

the faithful band of workers left us, on their way to the Conference, we felt that we had been strengthened for our work, and that we could join in singing :

“ If our fellowship below,
 In Jesus be so sweet,
 What heights of rapture shall we know
 When round His throne we meet.”

In the “ Home ” this quarter has not been as full of incident as some. The work has been quiet and satisfactory, and as we see the steady improvement in the habits of the girls, we feel that surely the hand of God has been leading us.

But, while having much to encourage us, we have not been without our sad moments. May 25th, we were again called to lay aside another of our girls in death, Mary Newton. Mary had not been strong since entering the Home, two years ago; had always been troubled with cough; the winter was hard on her, as she took cold so easily. The doctor thought that as spring came on she would regain her strength. She had not been confined to her bed; always took her place in the schoolroom, but was not asked to do anything more. For three weeks we had kept her from evening service, and we saw no serious change in her till the day before she died; this was her first day in bed, and even then she desired to go down stairs. We felt quite unprepared for the change. We were forcibly reminded that “ in the midst of life we are in death.”

June 1st, we parted with the little girl whose eyes had been affected for some time. The doctor had been trying to restore her sight, but in vain. She could neither see to work nor study, and there seemed but little hope of recovering her sight. Her mother thought it would be best to take her home with her, and, if possible, take her to some oculist.

On Tuesday of last week, Miriam Blake, our eldest girl, went home to prepare for her marriage. We are sorry to lose Miriam, still hope that she will be able to do much good among her own people, as she was a good, earnest Christian. She was very helpful in the Home, and very contented and happy. *That she may be kept pure and good,*