

Church. The Shorter Catechism, probably the fullest and most comprehensive summary of Christian doctrine to be found in any language, has been taught for many generations in every school, and in almost every home in which the Bible, from which it borrows all its authority, is read. You know in how many homes of high and of humble people, this Catechism was repeated in whole or in part every Sabbath evening and by all the members of the family, above the age of childhood ; and all can understand how much the familiar use of such a summary of Christian doctrine must have done to give to the piety of Scottish people, the stamp of intelligence which it unquestionably bears.

This, indeed, is not everything. We may have knowledge without faith ; a well-informed mind with a coarse heart, and a worldly or wicked life ; religious notions made a substitute for love to God and love