

happy thing it was we were there ! That was the longest speech I have heard Mr. Rose make—but, oh, didn't it seem short ?"

"Not to me," growled the spinster ; "but, I suppose that both yourself and Mr. McFarlane could with pleasure have listened to him all night."

"Indeed we could," replied Ronald.

"Of course you endorse every word—that about missions with the rest."

"There may be differences of opinion in that respect," answered the Professor. "You must remember, madam, that Canada is a young country and not wealthy like Old England. Whether our resources could not be applied with great advantage among our own heathen, is a subject that requires careful consideration."

"Never think that Mr. Rose is against missions, Aunt Fanny," said Mrs Somerville warmly. "I was near the front, for a while, to-night, you know ; and was so fortunate as to hear him read to some one who sat just before me, hymn No 18 in "Sacred Songs and Solos," commencing at the second verse,—