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“Toil, trial, and suffering, still await us, and the experience of every day teaches that we are not sufficient to ourselves.”

“Come unto me, all ye that are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

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SENIOR PASTOR OF THE CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH.

They who sow in tears shall reap in joy.

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1858.

Es

THE FAMILIES

AMONG WHOM I HAVE LIVED FOR MORE THAN TWENTY YEARS,
WHOSE SORROWS ARE MINE, AND WHOSE HEARTS
ANSWER TO MY OWN IN THE AFFECTIONATE
REMEMBRANCE OF OUR DEAD,

This Little Book

IS RESPECTFULLY DEDICATED BY THEIR FRIEND

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I AM almost tempted to hope that these pages will be read by none except those who have already learned, under the Discipline of Sorrow, that familiar truths bring the most effectual consolation. I have aimed at no originality of thought or novelty of expression, but, on the contrary, have sought to express the feelings which are common to all who mourn, in words which have become, through frequent use, the peculiar language of sorrow. To those who have felt only the lighter afflictions of life, the consolations here offered will seem trite and insufficient. But I humbly hope that those upon whom the heavier burden has been laid,

and who do not seek diversion from grief, but the power of Christian endurance, will recognize in these common words their own individual experience, and perhaps be assisted in finding the strength which they individually need.

St. Louis, Mo., May 11, 1855.

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