

to renounce the error of his ways. His sacred office became a source of satisfaction and comfort; while his fine voice and impressive delivery never failed drawing a numerous congregation to the church where he officiated. Many of his former gay associates, who at first attended to criticise, returned deeply affected by his persuasive and nervous eloquence. Convinced of the great moral improvement in his godson's character, Mr. Irvin no longer withheld his daughter from him; and Francis, as he led the blushing Anne from the altar, declared at that moment, he no longer regretted the wealth he had lost, but considered himself the happiest and richest of men; that he had proved that virtue was not merely confined to theory; but having joined practice to precept, he found "her ways were ways of pleasantness, and all her paths were peace."

THE END.