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'Teach me, my God and King, In all things Thee to see, And what I do in any thing, To do it as for Thee.'

-HERBERT.





### MARY BRUNTON.

#### CHAPTER I.

one of the common open stairs, so often seen in our Scotch towns, a little girl had seated herself one afternoon in early March. It was one of those days in which a bitter east wind, combined with a drizzling rain, made the air almost as cold as in mid-winter; but

this stair was sheltered from both wind and rain, and was a favourite resting place of the little damsel we are going to introduce to our young readers.

Little Mary Brunton was the eidest daughter of poor, but very respectable people. She had two