

of any thing which threatened to retard its progress. In schools she felt a peculiar interest; and though little can as yet [1821] be done in female education, that little she endeavored to encourage to the utmost. Hence, when her daughter-in-law, Mrs. William Carey, had an opportunity at Cutwa, of raising and superintending a school for native girls, she immediately took the expense of that school on herself.

As her weak habit of body confined her much to the house, she devoted a large portion of her leisure to the reading of the Scriptures and of works on practical religion. Among these she much delighted in Saurin, De Moulin, and other French Protestant writers. She admired Massillon's language, his deep knowledge of the human heart, and his intrepidity in reproofing sin; but felt the greatest dissatisfaction with his total neglect of his Saviour, except when he is introduced to give efficacy to works of human merit. These authors she read in their native language, that being more familiar to her than English.

She in general enjoyed much of the consolations of religion. Though so much afflicted, a pleasing cheerfulness generally pervaded her conversation. She indeed possessed great activity of mind. She was constantly out with the dawn of the morning when the weather permitted, in her little carriage, drawn by one bearer; and again in the evening, as soon as the sun was sufficiently low. She thus spent daily nearly three hours in the open air. It was, probably, this vigorous and regular course which, as the means, carried her beyond the age of three-score years, (twenty-one of them spent in India,) notwithstanding the weakness of her constitution.

About three weeks before her death, her sight, which had enabled her hitherto to read the smallest print without glasses, failed at once without any previous indisposition, and was afterwards restored only in a partial degree. This seemed to indicate the approaching dissolution of her mortal frame, and as such she appeared to regard it. She, however, still continued her morning and evening airings. But on May 25th, as she was returning in the evening, within a few