years of my "sore chastening upon my bed!"

Every moment of the time, when in the extreme of suffering, I found unfailing comfort in the presence and help of the Holy Spirit. When my helpless body was racked with exquisite suffering, His "everlasting arms" were indeed "underneath" and around me, and while held and kept in His strong, tender embrace, I did not doubt His love or wisdom in thus afflicting His child: but realized that this was His effectual plan of revealing Himself to me, of letting me see some of His ways with the children of men, and of causing me to see "wondrous things" out of "His law!" His Word, indeed, became precious to me, in these years of trial, and of His blessed and gracious promises, I must say here: They have been "true and righteous." "Not one thing hath failed" thereof! Josh. xxiii, 14. He thus took me away from other teachers that I might learn only of Him, and "Who teacheth like Him?" (Job xxxvi: 22).

Now I must not forget "all His benefits," but mention the two or three precious powers He left with me to use in His dear service:—I was able to read (nearly al-