

DR. MARSH AND LORD RODEN.

REV. DR. MARSH of England, once repeated the following lines to Lord Roden, telling him that they were composed by his old schoolmaster Dr. Valpy, as his confession of faith. Lord Roden requested Dr. Marsh to write them down, and he fastened the paper over the mantelpiece in his study.

IN PEACE LET ME RESIGN MY BREATH,
AND THY SALVATION SEE;
MY SINS DESERVE ETERNAL DEATH,
BUT JESUS DIED FOR ME.

Some time after, General Taylor, one of the heroes of Waterloo, came to visit Lord Roden. He felt no interest in religion, but kept his eye fixed upon this verse. At length Lord Roden ventured to say, "Why, general, you will soon know that verse by heart." "I know it now by heart," replied the general, with emphasis and feeling. The general became entirely changed, and died two years after, repeating the lines which had led him to Christ.

Lord Roden related these facts at a neighbor's, where a young officer from the Crimea was visiting. Some months after, as this officer lay on his death-bed, he sent an urgent request for Lord Roden to visit him. On his entering the room, he held out his hand, repeating these simple lines, and adding, "They have been God's message of peace to my soul."

Many years after, Dr. Marsh was paying a last visit to an old and valued friend. The aged friends were comparing years, when Mr. Maitland said, "I am not your equal in years, but I wish I were in wisdom and goodness." Dr. Marsh pointed him to Christ, and quoted Dr. Valpy's lines, and, at Mr. Maitland's request, wrote down the verse for him. As he received it, he said, "I shall wear it near my heart." It was found there after his death.

We have copied these lines, so signally blest, hoping that other eyes resting upon them may be led to adopt them as their own.

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