

## PREFACE.

For this little work, revised and enlarged, now presented a second time to the public, I ask its indulgent criticism, that its many faults may be overlooked in consideration of the object for which it has been written.

I have found that so many of the books forming S. S. libraries are as dead letters, such as memoirs, etc., etc., the children will not read them; they are either too dry, or they do not interest them sufficiently to arrest the attention on the several virtues intended to be inculcated.

The following events having been enacted under my own immediate observation, may, perhaps, by their truth, obviate in a measure this difficulty. My aim is to point out the good or evil which can be done by example—the many privileges enjoyed and the danger incurred by throwing such advantages away.

I trust there is not a sentence to be found which could lead one little one astray, or one precept inculcated which could sullay the purest mind. To the indulgence of the Clergy and Superintendents of Sabbath Schools I humbly submit this little volume, praying that God may bless my poor efforts to bring the consideration of His holy Commandments before the young, so that they may see what danger they place themselves in by lightly regarding the precepts contained in them.

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