



From the Christian Intelligencer.

HOPE.

BY THE LATE DIVIE BETHUNE.

I asked the charmer, HOPE, to stay,
And chase my how'ring fears away;
She faintly smil'd, and bade me show,
Where Hope could rest her foot below.

I look'd for strength to build her seat,
Uprightness to uphold her feet,
My mind display'd her utmost stores,
And nature marshall'd all her powers.

When these the heav'nly charmer eyed,
She ceas'd to smile, and quick replied,
"On creature powers Hope cannot rest,
Nor build on sin her airy nest.

"Astray from God, no heavenly guest
Can lodge in mortal sinner's breast;
They breathe a pure celestial air,
And love the Lord who plac'd them there."

Soon as I heard this dread reply,
I mourn'd for sin with weeping eye;
Hope turn'd from her suspended flight,
And thus her winning words invite.

"One home for me earth can supply;
There came the tenants of the sky
To look, admiring, on the tree
Where Jesus bled, to set man free.

"On that blest mount I love to dwell,
There Fear, and Sin, and Satan fell;
There I can spread my sportive wing,
While God's rich love to man I sing.

"There on the sinner I can smile,
No longer weak, no longer vile;
Cloth'd, as he is, by Jesus' grace,
In strength divine and righteousness."

I heard, I wonder'd, I ador'd—
I sought the mount—I saw the Lord;
Hope smiles on me since that blest hour,
And grace descends, a heavenly shower.

Hope spreads her wings, points to the sky,
Alluring all my thoughts on high;
She opens all the gates of Heaven,
And all her joys are richly given.

My spirit rises at the sight,
Longs for that world of heavenly light;
I see my God, and would remove,
To that eternal world of love.

THE SCOTTISH MOTHERS CONSOLATION.

During the time of the threatened invasion under Bonaparte, when the country was in continual alarm for the landing of the French, beacon fires, as they were then termed, were directed to be lighted up on the numerous points and heights that skirt the shore of our sea-girt isle. It so happened, one night, that an alarm was given of the landing of the common enemy in St. Andrew's Bay, and beacon fires instantly blazed around the "east neuk of Fife," and proceeded up the Frith of Forth, till they reached Elie point; the signal was then distinctly seen from Kirkaldy, and the various companies of volunteers in and around the "lang town" were summoned to arms by beat of drum. The moment was a trying one to many an anxious mother and timorous mother's son; and as young Jamie, the support of his widowed parent, was in the number of the defenders of his country's freedom, she naturally felt keenly for the safety of her only son, and provided him with a few restoratives to moisten his mouth, as she said, in case of a ball wound; and when the youth was fully accoutred, and ready to march, she turned to a neighbour, and, with a bursting heart, exclaimed, "There gangs my poor laddie to face the French; shoot him wha likes, they'll get a gude sark on his back."

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R. M. BARRATT.

Halifax, March 25th, 1840.

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Halifax, Nov. 27, 1839.

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R. M. BARRATT,

Halifax, Feb. 26,

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