

enquiry meeting was held among the children when a considerable number seemed to be deeply impressed. At 3 p. m. a Union Prayer Meeting was held in Mr. Scott's Church. The church (except the galleries) was quite full, and when the children gathered in from the city schools about 4 o'clock, the house was crowded. Addresses were delivered by Dr. Irvine and Mr. Hammond, upon the *duties and difficulties* of Divine Life, and at the enquiry meeting clergymen of all the protestant churches in London were present and took part. I have never witnessed a more interesting—indeed a more touching sight than that which I saw in the Vestry of St. Andrew's Church—a very crowd of little ones and grown ones, some sobbing, some praying and others being conversed and prayed with by ministers and christian laymen and devout ladies.

The meeting in the large Wesleyan Church, at 7½ o'clock p. m., was like some you have had in Hamilton. On the platform and in the church as well as at the enquiry meeting, Episcopalian, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and Congregational ministers were in attendance.

The services being commenced by devotional exercises, Dr. Irvine gave a pointed and forcible address upon the means to be used in working such an important movement, and how to use them—in which he introduced several very touching cases which had come under his own observation. Mr. Hammond gave a powerful discourse on the Prodigal Son, and several hundreds waited for the enquiry meeting which was continued till nearly half past eleven, and most of the ministers remained till the close.

At eight o'clock a. m. on Wednesday the children's meeting was held in the Congregational Church and addressed by Dr. Irvine and Mr. Hammond. After the children were dismissed the church was soon filled by adults. Then Dr. Irvine preached on the efficacy and power of prayer, and continued his discourse till nearly the hour of the train leaving for Hamilton. A goodly number of christian friends accompanied him and Mr. Hammond to the train, regretting their departure. From Saturday till Wednesday morning Mr. Hammond addressed 13 meetings in London; and from Monday evening till Wednesday morning Dr. Irvine addressed six. Though these friends have left, it is resolved that the Ministers here will keep up the meetings, as there are hopeful symptoms of a gracious awakening—especially among the young.

Montreal, Dec. 24.

The *Montreal Witness* of Dec. 24, says—The Union meeting on Sunday afternoon in the Wesleyan Church, St. James Street—the largest Protestant place of worship in the city—was so crowded that from four to five hundred adjourned to the lecture-room below for prayer, and the two meetings went on simultaneously. In the evening, the meeting in the American Church was also crowded; at which, besides the address from Mr. Hammond, the Rev. Mr. Brookman, Episcopal Minister from the Diocese of Huron, made an eloquent and fervid appeal to the audience—to be reconciled to God in Christ.

The meetings on Monday afternoon in the American Presbyterian Church, and in the evening in the Wesleyan Church, were solemn. Not only has the hearing ear been vouchsafed to multitudes, but the broken and contrite heart to not a few. This, we think, can only be the work of the Spirit of God; and when the kingdom draws thus nigh to us, the responsibility laid upon Christians to improve the golden opportunity of laboring for souls is very great. It is a day of good things; and one may well say to another, Why sit we here idle?

CONFERENCE.

The Eastern Conference of Congregational Churches and Ministers held its semi-annual meeting on Wednesday, November 12, at Flat Rock.

In addition to its ordinary business, the Conference dedicated the new and beautiful church edifice just completed by this church and society. This new