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THE readers of this little volume cannot fail to perceive, in the lofty sentiments and elevating thoughts which it embodies, the loving heart and noble mind of its young and lamented authoress.

During a short life of twenty summers, the intervals of health which she enjoyed were very few; but her perfect trust in God enabled her to bear, without a murmur, all her sufferings. Her constant desire was to benefit her fellow-creatures; but as, unfortunately, her health would not permit her to be

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actively employed in their service, she wrote the following letters, in the hope of imbuing those who might read them with a loftier conception of the sublime Truth of that beloved Faith, which upheld her through long days of suffering and pain, and enabled her to meet death with pious resignation.

All her hopes were fixed on the glorious future that awaited her in the world to come. Religion, in its truest and most beautiful form, was the guiding star both of her thoughts and actions; and the love and charity she evinced for all God's creatures, proved how entirely she carried into effect that Divine precept of Judaism:

LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR AS THYSELF.

L.C.

February, 1869.