

THE DIAL OF LIFE.

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HIS is a mysterious-looking figure, but it is easily explained. The half-circle represents a man's life, from his first birthday, down in the left corner, to the eightieth one he may possibly live to, in the corner opposite. Eighty years is the utmost allowance of time a man may reckon upon for doing any active work in the world ; and this is the reason why it is given as the limit on this dial. For, what do you think the dial is for ? Not only to remind the general looker-on of the age and infirmity and death which must one day come upon us all ; but to call the attention of the young to the glorious number of years God gives His creatures to be busy