

and even from the West Indies, young girls have come that we might train them for their duties in life. But these wanderers were but few in number ; Upper and Lower Canada have furnished the great majority of our pupils. Of the two hundred and ninety-nine, twenty-six are married and six are dead. To six the school experience terminated the experience of life. Those who loved them were permitted only a glance at the budding beauty of the souls which opened their fair flowers in the pure atmosphere of Paradise. Sad retrospect ! telling of vacant places and disappointed hopes. Bright anticipation ! full of comfort, joy, and peace.

“ Far better they should sleep awhile,  
Within the Church's shade,  
Nor wake until new heaven, new earth,  
Meet for their new immortal birth  
For their abiding-place be made,

“ Than wander back to life, and lean  
On our frail love once more.  
’Tis sweet as year by year we lose  
Friends out of sight, in faith to muse  
How grows in Paradise our store.”

But early death is the exception, not the rule, in God's providence. Two hundred and ninety-three of my pupils have entered or are entering upon the duties of life ; and whether my mind reverts to my lost children, or goes forth to the young women called upon to exercise their talents