

# SAVED BY A DOG,

## AND OTHER SKETCHES.

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The Disappointed Searcher.

THE sagacity of dogs is well known, and how often has that sagacity, sharpened and intensified, I believe, for the occasion by Divine power, been used to show forth our Father's loving care of us! There is one story told of a shepherd who inhabited one of those glens which intersect the Grampian Mountains of Scotland. In one of his excursions to look after his flock, he carried along with him a child of three years. This is not an unusual practice amongst the Highlanders, who

accustom their children from earliest infancy to endure the rigours of the climate. After traversing his pastures for some time attended by his dogs, the shepherd found himself under the necessity of ascending a summit at some distance, to have a more extensive view of his range. As the ascent was too fatiguing for the child, he left him on a small plain, with strict injunctions not to stir from it till his return. Scarcely, however, had he gained the height when the horizon was darkened by one of