no more come into thee the uncircumcised, and the unclean": Isa. 52.

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee ": Isa. 60.

Young men and fathers, lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh. Rejoice that ye are not in darkness, lest that day should take you as a thief. Stand in Christ's stead, beseeching sinners to be reconciled unto God. Endure hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ. your light shine, so that men may take knowledge of you that you have been with Jesus. The conflict will soon be ended—the battle will soon be won! The trials and sorrows of the church militant will soon be exchanged for the blessedness and glory of the church triumphant! "The time of your departure is at hand," and then, in the bright prospect of this victory you will be privileged with the Apostle to exclaim, -"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing": 2 Tim. 4.