

prayer-preparation before the Congress, and was maintained amidst the social delights and charm of travel by worshipping companies en route, mirrored itself in the open, in the first Saturday afternoon meeting in Cook's Church. The spirit of the gathering was quietly and intensely devotional. The true harmonic, to which all hearts were responsive, was struck by the retiring Moderator, Dr. D. G. McQueen, speaking from the words, "Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord." This impressive and simple address was in its spiritual appeal ably seconded by Mr. John Penman of Paris, one of the ten whose liberality had made the Congress possible. He focussed his address around the texts, "Lord, what will thou have me to do?" and "Thy people shall be willing in the day of Thy power." There was not anyone in that large initial gathering that did not feel that the wind of God was bending men's souls like standing corn and moving through the tree tops.

It was with quickened spiritual desires and hearts expectant that we gathered the following morning in the great hall, the scene thereafter of the main sessions of Congress and Assembly. Nor were we disappointed. This 9:00 o'clock Sunday morning meeting, following the deep impression of the day before, carried us still farther, and leading us through the valley of humiliation lifted up to a clear, pure height of vision, the highest attained at either Congress or Assembly. Principal Gandier of Knox College was the speaker that morning, and the strength and power of his great appeal will ever be memorable.

It seemed almost that we had begun our song at too high a key, for the soul-stirring impressiveness of these opening meetings was not maintained. Many eloquent and significant things were said, and there were many reviving scenes. The solemn dignity and beauty of the great communion when 4000 partook of the elements of the sacrament deserves special mention. But many of us felt that in the succeeding days the true aim of the Congress, as a generator of power, was distinctly missed. The committee deserves credit for the ordered arrangement of the program as a whole, though an abbreviated one, with rest intervals, would have been much more effective. But the succession of problem papers, brilliant, eloquent and illuminative as many of them were, showing us the wide and far-flung battle line of the Christian campaign, did little to gird us for the fray. Under the inspiration of Superintendent Grant, who conceived the Congress, at the call of his magnificent generosity and of others with him, men had