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## MRS. MARY H. ADAMS.

BY HER HUSBAND.

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Pavor is deceivful, and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.—PROVERES.

She hath done what she could .- JESUS.

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#### TO MY CHILDREN

WOULD I APPECTIONATELY

Dedicate this Bumble Cribute

TO THE MEMORY OF

THEIR SAINTED MOTHER.

#### PREFACE.



STRIKING and extraordinary incidents, much as they may give interest to a memoir, are not the surest evidences of its usefulness. The histories of travellers, adventurers, discoverers, warriors, popular scholars, artists, or statesmen—of those whose lives have been most constantly in the public eye—are usually welcome to all. But there are other histories, equally useful in their places, and which may minister good to the attentive readers of them; we mean those of the unobtrusive and faithful, who, away from the glare of the world, have been leading "quiet and peaceable lives," working in humblest ways for human good, strengthened in heart and soulby living faith in Him "who seeth in secret," and giving themselves, in word and action and example, as contributions to that power which shall yet effect the world's spiritual regeneration.

Such a history is the brief memoir before us. It is a book, not for the reader seeking novelty or excitement, but for the one who would take a calm view of that interior life among mortals, which manifests itself amid rounds of duties in the family and home, in ministries of kindness wherever Christian duty calls beyond this sphere, and who would also enjoy the blessing of a "still hour's" communion with a spirit who, while it dwelt on earth, could have its conversation in heaven.

J. G. A.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., 1805.

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