

on having an eloquent preacher, a larger attendance, or elegant choral songs. Better begin a protracted meeting with a few praying persons whose hearts are warmed with love than with a multitude of cold hearted, fair-weather, big-meeting christians. A few live, burning coals will do more to kindle others and spread a heavenly power around than a thousand icicles that have not seen the Sun of Righteousness since the last protracted effort.

2nd. Let there be all through the meeting much of doctrinal preaching. The habit of sliding off into hortatory preaching just when the mind is roused and most capable of understanding doctrines, is a fatal blunder. Instead of dwelling at such times on such texts as 'Seek the Lord while he may be found,' 'Oh generation of vipers,' Day of Judgment, and death bed scenes; we should grow earnest over the fall of man, the sinfulness of sin, a crucified Saviour, the simplicity of faith and obedience &c., and from these great truths established, come down with your tender and powerful exhortations.

3rd. Don't preach all the time *directly* to sinners. Preach to the church. This often has a better influence upon sinners than direct appeals to them. Keep feeding the church; for the very hour fervency begins to die in the church that hour your revival begins to die. Make the church strong in the Lord. The more powerful the machinery the faster you will move. The hotter the fire the sooner the stones will melt. Above all, pray always for all saints and sinners, that God may bring them to his kingdom and glory.

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THE ROMANIST CONCORDAT IN AUSTRIA.

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Some years ago, the Emperor Francis Joseph, incited by the bigoted Archduchess Sophia, his mother, concluded a concordat with the Court of Rome. All the work accomplished, at the end of the last century, under the liberal reign of Joseph II. was overthrown. The Popish clergy recovered their exorbitant privileges, and they do not fail to use them. I could fill pages with acts of intolerance, and tyranny, committed by priests in the Austrian States; I will mention only a few.

Public instruction is wholly under the control of the priests. No professor of philosophy, of history, or even of the mathematical or phys-