art an heir of everlasting life. These immense riches continue with thee, and are like the Guinea in hand, on which thou mayest still cast an eye of complacency, when all earthly things have flipt from thee like the shilling, and are no where to he found. I grant the loss is not altogether to be made light of: it may become thee to use for awhile thy best diligence to repair thy loss, just as the traveller spent half an hour in fearching for his shilling, but lose not the whole day of life in looking for that which is utterly vanished, but rather pursue thy journey, comforting thyself that thou hast not lost thy Guinea.

But now to be more particular, let us fhew what a new character Religion gives to each of the cases we were speaking of,

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The POOR LABORER.

Know then thou that art finking through poverty, that the greatest of all the evils that can befal thee is hardness of heart. Now it is certain, that although extreme Poverty may bring many trials, yet great Riches bring many more. It is Riches that harden the heart. How bardly, says Christ, shall they that are rich enter into the kingdom of beaven. While on the other hand God often chuses. the Poor of this world to be Rich in faith, and heirs of the Kingdom of heaven. How does this thought at once reverse all the common notions on this subject. The first Christians took joyfully the spoiling of their Goods, knowing that they had in Heaven a better and more enduring substance. And the Christian of the present day, whether he be a Labourer, a Shopkeeper, or a more confiderable Trader, Having the same treasure in Heaven, will, under all his Croffes, feel a measure of the same comfort. Having food and raiment, said the apostle, let us therewith be content. I have learnt, said he, every where and in all things, both

to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need, I can do all things through Christ that strengtheneth me.

The SICK MAN.

We spoke of the case of a prosperous but dying man, who, when he is beginning to taste the cup of worldly pleasure, sees it dashed from his lips and is hurried off to his Grave. What now is wanting to comfort the mind under this fort of misery? undoubtedly the thing that is wanting to this man is the view of a nobler and better happiness in the world to which he is departing; the view of an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in Heaven for him. St. Paul wished to depart and be with Christ, which he judged to be far better than any bleffings here, and in every age there has been many a Christian of the same stamp with the apostle, who has been willing, yea, glad to part with all his inviting profpects in this world, in order to pass into that Land where there is " fullness of joy," and where it is the chief description of it's

it's pleasures, that they are " Pleasures which are at God's Right hand for ever more."

The DISAPPOINTED LOVER.

The man whom we described under this character was a worldly irreligious kind of man. Take away his irreligion and you evidently take away much of his mifery also. Teach him to view the hand of Providence in his disappointment, teach him to love God and to defire his favour above all things, and to be afraid of idolizing a fellow creature, teach him also that general moderation about all earthly things which the view of heavenly ones inspires, and which a recollection of the shortness of this life also tends to produce, and the lover who before was mad with impatience and eager desires, will now have his affections regulated, and in a measure at least sub-dued. To such we add, " let your mo-deration be known unto all men; be careful for nothing; the Lord is at hand—finally, my brethren, the time is short, it remaineth that they that have wives

that buy as though they had none, and they that buy as though they possessed not, for the fashion of this world passeth away."

The UNHAPPY HUSBAND.

We put the case of a person whom we supposed to be unhappily connected for life, with a most vexatious and unfuitable partner, and who had nobody to sympathize with him in his misery: there is in the world a large class of griefs of this kind, of griefs I mean which are most deeply felt, but which nevertheless must not be told; there are many which arise out of a variety of awkward circumstances not easy to be described, and there are many also which fall heavy on persons of particular tempers or constitutions, and the secrecy often necessary to be observed in these instances is apt to form a great aggravation of the pain. Now in all fuch cases how foothing and encouraging a thing is Religion; it comes in aid when human help fails; it teaches us in particular that all that christian patience which is exercifed in fecret, under awkward and trying fing and perhaps discreditable circumstances is witnessed by the Eye of God, and that although no honor is connected with it in this world, yet it shall in no wise lose it's reward, for "our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh out for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of Glory."

The WIDOWER.

There is no case in which Religion appears to more advantage than in that of a Husband losing a tender and valuable Wise. I say this on the supposition however that not only the surviving husband is religious, but that he has reason to hope that so was the deceased wife also: in such case "we forrow not as others which have no hope, for if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." It is true the body must decay, and must be carried down to the tomb. "Earth to Earth, Ashes to Ashes, and Dust to Dust."

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But soon "the trumpet shall sound, and the Dead shall be raised incorruptible." Soon "this Corruptible shall put on incorruption, and this Mortal shall put on immortality. And then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in Victory. O Death where is thy Sting, O Grave where is thy Victory." That mortal part of our deceased friend which we are lodging so mournfully in the Grave, is compared in Scripture to



the Seed which is planted in the Earth, and of which the Husbandman does not allow himself to regret the loss for the joy of that future increase which is to spring from it, the seeming loss of the Seed and it's burial under the Earth are necessary in order to it's bursting out again. "That which thou sowest," says the apostle, " is not quickened except it die, so also is the resurrection of the body." And how glorious is that change which it is to experience after Death, et it is sown in Corruption, it is raised in incorruption, it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in Glory, it is sown in weakness it is raised in power, it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body." Faith then believes this testimony of God, expects the promised change, understands the use and benefit of Death, and even glories in it. The Christian Husband and his Wife shave many a time conversed together concerning this expected change, and it has been a chief business of their life to be prepared for it, and however favorable their lot in this world may have been, Death they know will be their greatest gain: to die is in their case to be promoted to

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to honor: it is as if having fared but moderately at home a man had got some good place abroad, and the earlier death of the wife is but like the wife's setting sail to the new country in an earlier ship, knowing that the husband is soon to follow; the parting in such case may be a little melancholy, but then the separation will be short, and if the tears begin to rise, they are presently restrained again at the thought of the vast improvement which is about to be experienced in their fortune.

The CHILD of SORROW.

And now if Christianity is so needful in the case of all these individual
troubles of life, how much more so
must it be when affliction is added to
affliction, and when a thousand troubles meet together? Ye unbelieving men
who put from you the hope of a future world, and the blessed consolations of the Gospel, come now and contemplate with me the case of that person
who is oppressed with poverty, worn
down at the same time with sickness,
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and utterly desperate as to this world Behold that miserable object, that wretch desormed in person as well as destitute of friends, that Lazarus who lies at the Gate full of Sores, and is begging a few crumbs of bread! Go now and comfort him with those consolations which Infidels have to offer to the afflicted. I suppose you will bid him hope for a little better health, and will recommend it to him to take the medicines proper for his disorder. But, alas! medicine cannot help him, for the Physician has told him so. You will still perhaps encourage him to ex-pect, however, in one way or other, some more happy turn in his fortune. But his case is desperate; the friend's who once took care of him, and whom he tenderly loved, are dead; his pain also is daily growing upon him, and his disease is mortal. Well then as it is a case of necessity you advise him to be refigned; but refigned to what? Refigned to want and fickness, and to the loss of all things? Resigned to mifery as long as he lives, and after this refigned to a gloomy and hopeless death? you give him no ground for Resignation.

tion. Refignation on your plan is contrary to reason! you boast of your reason, but you are of all men most unreasonable if you pretend you can supply the miserable with comfort. No, you must own the case is beyond you, and like the Levite, you must turn your face another way, and leave him in the ditch till some Christian comes, like the good Samaritan, and pours into his wounds the oil and wine of the Gospel. And you also, O ye gay and thoughtless! who though you dare not deny the truth of the Gospel yet neglect it, and even despise the more serious followers of it, own that at least the Gospel has it's uses here, and that there are some persons in the world to whom even the most lively hope of immortality may, without offence, be declared to be a thing most ardently to be desired: for what is a mere or-. dinary profession of Christianity to such persons? it is only through a deep and heart-felt experience of the great Doctrines of the Gospel, that any real relief under these heavy afflictions is to be in the least expected; if troubles then arise and increase upon us, it is

by still more exalted views of Christianity that we must feek comfort under them.

But let us now shew how these heavy afflictions may not only be made tolerable, but how they may be made useful, and turned even into bleffings. Ah! how many are there who at fetting out in life have been favoured with much worldly happiness, yet during all this time no thanks have been excited to God who was the giver of it, no prayers or praises have ascended to the great Father of Mercies, and none of the wealth or talents bestowed upon them has been laid out in his service: but by-and-by troubles have come, and as these troubles have increased the heart has begun to be softened; disappointed and desperate as to this world, they have now turned their thoughts to a better: Worn down with grief, overwhelmed with losses, or tormented by keen anguish in their bodies, they have cast a longing look towards that world where " there is no more fickness, nor sorrow, nor pain, and where God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes." 66 Behlod," says the Prophet in the name of God to the Ifraelites, of I

bave chosen thee in the furnace of affliction;" he called these Israelites in the midst of the afflictions of Babylon, as he had their fathers in the afflictions of Egypt. St. Paul observes to the Thessalonians, " and ye became followers of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, and with joy of the Holy Ghost." Some there are who feem to have passed through trouble only that they may be brought to a state of peace and joy in believing: they owe that cheerfulness which you now see in them, to some former gloom. Once they were gay and thoughtless, as some of our Readers may now be, and their joy was then as the crackling of thorns, which was soon over, but now there is a new foundation for their happiness. Now they trust not in riches or health, in wife or children, for they have found all these to be but as a broken reed, on which if a man leans it shall surely fail him. They have learnt to " trust therefore in the living God," and in the sure mercies of a Saviour: being weaned from the world, they now have learnt that holy art of using it so as not to abuse it, knowing that 66 the time is 66 short,

"Inort, and that the fashion of this "world passeth away," Come life, come death, Come sickness, poverty or disgrace, Come loss of friends, Come trouble of whatever kind, they stand ready. "None of these things now move them, so that they may finish their course with joy." They are now measuring the value of every thing by it's tendency to promote their eternal good, and under whatever circumstances they may fall. They are therefore comforted by that all-sufficient promise, that all things shall work together for good to them that love God, to them that are called according to his purpose.

What a new view then does the Gofpel give us of the afflictions of life? It lessens some of them, and it turns others even into joy, and it teaches us to consider every one of them as appointed by that wise and merciful Being, who knoweth our nature, and who while he seems to visit us in judgment, is perhaps only showering down his best bless-

ings upon us.

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