

himself without a church, but He said that in the days of its present minister—I refer to the time that this prediction was written—the work would not be revived. But to return to my going out of the church : I never met the man nor the Christian that could so offend me as to make me take my departure from this Zion ; but who was I to disobey ? my kind and loving Father's voice, for if I were in the fold and wanted to keep there I must obey the voice of the Good Sheppard, or no more leadings for me ; if I disobeyed once I could not be guided any longer. Jesus says, " If ye love me keep my commandments."

Death of My Sister.

Sister Ann Richardson was killed on the 1st of June, 1879, on her way to the house of God, the church militant, to bear testimony for Christ in the class-room, as she had been wont to do for over thirty-six years, since God pardoned her sins, under the ministry of dear old Father Hails, as he was generally called, and known in the late Methodist New Connexion church ; but he has long since gone to his reward, and many of his children too ; others are on the way, some preaching the unsearchable riches of the glorious Gospel of the Great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ. I believe the class-meeting to her earnest soul was ever a Bethel. Oft her language was : "I have been there, and still would go, 'tis like a little heaven below. So much did she prize this blessed means of grace—the glory of the Methodist Church—that she would not consent to give her hand to the man that she loved and esteemed above all others on earth, without his promise that he would always accompany her to the class-meeting, her favored means, for she well knew the power of that blessed means to draw and win to Christ. He was a man of sterling principles, and was brought up under the influence of godly parents, for his father was a class-leader, and though he was unsaved himself, his promise was kept. He told me afterwards it was the hardest thing he ever did ; but her punctuality, perseverance, and cheerful spirit, held him to it.