

Bible-service. Classification is greatly needed, the congregational-class being an integral part of the service before and after, with devotional services for all. The portion of the Bible searched must be before the mind of each person engaged the preceding week. Each teacher should be able to teach the lesson to Chinese or Arabs who never heard the Gospel. The pastor must teach the congregational-class; not preach, not expound, but draw out what the members of the class have found in the lesson. Teaching is drawing out as well as putting in. They have been in the habit of saying nothing. They must be taught to speak. Ask first some simple question a child could answer, and they will answer; and then hearing their own voice they will get over the fright. The congregation, somewhat staid and formal when this plan was first tried, was in a few years so transformed that it is now one of the most active churches in New England. The religion was all in the head. It got into the hearts and into the pockets. How about establishing such a class in your congregations? I tell you how to start them—prayer, prayer, prayer will do it. A poor woman in Syria heard the Bible read by an Armenian. Her heart was touched. She went into each room in a long block of houses, entreating her neighbors to go and hear the Bible read. Not one would go. She went back to her room and prayed to the Saviour that God would incline the woman next to her to go up. In six months that poor woman, who could neither write nor read, had prayed all those people on both sides of the street into the Bible-room, and yet had not visited one of them since the first time. I have sixty young men and women that come into the prayer room at 10.15 and stay till 10.45 Sabbath a.m., and there is only one prayer—pour Thy Spirit on the services of the Lord's House to-day. Another has a class that are praying the same thing. This brings the blessing. You can pray anything into the Kingdom of God. If you pray in the Spirit, and that God will bring the people to study the Bible, for instruction and light, God will answer. Let there be prayer in the closet, in the family, in the church for this, and you will find sinners enquiring. You will find Christians going about inviting people to come. You will find the school thickening up with all ages in the congregation, and the glory of God will be seen returning to the Church and settling on the body of Christ, so that it will be known and seen by all men—not that they have been with Christ but that they *abide in Him*, and that the power of God is resting upon them.

In the unavoidable absence, through business, of Hon. S. H. Blake,

Mr. REYNOLDS was introduced, and received with applause. In a Convention he attended the question was asked at the close, "What did you come for?" The delegates replied variously, and the Presi-