

## APPENDIX.

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Additional Extracts from the Diary of the Reverend O. Heywood, intended not only to supply further Evidence that he was indefatigable in his Labours, but also to illustrate an Observation made at page 190 in this Volume.

1666.

May 16th.—In the morning, by sun-rising, I left my own house and went to Allerton to see my friends there; then visited Mr. Bentley, at Bingley, whose condition is worse than mine; for he is in the same house with persons with whom he cannot comfortably serve God, nor hath he the free exercise of his religion, which makes him desire and wish for some house of his own. Thence I went to Menstone, and was all night with Colonel Charles Fairfax, where I was very kindly entertained; thence I went on Friday to Bramhope, and spent the sabbath very agreeably with Mr. Dinely, and to old Mr. Rawden's, of Rawden, at night, where I had a large auditory; there I stayed all night, and met with very much refreshment. The day after, being Monday, May 20th, I went to Bramley, and was all night with Elias Hinchball, where speedily there was got together a great number from Leeds and other parts, and I preached to them till almost midnight, when the Lord in mercy assisted. May 24th, Thursday, I went to Wakefield, where, in the afternoon, I preached at my lodging, which was the house of Mrs. Elizabeth Riddlesden: on Saturday, we kept a fast at Mr. Kerby's house, there the Lord graciously helped me in preaching and prayer; on the same day, I rode to Penistone, where I spent the Lord's day, May 27th, in public\* without disturbance; there was a numerous congregation from all parts, and I had great liberty in preaching and prayer, but not such meltings of heart as sometimes I have felt, nor can I be so affected with the state of souls, nor do that good which my

\* Not in a private house, but in a Chapel or consecrated place of worship.

heart desires. On Monday, I came from Penistone to Alverthorp, near Wakefield, and preached about six o'clock at the house of one Thomas Holdsworth, and stayed all night with my sons (who were come to meet me) at the house of John Kirks: on Thursday, I brought my sons within two miles of my own house, and then turned to visit my good friend Mr. Thorp, at Hopton-Hall, from whence we went to visit friends on the Wednesday, and on the Thursday I preached to a few there, and then proceeded to Robert Binns's house, to visit my friends about Slaithwaite, where I am wont to have exercises every year; but now they are fallen and all things changed.

June 4th, Monday night, I went to visit my good friend, James Sagar, (a very worthy aged Christian,) who being sick, had sent for me; I found him very weak, prayed with him that night, and in the morning, and through mercy he was much better when I left him; on the approach of night I came homewards, visited Mr. Nesse and several others in my return, and came home.

June 16th.—Saturday night, on earnest solicitation, I went to Bramley in the night, about seven miles, God mercifully preserved me; I preached three times on the Lord's day, and was much refreshed; the hearts of the people were much affected. I hope some good was done. Having visited friends by the way, on Monday night, June 18, I returned home with safety.

Dec. 3.—I went to Mr. John Sharp's of Little Horton, where Mr. Sharp, having appointed a meeting with an intention to preach, they put me upon that work in his room; on Tuesday night I preached at Mr. Rawden's at Rawden; on Wednesday night at Joseph Kitchin's house at Farsley, where I had a good auditory; on the Thursday night at Leeds, and on the Friday travelled to Wakefield. At night I lodged with Mr. Clayton of Okenshaw; on the Saturday, (according to promise) I went to Sir Edward Rhodes's house at Houghton, and spent the Sabbath there with much comfort; on the Monday went to York, and stayed there till Tuesday, visited friends, and went to Mr. Vincent's house at the Grange; on Thursday I went to Swath-hall and lodged there that night: on Friday visited friends and lodged at Nathaniel Bottomley's, where I preached—the Lord graciously assisting; on Saturday I went to Penistone, and preached there on the Lord's day—it was a precious day to my soul.

1667.

Jan. 31, which was Thursday.—I began to take another

journey, (according to promise) and that night Mr. Sharp and I united in preaching to a considerable number at William Hodgson's in Bowling, near Bradford; on Friday I visited friends, and lodged at Mr. Sales's at Pudsey; on Saturday went to Bramley, where I preached three times on the Lord's day, and enjoyed a sweet distinguishing ordinance; on Monday night I preached at S. Ellison's, near Bramley; on Tuesday I went to Leeds, visited some friends, baptized some children, but could not preach that night on account of extremely acute head-ache, but being better on Wednesday morning I preached; then visited W. Whitley who was very sick, with whom I had interesting discourse, and that day travelled to Bramhope, where first I prayed with Mr. W. Dinely who was near to death of a consumption; afterwards I preached to the family and some others that came to hear me, and preached again in the morning; at night came to Mr. Rawden's of Rawden, where I preached; on Friday, being Feb. 8. I called on my good friend Mr. Waterhouse, supped with him, and in the evening returned in safety to my own house, and found all well: blessed be God.

April 29th, Leaving home, I went towards Lancashire, and lodged at Matthew Hollis's house at Rochdale, where I preached; on the Tuesday, to Manchester, and lodged at Mr. Hutton's. That night it is their foolish custom after twelve o'clock to rise and ramble abroad, make garlands, strew flowers, &c. which they call *Bringing in May*; I could sleep little that night, by reason of the tumult; the day after being May the 1st, I went to Denton.

Aug. 23rd, Friday.—I went from home with my wife, and that day preached at William Hodgson's, in Bowling, to a considerable auditory, and lodged at night with Mr. Sharp, at Little Horton. On Saturday, I preached at Joseph Kitchen's, Farsley, and that night rode to Bramhope, where I spent the Lord's day following, and had a large assembly in Mr. Dinely's hall; there God made me of some use in that family. On Monday, I went to William Thompson's at Headingley, and there preached at night; the day after to Leeds, and preached at even in Samuel Boys' house, and lodged at Mr. Spencer's, in Meadow Lane. On Wednesday morning, I preached at Mr. Spencer's new house in Hunslet Lane, where I had a great assembly, and God graciously appeared, affording abundant assistance and protection. I dined with Joseph Jackson, and afterwards walked into the town to visit friends; that night I went to Bramley, and in the night preached at Ellis Bury's house; the day after I visited friends in Bramley, Pudsey, and Farsley, and came at night to Rawden, and

preached there that evening according to appointment in old Mr. Rawden's house; the day after, I visited Mr. Waterhouse in my return home which I reached, August 30th, having been just a week abroad, and having preached nine times in those seven days. Blessed be God for work, help and hopes of a reward in due time. Sept. 5th.—Thursday, I went to Bingley, I visited some as I went, and lodged at Marley-hall, where I preached that night; the first meeting in private, I suppose they have had in that parish; the Lord graciously assisted and brought together a considerable number, who were much affected. Who knows but some good may be done? The day after, I visited my good friend Mr. Bentley, who lives in that parish, or rather is buried there, being much out of the road and out of public employment; I dined with him, and came afterwards to visit Mr. Furnace at Ovenden, and so home that night.

Nov. 26th.—Two eminent servants of God are dead, Mr. Haworth, minister formerly at Hunslet, buried there yesterday, and Mr. Smallwood,\* formerly minister of Batley, buried this day—the former died at Alverthorp-hall, on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 23; the latter, aged sixty, at Flanshaw, Nov. 24th, being the Lord's day in the afternoon, not a quarter of a mile distance, and not a day between their deaths. The Lord sanctify these awful breaches and presages of wrath.

1668.

Feb. 8th.—According to a call and promise, my wife and I rode to Idle, in Calverley parish, where (the place being vacant) I preached the day after, being the Lord's day, and had a very numerous congregation—the Lord graciously assisted and preserved me in safety; on Monday I went to Rawden and preached there that night; on the Tuesday to Bradford, visited Mr. Brooksbank, and lodged with Mr. Waterhouse; the day after called at Mr. Sharp's, where was appointed a meeting that day, but it was put off by business, we then came home that night, and found all well, blessed be God. On Friday, Feb. 14th,—I went again to Little Horton, and Mr. Waterhouse, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Sharp, and I kept the day upon a solemn occasion, and oh how my heart was enlarged in the duty!

Feb. 23th.—Being Saturday, I went to Penistone, where I

\* Mr. Smallwood was born in Cheshire. He was some time chaplain to Lord Fairfax, and afterwards to Lambert in the army. He was turned out of Batley, a sequestered living, in 1660, and preached in Idle chapel till 1662. He was a man of a noble, valiant, active spirit. His great delight and excellency lay in preaching for the conviction and awakening of sinners, in which God wonderfully prospered him. He was a moderate Congregationalist, ready to act in concert with his brethren.—*Noncon. Mem. vol. iii. page 436.*



preached next day, but through indisposition of body, I was something dull, though treating upon the subject of lukewarmness, yet God helped in prayer; at night I went to Cawthorne, and lodged with William Roebuck. On Monday, I travelled to visit old Mr. Spawford, at Mr. Cotton's house, and that day came to Wakefield, preached in the evening at Mrs. Kerby's, and lodged at Christopher Wilson's. On Tuesday I went to Leeds, visited my Lady Hoyle in the way, lodged and preached at Robert Hickson's; on Wednesday, visited one Stephen Blagbrough, who was sick and sore afflicted in conscience, and that night I returned home.

May 31th.—Lord's day, I preached in my house, and had a large auditory; on Tuesday Mr. Sales, Mr. Hawden, Mr. Dawson, and I, kept a private fast with and for Elizabeth Sagar, at Allerton, who is under desertion, temptation, and sorely pressed with melancholy, God in mercy assisted; on Wednesday, I preached my lecture at home; it was a good day. On Friday, June 5th,—we were five ministers and several Christians engaged in exercises of solemn thankfulness for Mr. Sharp's recovery at Little Horton. O how my heart was melted in that duty! blessed be my good God.

July 12th.—Lord's day, I preached at home, and the next after that, and had great multitudes to hear me. The week following, on Monday night, my dear brother Nathaniel came to visit us, having preached in public at Bramley, on the Lord's day; he preached with us on Tuesday, and on Wednesday I brought him homewards.

Aug. 30th.—Being the Sabbath, I preached all day at Idle chapel, whither God brought a mighty congregation, affections were moved, and it may be, some good is done, blessed be God for that day; I went from home in the morning, and came home at night.

1669.

Aug. 1st.—Sabbath day, I went to Idle, and preached, where God graciously helped; there was a fair field in which to reap, and a great assembly, with some excitement of feeling; who knows what the effect may prove?

1670.

Jan. 8th.—I went to Honley, and next day being the Sabbath, preached there, went to Hulme at night and preached at Mr. Earnshaw's on the Monday, and on Tuesday came home, found all well; blessed be God.

1679.

October 2nd.—I rode to Stubbings, and preached at S. Hopkinson's; God wonderfully melted my heart in prayer, and assisted me in preaching from these words: "Let us consider one another, to provoke unto love and to good works."

3rd.—We had our solemn day of humiliation at my house. God was pleased to assist me wonderfully in praying and preaching; it was a precious season.

4th.—Was assisted in study, though much interrupted. My wife and I resolved to spend some time in prayer together—distracted by company.

5th.—God wonderfully enlarged my heart in prayer, preaching, and administering the Lord's supper. Blessed be his holy name.

6th.—Visited the family of J. Baxter, and was comforted in prayer. Studied the rest of the day.

7th.—My wife and I rode to Mr. Sharp's at Little Horton, where we kept a day of thanksgiving for family deliverances. It was a good season, though my heart was not so much affected as I have experienced on the like occasion. Lord, shew me the cause.

8th.—My son Eliezer and I rode to Mr. Cotton's, at Denby, where God mercifully assisted us in the acts of worship, in which we were both engaged.

9th.—Mr. Hancock and I preached at Mr. Cotton's. He on these words, "Giving thanks to the Father, who hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light;" and I on the following: "But this I say, brethren, that the time is short." God graciously comforted my heart in the work of the day.

10th.—Visited some other friends; set out after dinner, called on Mr. Thorp, rode home, and was mercifully delivered from the dangers of the waters by the way. Blessed be God.

12th.—Was graciously assisted in all the public services of the day, and filled with comfort. Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.

13th.—Attended the funeral of Robert Ramsden, of Halifax, called on Dr. Hook, and visited other friends.

14th.—Rode to Dam-head, where God wonderfully melted my heart in prayer, and in preaching to a full assembly from these words: "Now, therefore, thus saith the Lord of hosts, Consider your ways." The Lord gave hopes of good, by stirring up the affections of those who were present.

15th.—Was mercifully assisted in making preparations for

the work of the ensuing day. My heart was quickened in offering praise and thanksgivings to God for his unnumbered mercies.

16th.—We had a day of thanksgiving for public and family mercies. Mr. Dawson was employed in offering up our praises to the Lord; after which I was engaged in the same delightful work, and in preaching.

17th.—We had a solemn day of fasting and prayer at J. Kershaw's. O what a heart-melting season was this to us! I hope God will hear and answer prayer.

18th.—In study and prayer was much enlarged: it was a good day. Glory be to the name of my merciful Father.

19th.—We had a numerous assembly. I would be thankful for some measure of comfort, though I did not experience such meltings in prayer as at some times.

20th.—I travelled to Great Gomersal, kept a solemn fast with Mr. Dawson, Mr. Holdsworth,\* and many more. The Lord sweetly melted my heart in prayer and preaching.

21st.—Took a journey towards Craven, visited J. Forster's family, and preached at Thos. Leech's to a considerable company. In the evening, the Lord assisted Thomas Leech, M. Broadley, and myself in praying for the nation.

22nd.—Preached at J. Key's to a full assembly. The Lord wonderfully blessed us in prayer; many tears were shed, and the people were so much affected that at some times my voice was scarcely heard. I have seldom known the like before! Surely it is a favourable token.

24th.—Came with some friends to J. Baldwin's, where some time was spent in useful discourse. Returning home at night, I saw great reason to bless God for this sweet journey.

25th.—Endeavoured to study, but my heart was cold, dead, and distracted. The Lord pardon me.

26th.—This was a day of mercy. The Lord helped me in praying and preaching amongst a multitude of people. My text was, "He also shall be my salvation."

27th.—We kept a solemn fast at Alice Holt's. O what a day was this! What meltings of heart and shedding of tears before the Lord! Mr. Dawson, Mr. Priestley, Mr. Bradshaw, and myself were employed in prayer. Blessed be my God for such seasons as these!

\* He was chaplain to Sir Rich. Houghton, of Houghton Tower, in Lancashire, after his ejection from the University of Cambridge. In 1672, he preached publicly at Heckmondwike, in Yorkshire, and continued to labour there till his death in 1685, when not quite fifty years of age. His memory is still revered as a useful minister of Christ.

29th.—We had a solemn fast at Mr. Dawson's on account of the nation. My heart was sweetly enlarged.

30th.—Preached at Sowerby on Heb. x. 24. Alas! I see many defects in what I do, and great cause for humiliation; yet the Lord stands by me to help me in time of need.

31st.—Was much refreshed in closet prayer, but afterwards lost much time in seeking some sermons which I could not find. The Lord pardon me. Afterwards visited J. Langley, discoursed, and prayed with him.

November 1st.—The Lord graciously led my thoughts to a text, after I had been much agitated about the choice of one. My heart was then quieted, and I was helped in studying.

2nd.—Preached on these words, "Thy will be done." I was much helped and comforted.

4th.—Studied in the morning, and in the afternoon Mr. Dawson and I rode to Morley, and lodged at Mr. John Brooksbank's. We had the next day a double lecture at the meeting-house, Morley, where there was a large assembly. Mr. Dawson's text was, "There is none like the God of Jeshurun;" mine, "Let us consider one another, to provoke unto love and good works." For assistance afforded to us both, we have great reason to be thankful.

6th.—We had a meeting preparatory to the ordinance of the Lord's supper at Morley; after which I went to Leeds, lodged at Mr. Hick's

7th.—Visited several friends at Leeds, discoursed with them about the concerns of their souls, and joined with them in prayer.

8th.—Dined with Dr. Whitaker, and discoursed about some unhappy differences among good people.

9th.—Rode to Alverthorp, where I was much assisted in prayer and preaching. On my return home, I found all well after this long absence. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

11th.—Preached at John Butterworth's of Warley, where God brought many people to hear me, and gave my soul sweet enlargement in speaking to them, and praying with them.

12th.—We had a day of fasting and prayer at James Tetley's. God graciously helped me in the work, especially in praying for the nation.

— Went to Little Lever, the place of my nativity, and preached there to a full assembly of my relations, old neighbours, and friends; God was graciously with us.

— At Cockey chapel I was mercifully assisted in preaching to a large audience of serious people; and afterwards at the house of my relation, Mr. Peter Heywood. Returning to

Rochdale, God gave us a merciful opportunity in worshipping him at Robt. Milan's.

— Travelling towards Wakefield I visited John Burhead, Josiah Oates, and other christian brethren, and lodged at Mr. Jenkinson's, Horbury. The next day, after preaching at Alverthorp, rode towards York. In that city, I waited on Lord Clifford and Lord Fairfax, lodging at night with Sir John Hewley. Preached at Lady Watson's and spent the evening at Lady Hewet's. God dealt graciously with me. The next day I visited many friends, and dined at Sir John Hewley's, with Lord Clifford, Sir Gilbert Gerherd, Sir John Brook, and others. The morning after I was called upon to preach in Lady Hewley's room. God mercifully assisted me and gave me freedom. His mercies are infinite!

## 1680.

Jan. 2nd, Lord's day.—Was sweetly comforted in praying and preaching. I attempted to describe the fruits which the Lord expects from his vineyard; and, blessed be his name, he was pleased to make it a good day.

12th.—Mr. Dawson, several others, and I, kept a day of solemn humiliation, at the house of J. K. in Wyke. God sweetly melted my heart, and helped me in preaching from Psalm lvi. 8, "Thou tellest my wanderings; put thou my tears into thy bottle; are they not in thy book?"

13th.—Rode to Bingley, preached at Josh. Walker's at Rushworth-hall, on Psalm cxix. 158, "I beheld the transgressors and was grieved, because they kept not thy word." A full assembly. Had good assistance. In the evening several brethren prayed: it was a good season.

14th.—Called on Mrs. Ferrand, of Bingley, discoursed and prayed with her. Conversed with another at Cottingley under trouble of mind. Called on Mr. Joseph Lister, and returned home in safety, though it was a very stormy day.

16th.—We had a day of fasting and prayer at my house, on account of M. R. My heart was sweetly melted while Mr. Dawson was employed.

17th.—Studied closely, and was much assisted, but not so comfortable in prayer with my wife and servant, as at other times.

18th.—Preached at Kipping, and was graciously helped through the day's work.

19th.—Attended the funeral of that gracious young woman, Grace Bastow, at Halifax. Mr. Hook preached.

22nd.—Went to Sowerby, and preached at Stubbings; my

God graciously assisting me; blessed be his holy name; it was a good day.

25th, Lord's day.—We assembled for divine worship at W. Clay's, and were exceedingly thronged, yet God was with us of a truth.

26th.—We had a day of fasting and prayer at W. Clay's, on account of the gloomy aspect of public affairs. There were many present, and O what a heart-melting day was it unto us!

28th.—Rode to Captain Hodgson's, where we had a day of fasting and prayer. God wonderfully assisted those who were employed in wrestling with him in behalf of the nation.

30th.—Was greatly assisted in my studies, though somewhat interrupted by company. That pious Christian, Mr. Joseph Lister, paid us a visit.

— My Lord Rutherford did me the honour to call upon me. We spent most of the afternoon together, I hope, to mutual edification. I returned to my chamber in the evening, where it pleased God to afford me his gracious help in my studies.

— Lord's day, I preached at Alverthorpe, and was mercifully assisted in every part of the work.

— Friday, we had a solemn day of fasting and prayer, preparatory to the Lord's supper. It pleased the Almighty to favour us with tokens of his gracious presence; my own heart was deeply affected in prayer and preaching.

— Monday, much interrupted in my studies by visitors. Have to complain of dullness and stupidity of mind. Lord, pity and pardon me.

— Tuesday, spent about six hours in secret prayer and meditation, and am unable to express what I then experienced. O what a season of humiliation and comfort was it to my poor soul! Blessed be the holy name of my gracious God for ever.

— We had a private fast at James Halstead's, which was to us a time of spiritual refreshment from the presence of the Lord. My heart was deeply affected while Mr. Joseph Lister, of Kipping, prayed.

— Thursday, I preached to a large assembly at Sam. Hopkinson's, from these words, "Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian." I trust, God was with us of a truth, and that some good was done among us.

— Preached to a full assembly at Mr. Leech's, Bingley, from the precious declaration of our Redeemer, "Him that cometh unto me, I will in no wise cast out." It was a refreshing season to myself, and, I hope, to many others.

— We had a large assembly at Mr. John Butterworth's, Warley, where I spent about four hours in prayer and preach-

ing, with great pleasure and enlargement of heart; blessed be the Father of mercies. The words dwelt upon were, "Which of you intending to build a city, or a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost?" It was a merciful season indeed.

— Lord's day was a sweet day to my soul. It pleased God to melt my heart exceedingly in pleading with him in behalf of the nation.

— Preached at Warley to a very large assembly, many of whom seemed to be deeply affected. O that I may be thankful for the mercies poured upon us at that happy season!

— Monday afternoon, we spent six hours in prayer. Seven young men were called to the exercise, and were much assisted.

1682.

June 28th.—Having performed my closet exercises, and spent some time in studying, preparatory to my journey, I set my family in order and committed them to God in prayer. After dinner I set forward for Lancashire, and as I rode over Blackstone Edge I propounded four subjects for meditation; but could only go over the two former—What God hath done for me since I first came that road?—What requital I had made?—What God calls for me to do?—What he calls me to suffer, and how? God graciously helped me. I lodged at R. Milne's, at Rochdale.

29th.—Rose early and God affected my heart very sensibly in secret prayer. O what a melting season it was! In the forenoon I gathered Lady Hewit's rents. Dined at R. M's, and after four o'clock set out towards Manchester. Here I found brother Wilson indisposed, and was helped to pray for him.

30th.—God enlarged my heart in prayer, and graciously assisted me. Visited Mr. Tilsley, went to Mr. Newcome's and received the Lord's supper at his hands, when God gave pledges of his love: blessed be his name. In the afternoon, rode to Blakeley, and preached to a full company at widow Travers's house. Came back to Manchester; blessed be my good God.

July 1st.—In the morning, rose at four o'clock, and after reading four chapters, prayed, and went with sister Hilton to Mr. Barlow's, and preached to a considerable company on Micah v. 5. God deeply affected my heart in prayer for the church, having heard bad news. I visited some, and then travelled. Called on Mr. Sargeant at Stand, brother Colburn's at Radcliffe Bridge, and lodged at T. Woolfinan's at Darcey Lever. Blessed be God.

2nd.—I was helped in prayer, went to Cockey chapel and preached on 2 Tim. iii. 5. God graciously enlarged my heart in his work. Dined at Lawrence Lomax's and at night went to brother Colburn's, where God assisted me in repeating my sermon and praying with a great number of persons.

3rd.—Early in the morning, God helped in prayer in my chamber, and in the family. Then I set forwards to Bolton, called at my father's house in Little Lever, and arrived at Bolton at twelve o'clock. Heard Mr. Boardman preach in the church. Visited Mr. Lever, my dear child in Christ. Alice Crompton came to me in bitterness of soul, on whom God had wrought by my ministry; I discoursed and prayed with her. Lodged at brother Okey's; blessed be my good God.

4th.—In my chamber this morning I met with more than ordinary incomes of grace, and out-goings of heart to God. Then I had some conversation with Mr. Lever. Afterwards came to Darcey Lever, and preached a funeral sermon at Thos. Woolfman's, for a daughter of cousin Alice Greenhalgh on Micah vi. 7. God graciously helped. At night I repeated it to a full company. Despatched other business, and lodged there safely.

5th.—God helped me betimes in prayer and reading my chapters. Spent the forenoon with my sister Esther. Towards eleven o'clock rode to Brightmet and preached a funeral sermon for Ann Scolcroft on Rev. xxii. 14. God graciously assisted. Lodged at Cousin Crompton's, Crompton Fold.

6th.—Was helped to pray and bless my God for many mercies, especially for my dear wife who was born in this house. After family prayer, I rode to Little Lever, discoursed and prayed with my sister's daughter, who is married and going to live in my father's house to whom it belongs. Discoursed with D. Holt, in Bury, and came to Rochdale at six o'clock. Preached at a friend's house, and lodged at R. Milne's.

7th.—God helped me in my chamber earnestly to plead with him, and to bless him for my journey so far and the mercies thereof. Then we had prayer, breakfast, and conversation. Set forward on my journey, in which God protected. Called at Josiah Stonefield's, and arrived at home by six o'clock. Had a large and sweet letter from my son Eliczer. Blessed be God for returns of prayer.

Sept. 25th.—Set forward for Lancashire, accompanied by my wife. Called at Littleborough, and lodged at Rochdale, with P. Ogden.

26th.—In the morning was helped in prayer with my wife.

We visited friends, dined, and rode to Manchester. God graciously preserved us and brought us safely to brother Hilton's, where we found mercy. Blessed be God.

27th.—In the morning I was assisted in prayer. Visited friends in the forenoon. After dinner walked out, and at six o'clock preached at Martha Taylor's, on Prov. iv. 23. God in mercy gave assistance, and we had a full company.

28th.—In the forenoon, visited Mr. Hooper, &c. After dinner rode to Booth-hall, near Blakeley, and preached on Cant. v. 3. God helped me. I returned and repeated my sermon at brother Hilton's. Blessed be God.

29th.—In the morning my wife and I took our journey to J. Leach's, at Newton, where I preached to a good company. Dined and came back to Manchester. Visited Mr. Scolfield, and then preached at Mr. Barlow's from seven o'clock till nine, on Isa. xl. 31. God appeared for me: blessed be his name.

30th.—In the morning we committed our concerns to God, and visited friends in Manchester. After dinner my wife and I set out for Cockey-Moor. Met with a drunken man in Stand-Lane, who threatened us; but God in mercy protected us. We came to Ratcliffe Bridge and lodged at Lawrence Lomax's.

Oct. 1st.—Preached at Cockey chapel all day, on Gal. i. 4. God helped me in prayer and preaching. There was a very numerous assembly. Met cousin N. Heywood and his mother. Found mercy all day. Repeated at night at Lawrence Lomax's to a house full of people, and lodged there. Blessed, blessed be my God.

2nd.—God graciously helped me in the morning to plead for the church, and made it a good day. I went to Bolton and heard the lecture. Met with cousin Bradshaw, discoursed with him about my sons, and had encouragement. Conversed and prayed with E. Crompton. At night repeated to a house full at brother Okey's, where we lodged.

3rd.—In the morning God assisted. Then got ready, and after family prayer, departed. Called on my sister Esther, discoursed and prayed with her and sister Heywood. Rode to my father's house, where James Lomax now lives. Preached to a full assembly on Zeph. ii. 3. God afterwards helped in despatching business. Received rents and returned to Bolton.

4th.—After prayer and breakfast we took leave, and set out on our journey. Called and dined at cousin J. Crompton's, at Breightmet. Set forward and called on Mrs. Gregg, Bridge-hall. Came to Mrs. Hallow's, near Rochdale; lodged there and much mercy. Blessed be God.

5th.—In the morning God graciously met my heart in prayer

with my wife. After family worship set myself to spend some time in secret prayer before dinner. O what a melting season it was! Blessed be my God. After dinner rode to Mr. Ogden's, and preached there at night to a full company, on Prov. vi. 23. God wonderfully helped. We lodged there.

6th.—After closet and family duties, I and my wife came forwards. God preserved in and from danger. We called at Miss Stead's. Came home and found all well. Blessed be God. Several friends came to welcome us home.

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*THE Warrant, by virtue whereof Mr. Hardcastle\* was taken at Shadwell, with twenty-four more, he for preaching, they for hearing.*

To all Bailiffs, Constables, and other his Majesty's Officers, especially to John Aneyard, and Matthew Wilkinson.

*Com. Ebor.* } WHEREAS we are credibly informed that divers  
*West Rid.* } Sectarians and other disloyal persons, do oftentimes in great numbers, to the terror of the king's liege people, riotously, seditiously, and impudently meet in divers places, within the said Riding at unlawful assemblies and conventicles, under colour and pretence of exercise of religion, in other manner than is allowed by the liturgy and practice of the Church of England; which meetings they are the more encouraged to hold, by the wilful neglect and carelessness of the constables, and other officers in the said Riding to suppress the same, in which conventicles under colour of preaching, divers schismatical and nonconformist clerks, and other dangerous and disloyal persons do traduce and revile the king, and the church aforesaid, and endeavour by such means to disaffect the people to the government, and as far as in them lies consequently to disturb the king's peace, and turmoil the nation in new combustions and confusions, which said conventicles are notorious, and in those parts in contempt of the government are notoriously held.—These are therefore in his Majesty's name to will and require you and every of you, taking with you such assistants as you shall think fit from time to time, to prohibit and discharge the said conventicles, and unlawful assemblies, and at all times to apprehend and seize the persons in the said meetings, and to carry them before two of his Majesty's Justices of

\* See pages 114 and 253.

the peace for the said Riding, to be prosecuted against according to law, and hereof fail not at your peril.

Given under our hands and seals the 22nd of May, in the 17th year of his Majesty's reign.

JOHN ARMITAGE.    FRAN. WHITE.  
JOHN KAY.            J. N.

## SOLILOQUIES.



MANY of Mr. Heywood's Soliloquies were composed on various events of his life, and are so interwoven with his history that they have necessarily been inserted in the preceding memoirs. Others relate more generally to his religious experience, and may be read with interest by Christians as descriptive of those spiritual feelings common to all the regenerated family of God. "As in water face answereth to face, so the heart of man to man." The relation and comparison of religious experience have often proved an effectual means of encouraging weak believers, instructing young converts, and promoting the general welfare of souls. The spiritual experience of David as recorded in the book of Psalms, has been of incalculable benefit to the church of God in every succeeding age, and many who are now on their pilgrimage to the heavenly Jerusalem are thankful for what the inspired Psalmist has declared of the "things God had done for his soul." One end of christian biography, and that too not the least important, is, that the present and future race of spiritual combatants may become acquainted with the conflicts of those who are now inheriting the promises, and with the means by which they "came off more than conquerors." The following extracts from the remainder of Mr. Heywood's soliloquies, will therefore no doubt be acceptable to the pious reader.

The remarks inserted by Mr. Heywood on a blank leaf of the volume containing his soliloquies, will form a suitable introduction to the extracts. "I intend to write in this book some private soliloquies and ejaculations, wherewith my soul hath been very much delighted under the various pressures and burdens which have frequently encumbered me, and sat heavy on my spirits. I have experienced this divine act of meditation and self-argumentation to be the most sovereign way to dispel the