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THE BOOK OF LIFE.

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"Oh, mother!" exclaimed my little Jeannie, running to me in an ecstasy of delight; "see what a beautiful book father has given me. And only see, mother, my name is written in it, so everybody will know that it is mine, and nobody can rub it out!"

Like the lightning's flash came into my mind our Saviour's words: "Rejoice,

"It is a very pretty book, Jeannie; but I know of one more beautiful, in which I trust my darling's name will be written."

"Oh, mamma, what sort of a book is it? What is it called?"

"Our Saviour called it the Book of Life, and he said that we must rejoice over our names being written in it more than over anything in the world."

"Is everybody's name written in there, mamma?"

his waggon; you refused, saying that you were in a hurry. If you had given up your own pleasure and helped him—because Jesus says we must love and be kind to each other—you would have served Christ."

"O mamma, I didn't know such a little thing as that was serving Christ."

"Why, my daughter, have you forgotten what Jesus said of the cup of cold water given for his sake? Our lives are



JERUSALEM RESTORED BY NEHEMIAH.

because your names are written in heaven.

"Mother, do you know why father gave this book to me?"

"No, Jeannie; I have forgotten."

"Why, don't you recollect that I always said, 'Wait a minute,' when you told me to do anything? Well, father told me that if I wouldn't say it for one whole month he would give me something, but I didn't expect anything so beautiful as this."

"No, my darling; only the names of those who love Jesus, and try to serve him while they are on earth."

"How can I serve him, mamma? I don't know anything that I can do for him."

"Yes, my child, you can do something for him every moment in the day. Kind words, little things done because we love Christ—in all these we serve him. This morning Tommy asked you to help him tie

made up of the little things that happen every day, and what we do for Christ's sake is put down in his Book of Remembrance. You overcame a bad habit for the reward of this pretty book. Remember that Jesus promises all the glorious things of heaven to every one that overcomes temptation and sin, and serves him truly."

The Lord loveth a cheerful giver.