

## LITTLE GREEN GRAVES.

BY DR. BLYTHE.

There's many a green and grassy grave  
In yonder burial ground,  
And many a child lies sleeping there  
Under the swelling mound.

And many a parent's heart has ached  
In anguish and despair,  
When, laid away in the silent grave,  
They left them mouldering there.

The heart and home were desolate  
When the prattler's voice was still,  
For, alas! no sound of merriment  
Comes out from yon green hill.

There willows wave their graceful boughs,  
And swing in the summer breeze,  
Flowers bloom in the grassy beds,  
And birdies sing in the trees.

The willow weeps, and the summer breeze  
Sighs in passing along;  
The flowers bloom with a hectic flush,  
The birds but murmur their song.

Then who can carol a cheerful note,  
As softly there they tread  
Among the grass that waves over the graves  
Of children early dead?

Ah, weary and sad it is to think  
How soon they past away,  
How the fair form and rosy cheek  
Mouldered again to clay.

And now how they sleep in their dreary beds,  
Nor heed the falling rain;  
Though thunder roll in the midnight sky,  
Ne'er shall they wake again.

List! I hear a whispering spirit say  
That angels watch their clay,  
And, when the night of the grave is gone  
They'll wake in endless day!

## SCARBORO CONGREGATION.

Scarboro, 5th Feby., 1861.

REV. J. BAIN,

DEAR PASTOR.—Considering the wear and tear incident to a mission tour, it has occurred to a number of young ladies in the Congregation, to present you with the accompanying plan and suit of clothes, which we beg you to accept. It is our earnest prayer that you may be long spared to minister to us, and that we may receive grace to profit by your valuable labours.

We are, dear Pastor,

Yours affectionately,

ISABELLA BELL

SUSAN GLENDENNING.

TO MISSES BELL &amp; GLENDENNING.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,—I thank you most cordially for this fresh token of your regard, and not the less that it comes in a shape that forcibly reminds me of the delicate and thoughtful perception which is known to belong to female character in its best type. I have already had experience of its practical value. Our or-fathers were wont to call such things marks of grace; and I am not sure but they were

right evidences of attachment to the Master and His cause, in which case they shall in no wise lose their reward. The time will soon come when our frail tabernacles will no longer need such covering. May we be all clothed in those white robes which will be beyond the reach both of soil and decay. I beg you to convey my warmest acknowledgements to all the considerate and kind ladies you represent. Accept personally my best wishes for your welfare, and believe me,

Yours ever faithfully,

JAMES BAIN.

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