

"I am sure that cannot be your case, sir," interposed Edmund, with an affectionate smile. "You have always been busy and useful ever since I can remember."

"You remember but a very small portion of my three-score years and ten, my boy, and I will not now detail the many events which sadden my memory, and induce the heartfelt prayer that you may be taught so to number your days, that each shall add lessons of wisdom and works of acceptance in the sight of our holy Judge; not that by any works of righteousness we can merit His favor, but that we may thus prove how much we love Him who first loved us and gave Himself for us."

Mr. M—— paused, but the boys perceived he had more to say, and their attention being more fully roused, they begged him to proceed.

"We have spoken of your profession for this life, my dear grandsons, but your decision for eternity is of infinitely greater importance."

"Of course," said Owen, "I should not think of neglecting public worship, omitting to read the Bible, and

when I am a little older and settled in life, I shall think what more I can do."

"Would not wisdom suggest that you should first seek the salvation of your soul, Owen. Life is frail, and many a healthy youth has been cut off suddenly by accident or disease, just as the most promising prospects were opening before him. Others have been arrested by the veiling of the mental faculties; insanity has abridged the day of grace; but when once you have planted your foot firmly on the Rock of Ages, and have been admitted into the Church of the living God, it is highly necessary, that you should become transformed into a living epistle of his Spirit, that may be known and read of all men. In these days of latitudinarian theories, and multifarious 'phases of faith,' young people should be well grounded in the 'sound doctrines,' so strangely insisted upon by the Apostle Paul. Cling first then to the Word of Truth, which is able to guard you in that 'path which shineth more and more unto the perfect day.'"—*British Mothers' Journal.*

Reviews.

NEW BRUNSWICK, NOVA SCOTIA, AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—BY ALEXANDER MONRO.

The following flattering review of this work is from the *European Times*: "The object of Mr. Monro in this elaborate work is to convey to the world on both sides of the Atlantic a knowledge of the resources of the Lower Provinces of British North America. These minor dependencies of the British crown, however vast, was in extent, fertile in resources, and hopeful in their future, are in danger of being overshadowed by their more powerful neighbors, the Canadas. In fact "British America" and "Canada" are, in our common estimation, almost convertible terms. When either is sounded in our ears our thoughts unconsciously travel to the banks of the

St. Lawrence; forgetting that even Canada, large as it is in comparison with Great Britain, is itself a mere section of the vast domain that "calls us lord" on the Western Continent.— Few, we believe, are aware of the fact stated by Mr. Monro, "that British America includes a larger area than that under the government of the United States!" According to Judge Haliburton British North America is a country about one quarter larger than all Europe, and Canada alone is as large as England, France, and Prussia put together.

Leaving, therefore, the larger provinces, which have already afforded employment to so many pens, Mr.