at the door, and shall carry thee out. "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh."

And you, too, my impenitent friend, are drawing nigh to death and the judgment,—alas! without preparation. The prospect of leaving this world fills you with fear; you shrink from plunging into an untried eternity. But you have seen that the same prospect which excites your intense alarm, and fills you perhaps with horror, filled our departed brother with delight. His heart danced with joy when he was told that a few hours would terminate his life.

Oh! adopt the principles which he adopted, love the Saviour whom he loved, and you, too, may be able to look upon death without a single fear. It was the grace and love of Christ which lifted him above the dread of death, and put a song of praise into his mouth. "Oh! taste and see that the Lord is good and gracious. Blessed is the man that trusteth in Him."

It was a Saviour's faithful and unchanging love which enabled him to strike out into the ocean of eternity without alarm.