

"THROUGH FAITH."

A GOOD many years ago, in Turk's Island, W. I., a young girl, twelve and a half years of age, (whose father was a Baptist minister), on New Year's day, after dinner was over, resolved to go and meet the Lord in the woods, and to ask Him for a change of heart, that she "might walk with Him from that day all the days of her life." This desire was good, and the resolution fair; and these were, no doubt, accompanied by a certain amount of momentary happiness; but one who knows something of what the human heart is, knows what disappointments must necessarily follow such resolutions. The heart is corrupt and deceitful, and will disappoint the fairest resolves. And besides, there is the question of sin and guilt which must be settled according to the demands of God's righteous and holy nature, or else both we and our resolutions, however fair, must perish forever.

For a time, this girl went on in a quiet sort of a way, trying to do her duty, becoming a teacher in the Baptist Sunday school at seventeen, and at eighteen being baptized into the place of membership in the same church. So far, all went fairly well, as far as outward appearances were concerned.

About the age of twenty, she began to enter upon a new experience. She then became married to a young man who was unconverted; and this