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NOTE-TO FRIENDS.

It is due not less to myself than to both the esteemed Author and Publishers (whose prompt attention and skill I would here gratefully acknowledge,) to explain that the long delay in issuing this memorial volume is wholly owing to repeated accidents and failures in efforts to obtain pictures that would be truly a likeness of the Subject and acceptable to the Friends; but whilst the result, as to engraving, is not all that was expected, yet it is hoped so much change for the better has been made as to seem a compensation for all this tedious waiting, which to myself, more than to others, has been a source of deep disappointment and regret.

H. C. STEPHENS.

NEW BRITAIN, CONN., Dec., 1870.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Pleanor Pruce Stephens,

WIFE OF

HENRY C. STEPHENS.

BY HER PASTOR,
REV. C. L. SOODELL

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his Saints. Ps. cxvi. 15.

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This Memorial, written by an esteemed friend and pastor as a tribute of affectionate sympathy in days of darkness and sorrow, is printed with loving care for the eye of friends, and dedicated to the dear one whose memory is a joy to the heart, whom her presence can cheer no more till the great sun-rising.

H. C. S.

NEW BRITAIN, October, 1869.





Cleanor B. Stephens_



I Corinthians, xv: 42, 43, 44.

"So also is the resurrection of the dead, 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. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body."

The resurrection of the dead was a very precious doctrine to the apostles and early Christians. It was an important and formative article in their creeds; and so long as the blood of Christ was warm in the veins of his followers, it was a vital power in their hearts. When friends died "they comforted one another with these words." When they thought of the "cold and narrow house" to which they