

love for the Saviour. Jesus was her friend as well as her redeemer, and all the ardent affections of her full soul went out joyfully to Him. In her correspondence, as well as her conversation, His name was seldom long omitted. "Out of the abundance of the heart he mouth speaketh" The Sabbath was to her "a delight." She "rejoiced and was glad" in it. Will not heaven seem very home-like to such a spirit? Who would recall her to this lower world?

There is but little that can be added concerning the closing scenes. As you are well aware, her last illness was very short, and during the latter part of it she was unconscious, so that the dying testimonies it would have been so delightful to receive, and which would doubtless have borne to the sustaining power of the Saviour's grace, are wanting. But they could have added nothing to the complete assurance of her safety and blessedness in Christ. She had a stormy passage across the river, but that is over now, and she has entered the everlasting rest. She is spending to-day *her first Sabbath in heaven.*

Gleanings.

HOW LONG.

"How long does it take to be converted?" said a young man to his father.

"How long," asked his father, "does it take the judge to discharge the prisoner when the jury have brought him in 'Not guilty?'"

"Only a minute."

"When a sinner is convinced that he is a sinner, and is sorry for it; when he desires forgiveness and deliverance from sin, and believes that Christ is able and willing to save him, he can be converted as speedily as the prisoner can be discharged by the judge. It does not take God a long time to discharge a penitent soul from the condemnation and power of sin."

Extravagance in dress on the part of professing Christians is undoubtedly in many cases a stumbling-block to those of more limited means, who are unwilling to be seen at Church unless they can dress about as well as their neighbours. And this fastidiousness in regard to appearance is not confined to any one class. How many who read these lines can remember when they, or some member of their family, have staid away from the house of God for want of something "suitable to wear! A lady correspondent comments thus:

"It is in a great measure our fault that so few hear the loving message of the Lord. The extravagant, foolish, wicked way in which we dress for Church involves a serious responsibility. Hear what St. Paul saith: "I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting. In like manner, also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array, but (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works." Alas, my sisters! may you never know the number of those weak ones who, led by your example, strain every nerve to make a decent appearance at church. May you never know the far greater number of those sad and sorrowful ones on whom your gold, and pearls, and costly array, has shut the church door, and turned the key, and locked them out, perhaps forever!"

Strive to make everybody happy, and you will make at least one so—yourself.