

we are saved—have liberty—supply—in a bright way—a straight way—no stumbling—God's eye watching and guiding—His ear open to our cry—His right hand holding—God at our right hand and left—God before us—God our reward—above us, His wings—under us, His everlasting arms—Angels encamped about—God as a wall of fire encircling, and as the everlasting Hills towering on every side—He Himself fighting for us, and we with a life hid with Christ in God, and thus "kept" (literally "kept as in a fortress"), patiently awaiting our "kept" and glorious inheritance. Well may we say, "Hallelujah, what a Saviour!"

Look Towards the Light.

A WEARY and discouraged woman, after struggling all day with contrary winds and tides, came to her home, and flinging herself into a chair, said:—"Everything looks dark, dark."

"Why don't you turn your face to the light, aunty dear?" said a little niece who was standing near.

The words were a message from on high, and the weary eyes were turned towards Him who is the Light and the Life of men, and in whose light alone we see light.

"Turn your face to the light," O weary watcher; you have looked, and longed, and struggled in the darkness without avail; now turn your glance the other way! "God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give unto us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ," and if we will look towards the light, and walk in the light, we shall find blessing and peace all along our way, and even amid darkness and shadows, shall rejoice in hope of the glory of God, the light of an unsetting day.

—H. L. Hastings.

THREE things are necessary for fellowship. (1) We must know our sins forgiven, the certainty which faith imparts that we are righteous before God. Doubt or fear will hinder fellowship. (2) There must be a new nature in which to enjoy God; the flesh cannot. It is by the life of Christ that we enjoy God. (3) The new nature must be prepared by the power of the Spirit of God, to enter into such communion.

David Nasmith,

THE FOUNDER OF CITY MISSIONS.

DAVID NASMITH was born in the city of Glasgow, March 21, 1799. He was converted in early youth, and was soon distinguished by his energy of character and great zeal for the salvation of souls. Soon after his conversion, he, with some school companions, formed the Glasgow Youth's Bible Association, and he became Secretary of the organization. About 1824 he became desirous of forming Young Men's Societies for religious improvement. To conceive with him was to execute, and we soon find him busily engaged in enlisting the labours of the first preachers of the age in their behalf. So indefatigable was he in his efforts that he travelled

throughout the United Kingdom, France and America, establishing in these places about 70 Young Men's Societies. But devoutly attached as he was to those societies, he had another great work pressing upon his heart, that of City Missions, and with these his name will go down to posterity. In 1826 (Jan. 1) he formed the Glasgow City Mission, the first one organized by him, and still in existence. Soon after the formation of the Glasgow Mission, Mr. Nasmith was led to visit Dublin, by the Rev. George Carlisle, who wished to consult him about spiritual work among the poor of that city. Here he succeeded, after a short effort, in forming the Dublin City Mission, after which he spent some months in visiting the larger cities of Ireland, organizing some form of Christian work among them. He

then proceeded to America, and in 1830 formed the New York City Mission. He spent over one year in the United States and Canada, during which time he organized over 16 City Missions (including one at Montreal), and a number of Young Men's Societies, as auxiliaries to the American Young Men's Society, organized Sept. 3, 1830. He returned to the old land late in 1831 or early in 1832.

Between that date and the year 1835 he spent his time visiting throughout Scotland and Ireland, with a visit to France in June, 1832. During that visit he formed the Paris City Mission, and before he left the city he saw the mission at work with three agents, and a subscription of between two and three thousand



David Nasmith.
May 20th 1831.

DAVID NASMITH,
With autograph from a letter written by him while in Canada.