

tions to the engineer he saw that the derrick, which was fifty feet in height, was about to fall. He instantly warned the workmen of their danger and was pointing them to positions of safety. During his busy life he had often been in the midst of danger but his quick perception never failed him, so that he always escaped unhurt; but on this occasion, in his anxiety for the safety of others he had not fully considered his own position, and as the derrick fell, the guy rope which extended a distance of over two hundred feet from the top of the derrick to a point away beyond and behind him, caught him and threw him forward with great force. In a moment eager hearts rushed to his rescue and loving hands were extended to raise him up, but only the lifeless form was there—the spirit had fled. It was a sad duty Mr. Laidlaw had to perform to carry the mournful tidings to the devoted wife and children whose happy circle the affectionate husband and father had left well and strong but a few hours before. But in their hour of bewildering grief that stricken household—bereaved indeed—were enabled to hear the Saviour's voice calling to them through the darkness, "It is I, be not afraid," and sweet consolation they found in His precious promises, often recalled to their memory by sympathizing friends, who bore