

night, it was signified to her, that Ann, (formerly our nurse when poor Julia was born) was going to sit up with her, at which intelligence her countenance brightened, she seemed quite pleased, and on her arrival, held out her hand and thanked her. During the night, her sufferings increased and were most acute. She requested her mother not to leave her during the short time she had to stay, desiring Ann, who had first dressed her for the world, should alone perform that kind office for her on quitting it; begging she might be dressed in her usual night dress. Towards Wednesday morning, difficulty of respiration, and fear of suffocating, induced her to request, that I would move her from place to place, which, as it appeared to divert or assuage her pain, I did. About ten minutes before breathing her last, she asked her mother, if she might have the cradle brought down, which when arrived, she said, "Papa, please put me into the cradle." On laying her gently down, she thanked me, adding, "I am better, Mamma, don't cry after I am gone, but I am about leaving you for ever; God is going to take me, and I shall be happy." Her mother, from the child's earnest manner, believing she was no longer an earthly inhabitant, cried out, "My dear Julia! I believe your spirit is already in heaven! my little angel!" The child not replying, her sister Harriet said, "Mamma, she does not know you," on which she audibly said, "I do." The next instant, she faintly articulated the words "*going, gone, go—Mamma.*"—her eyes brightening and opening to the full extent, but not a tremor or motion by which to denote that her spirit was fled!—the pulse and respiration suspended,—the countenance, before depressed with grief, resumed a most benignant placidity, wearing a smile of serenity which endured without change till carried to her grave.

Thus, my dear S., closed the mortal career of this matchless girl, who, I am sure you will think with me, has entered into an heavenly inheritance; and her parents and friends, when worldly selfishness shall cease, will see abundant cause to bless God, to adore his Providence, and pray for a perfect resignation to his will.

As a minister of our church, I shall make no apology for troubling you with this narrative, but with all our assurances of esteem and regard, subscribe myself,

My dear S——,

Ever faithfully and affectionately yours,

T. E.