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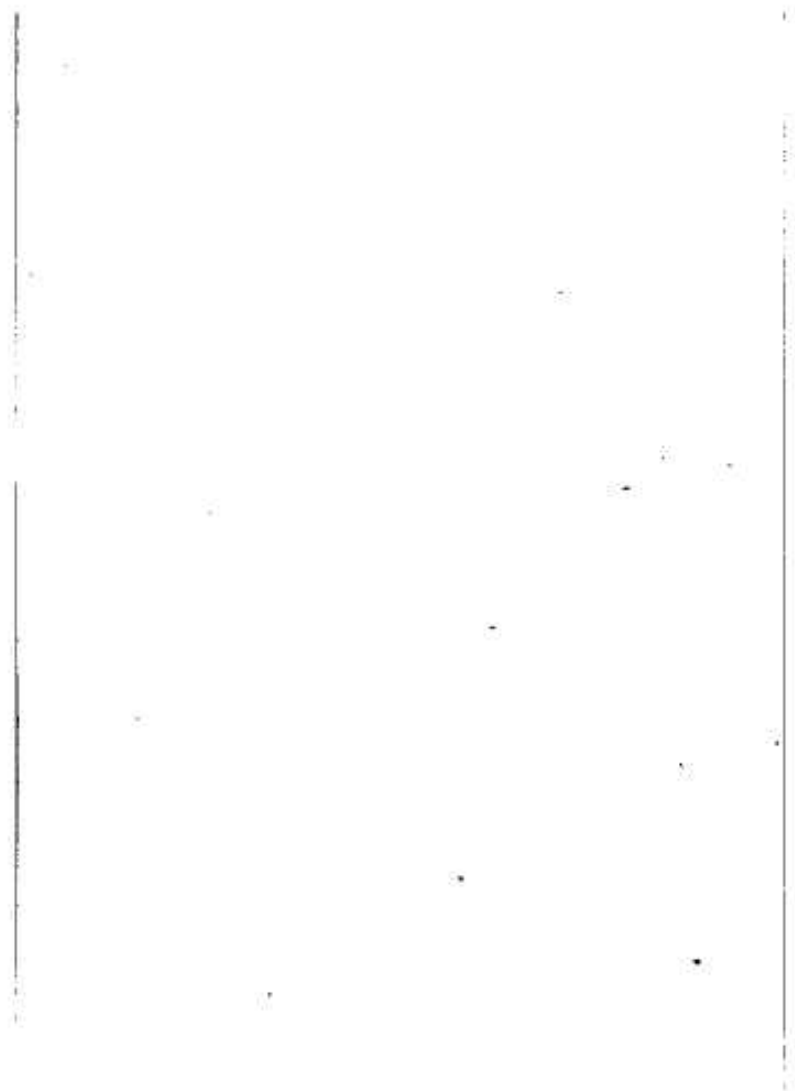
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Sarah Wigham, Carlisle.

“The kingdom of God is come unto you.”



INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

Though the records of this Obituary speak in a certain manner for themselves, even in the mere mention of name, age, and departure, as well as in the shorter or longer memorials of the dead,—yet it seems fitting to offer a few reflections as they rise, in presenting another *Annual Monitor* to our readers.

“*You are now the standing generation,*”—were the words of one of our departed Friends to those around him, on whom he saw the responsibilities of life resting. “*You are now the standing generation,*” we may repeat to the bulk of our readers. You are they by whom the character of the present day is fixed, and by whom, through your families, the tone of the coming generation and the future time may be largely influenced. The work of the present day must be done by you, if done at all:—and “the time is short.” Do we feel the *responsibility* rest-

ing on our short span of life?—on what we do in it? or what we leave undone? and what influences we leave behind us? We have reached the position, in which our fathers stood before us. They are gone, with the generation past. Every year takes off its portion in regular succession. The rising generation, full of ardour, coming rapidly to the front, have perhaps thought and said, that those who went before failed or fell short in the work of their day. It will be well if they profit by such a conviction. Nevertheless "let him who thinketh he standeth, take heed lest he fall." I Cor. x. 12. Let us be jealous of ourselves, lest avoiding as we think the shortcoming of our fathers, we also fall short in some other direction. They were too passive, too negative, as we judge from what is now around us: while we ignore or possibly do not even conceive the conditions of their time, nor estimate the unseen and untold work of their lives. Are we armed and furnished to do better in our day? Are we wearing in its completeness the true Christian armour? the girdle of truth and breastplate of righteousness? taking the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit?—able to *withstand* in the evil day? and having done all, to *stand*?—ready to endure hardness, as good soldiers of

Jesus Christ? willing to suffer with Him, as well as to shout Hosanna in the hour of His triumph?

Let us review the course of those who have been taken from us in the past year. How did they serve *their* generation in the stations assigned them? How did they testify of Christ? One labouring diligently and willingly in the Master's vineyard: one watchfully seeking out, and treading the narrow pathway that leadeth unto life: here, childhood dedicated as the morning sacrifice; there, youth as the opening rose blooming in the garden of the Lord. The poor are made rich in faith, and happy in the Lord's blessing; and the rich are made poor in spirit, and doubly rich in the true riches. One goes forth from his closet to Christ's service in the church, "whom his Lord hath made ruler over His household, to give them their meat in due season;"—another, to Christ's service in the world, doing good to all men, as well as to the household of faith. The mother among her children, and the mother in Israel, the father in his family and at the same time a father in the church, are witnesses for Christ. The wise counsellor, the man of secret or of open benevolence, the cheerful and sprightly temperament sweetened and stayed by grace, the trusting spirit faithful in its loneliness, the dili-