

1 TIMOTHY, iv. 8.

*Godliness is profitable unto all things.*

It is one among the numerous excellencies of Christianity that it meets man in every condition, and adapts itself with astonishing facility to his circumstances and his wants, whatever may be the diversity of the one or the extent of the other. It is scarcely, if at all, possible for the most lively imagination to picture a state or emergency in which a human being can be placed on earth, where some part or other of God's holy word can be of no advantage to him. There is no sorrow that it cannot alleviate, no enquiry which it cannot practically answer, no principle which it does not illustrate, no motive to seek God and holiness and heaven which it does not suggest, no direction in duty which it does not supply. *The Law of the Lord is perfect, making wise the simple ; his statutes are pure, rejoicing the heart ; his promises are certain, and his salvation is complete to every one*