

became nurse to Effie's children, and never in stern winter did she forget to save the crumbs for the birds. Go, dear reader, and do likewise.' "

"Not so bad or so gloomy, after all," said Lily, who had not fallen asleep, and daily night, after this, have been seen gathering up crumbs, and often cutting off a little from the loaf and spreading the same on the window-sill, much to her brother's amusement.

The reading about that widow was the making of Lily ; she seemed to awake out of her dream and forget herself in thinking of others. "Only our Crumbs." Ah ! how tiny the things which are God's Spirit can convert into marvellous use !

How also one bright loving spirit in this world of ours uses influences that spread !

Sometimes the most simple events lead to grand results.

It is just the same with evil, one sin often leading to utter ruin. But we prefer dwelling upon the bright side of human nature, and would urge all to trust in God under all the adverse circumstances of life ; and surely, if our bodies need bread to strengthen them, and God gives it to us daily, so will He much more give us His Holy Spirit if we ask Him, for our souls require large blessings ; and if we would bless others we must first be blessed ourselves.

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Miracles.



WHAT an age was the age of miracles ; and how much there was in that age to awaken the attention, to astonish the mind, to impress the heart, and confirm the faith of those who witnessed them in the Divine mission of those who wrought them. Every miracle had a voice, and it was the voice of God. It proclaimed to the world that those who wrought miracles had the presence of God, and were sent by God, and were divinely com-