

perimentally the otherwise almost incredible influence which a foreman generally possesses over the other servants.

3d. See to it that your servants regularly attend some place of worship on sabbath days. If you think you lack authority to do this, make it a term of agreement. Preaching is the divinely appointed means of regenerating mankind, and that which is most usually blessed for that purpose; and none can without incurring guilt causelessly absent themselves from it, or allow others over whom their authority extends, to do so. Ministers of the gospel too, (as they frequently complain that from their frequent shiftings, farm servants, though their occasional hearers, perhaps members of their churches, are seldom personally known to them), we humbly think might oftener, as they sometimes condescend to address themselves specially to young people, do so to farm-servants also—adapting the sentiments and the language to their particular condition. Such direct earnest appeal would appear to us most likely to benefit the class—the means of whose spiritual recovery we are considering.

4th. Duty clearly demands that every householder, great or small, shall set up an altar in his dwelling for the worship of the Most High, around which all the domestics, servants included, may have daily opportunity of assembling and unitedly offering up the incense of the morning and evening sacrifices of praise, thanksgiving, and prayer. Within the precincts of his own family, the master is the divinely constituted prophet, priest, and king; and servants form a part of that family. He is God's vicegerent to them for the time being, as might be proved from what is said of Abraham; and as such, he holds his authority directly from God himself. But if he still think that he lacks authority from man to compel attendance upon family worship, he could easily make this also a term of agreement. It is astonishing, however, how readily most servants—though formerly unused to it—will of themselves comply with the practice, especially if the foreman is favourable to it. Nevertheless, in order to be successfully carried out, it must not only be judiciously commenced, but diligently prosecuted—so apt are men to find excuses to themselves for the neglect of known duty. Along with the regular observance of family worship, a master, if him-