

pay the five pounds you owe me ; for he has paid me every farthing he owed me, and all in less than two years.' On entering a house about a mile further, I was informed that the tract I had thrown, two years before, into a poor man's house, had made him another man. At length I arrived at the village. A woman looked very hard at me, and said, 'Are you not the man who sold me some tracts about two years ago?' I said I was. Then she said, 'You must go with me to the house where you threw the tract in, and I am quite sure the woman will not let you go to hell now.' As soon as I entered, the woman informed her I was the old man she so much wished to see. She cried out, 'What! that dear man who threw in the tract?' and, running, she took hold of my hand, and said, 'I humbly beg your pardon for what I said ; I was in a passion, and very vile and wicked.' She bade me sit down to dinner, and said her husband would be there in a few minutes. As soon as he came in, she told him who I was. He took me very kindly by the hand, and said, 'Blessed was that hour when you threw the tract into my house, and thrice blessed is that God who directed you to one so wicked. I was then poor and wretched ; I spent most of my time in the ale-house ; but now, thank God ! I have a house of my own, and it is my delight to talk of the goodness of that God which directed me to the reading of the tract.'"

## DIRECTIONS FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S DAY.

1. Order all your weekly business so wisely beforehand, that you may have no unnecessary work on God's day ; that your hands may be as free as possible from business, and your head from worldly cares and thoughts.
2. Think seriously : what a weighty work am I going about ! My week affairs are but toys and trifles to this. What are sheep and oxen, or shops and goods, to grace, Christ, and heaven ? Am I be too careful and serious in God's work ? in the work of salvation ? Surely no. How holy should my thoughts be, how heavenly my course, how earnest my endeavours all the day long !
3. Therefore prepare with all your might ; search your heart and life : find out
  - What your sins are, to confess, mourn over, and pray against.
  - What the mercies are you want for soul or body ; for your friends, family, and nation.
  - What blessings you have received, and what thanks should be returned.