

kindness, because we feel kindly towards them in our hearts. Such manners were always acted out, as her numerous friends can testify, in her truly hospitable home in this place. But if any parents felt dissatisfied with this Christian education and Christian politeness, and preferred a fashionable education for their daughters, Miss Lyon did not aspire to be their teacher, nor felt emulous of the laurels that might be won in such a field. It was enough for her if she could send forth pupils with minds well disciplined and stored with knowledge, with physical constitutions invigorated by exercise, temperance, and the practice of all other important hygienic laws, and with hearts glowing with a desire to do good. And when we recollect that nearly three thousand such, scattered over the whole face of the globe, still survive, what an impression do we get of the mighty work which this single woman has accomplished, and of the vast influence she is at this moment exerting upon the human family ! *

* I am indebted to Mrs. Banister (Miss Z. O. Grant) for the following statement of the fundamental principles on which, in her opinion, Miss Lyon's superior skill in teaching was founded. It is interesting to observe the thoroughly Christian character of these principles.

“Some of Miss Lyon's excellences as an educator consisted, —

“In her knowledge and love of the character and government of God.

“In her knowledge of the human mind — its capacities; its destiny; of the effects of habits, and the way to form them aright; of the relation of the human mind to its Creator and to its fellow-creatures, and of the obligations growing out of those relations.

“In her entire and cordial reception of the Bible as a revelation of God to man; in her knowledge and love of this blessed book.

“In having the first and second table of the moral law written on her heart; in her peculiar facility in leading others to an intellectual understanding of this law.

“In her deep appreciation of the gospel as opening a way for the salvation of the lost; her living faith in all its truths — especially in Him who is *the* truth.