

## LIFE ASSURANCE.

day, to obtain her too scanty pittance,—the poor lady or gentleman, scarcely able to obtain a subsistence. The inmates, too, of our Orphan asylums, Magdalens, and other *charitable* institutions, workhouses, gaols, and penitentiaries, at one time destined to fill important places in society, could furnish heart-rending illustrations of their miseries, and of the improvidence of parents towards their offspring. Look, again, at the appeals to the charitable, daily renewed in the newspapers—widows, orphan daughters, and fatherless children of professional men left to the *tender* mercy of the world thus to solicit charity. Surely a remedy may be found in Life Assurance, that will soothe the widow's anguish, and gladden the orphans' heart in their bereavement. Cannot a single luxury or a temporary gratification be dispensed with, to enable you to make so beneficial an investment? Consider what will be the inheritance of those little ones in case your death should leave them unprovided for—sudden destitution, the breaking up of home, and descent into poverty! Can you coldly contemplate the possibility of the imposition of its iron hand in the bitter hour of bereavement? Can you reflect upon the bare chance of your wife having to earn a scanty portion of daily bread for your orphan children without an effort to avert so fearful a calamity? You *can* ward off these miseries, and secure them from dependence and want.

It is to be hoped that the immense importance of Life Assurance will be more seriously and earnestly considered,—practised by all those who can appreciate its merits and claims—and that, too, *without delay*. Let none neglect it while they can so easily discharge it. *Let the claims of home be considered before any other.*