

INTRODUCTION.

THE subject of these brief memorials was a man of rare spiritual gifts. The foundation of these lay in the depth and intense earnestness of his moral nature. This made him prominently a seeker after truth. In his search he never hesitated to break through the crust of old forms, which sometimes concealed as well as contained the truth, that he might bring to light the hidden kernel as a living possession of the present age. The same spirit gave all his studies a practical direction. His versatile mind was constantly devising some new agency by which truth might reach the hearts and lives of men, and especially the young. So pressing was this impulse to make all truth tell in saving men, that he had no time to construct a system or to harmonize his first grasp of some great truth