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BY HER PATHER

"All thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy oblidren."—Isasas liv. 13.

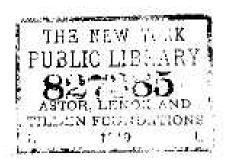
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"Tis sweet, as year by year we lose Friends out of sight, in faith to muse How grows in paradise our store."

Kana's Christian Year. TO

THE MEMORY

OF

MY DAUGHTER.

"If death my child and me divide;
Thou dost not, Lord, my sorrow chide,
Nor frown my tears to see;
Restrained from passionate excess,
Thou bidst me mourn in calm distress,
For her that rests in thee."
Charles Weller.

PREFACE

TO

ACCOUNT OF ACREAH W. DISOSWAY.

The writer of the following pages, having been for a long time connected with sabbath schools, either as a teacher or superintendent, and having observed with what eagerness the children under his charge have received the accounts of the experience of their little companions who have gone to another world, has been induced, he trusts, with "an eye single to the glory of God," to prepare the following sketch, particularly for the use of Sunday schools.

It is also due to the dear subject of this memoir, that she should not sink into the silent grave without some memorial of her worth; and although the text "the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance," may not be strictly applicable to one so very young, still the many shining excellences of the departed child would seem to demand some tribute of respect, and the writer does not know any better way of effecting this object, and at the same time turning his sad bereavement to some good account, than by holding up her virtues and example for the imitation of the rising generation.

We hope our little readers will bear in mind, that the dear child, a sketch of whose life is here given, was not six years old at the time of her decease; and yet they will see how powerful her religious impressions were at this tender age. She was not too young, to use her own words, "to love the Lord." If this child, who had numbered but five summers, in the days of her sojourn in this world, was so obedient to her parents, and attentive to her religious duties, we have a right to expect that those who have been spared to attain to twice her years and more, will far excel her in all those virtues which should adorn the early lives of those who have been blessed in being born in this enlightened day.

Teachers, and others connected with sabbath schools, will perceive that our aim has been to make this memoir practical and didactic, so as to be read to the school from the desk of the superintendent. This will afford a good opportunity for direct application and enlargement on the different points, as they are presented to the minds of the children. It is our ardent prayer to God, that his blessing may attend this effort to pro-