

set of six volumes. This everyone is not able to do ; for although they are cheap, yet many who would be able to give a few pence for the desired information, could not well afford so many shillings. Hence one reason for a new volume.

Then again, the above series of "Lives" are to-day not generally known. Modern literature, now so much in demand, is pushed to the front, and as a natural consequence such reading as is contained in the series—for which we are sorry to say the majority of professing Christians have no relish—is "on the shelf." But since there is of late signs of an awakening and a turning to the "Old Paths," there is also a desire to obtain all the information and help possible from the "burning and shining lights."

The only desire in writing this book is to glorify Jesus in the stirring up of the hearts of His followers to seek for, and obtain a better acquaintance with God and divine things, a deeper sense of the utter sinfulness and helplessness of humanity, with the possibility of sinking deeper into that humility, and rising higher in those aspirations after the whole image of God which so characterized the life of the man before us.

Thomas Walsh's life (although while he lived, as Mr. Wesley says, turned more sinners from the error of their ways than any man he ever knew) was short, and seeing this was so, I desire that it should still