

ON FIRST SETTLING IN A NEW COUNTRY.

Almighty God, who fixest the bounds of our habitation and blessest the homes of Thy people, be mercifully pleased to let Thy loving presence be with me in my new dwelling-place. Thou art the God who changest not; here and everywhere Thou art the same. Give me sure trust and confidence in Thee. May I here enjoy Thy blessing which is life, and Thy lovingkindness which is better than life.

Give me courage and cheerfulness, patience and hope. In every time of loneliness, and discouragement, and anxiety, may my trust be in Thee. Keep me from murmuring and unbelief and forgetfulness of Thee. May I set Thee, the Lord, always before my face. Though far removed from the restraints that may have been about me in my former home, yet may I be on my guard against everything that would dishonour or displease Thee. May I preserve a sense of God and religion in all places and companies. May I never be ashamed of Thee or of Thy service.

Prosper me in all my lawful undertakings; grant me all things that pertain to life and godliness; give me health of body and of soul. Help me to be contented and thankful in all circumstances. Sanctify to me both the successes and failures, the labours and the recreations, which are here to be my lot. May I not live for myself alone, but endeavour to do all the good I can, both bodily and spiritual, to my neighbours. Above all things, grant that I may seek first the Kingdom of God.

O Lord, bless and keep me. O Lord, lift up the light of Thy countenance upon me, and give me peace now and for evermore, through Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

Our Father, &c.

The grace of our Lord, &c.

THE END.