

In Richmond Street, many of the people are very careless, no reading of the Scriptures, no attendance upon public worship, many candidly say, that they know they have no religion, and some make promises of future amendment. They are truly sheep without a shepherd.

In Agnes Street, I have reason to believe that some have reformed their lives, but I know many whole families, and members of others, who have never heard the Gospel for years.

May 1st.—Held a most interesting meeting, three families bade us farewell, one young man addressed the meeting, and stated what a great blessing the city mission had been to him, and earnestly urged all present punctually to attend our services, begged an interest in their prayers, and promised to remember them in his. It would have encouraged the friends of the mission to have witnessed that meeting.

June 7th.—Visited twelve families in Dummer Street: found them generally civil to myself, but little or no respect paid to religion. In one house there were four persons, one of whom said it was now sixteen years, another said it was nine years, the third said it was seven years since he had been in a place of worship, and the fourth could not remember the time when he had attended church.

July 21st.—When I take a review of my labours among the poor of my district, I see abundant evidence that God continues to bless the humble instrumentality of the city mission. I would here recount a few instances:—

One woman, who seemed to have utterly forgotten God, as well as forsaken his house, and lived in a most abandoned manner, was present when I visited her husband in his affliction. I spoke to them of the love of God to sinners, and the salvation of the Gospel. For a long time she received both me and my message very indifferently; at length she heard and believed, and is now an humble praying Christian. Her husband I hope also knows the truth, and obeys it, and a very decided and visible change has been made in the whole family. A man one day said to me, your name will be dear to me while I live, you found me living in my sins, directed me to the Saviour of Sinners, and I have now peace and joy in believing the Gospel. Another man said to me, a few days ago, I will tell you the conclusion to which I have come, I will devote myself soul, body, and spirit and all that I have to the service of Him who bought me with his blood. A woman in great affliction said, It is the Lord that sent you, for you have often brought comfort to my soul, don't forget to come soon and see me again. On Monday a man said to me, For the last week my mind has been greatly disturbed, but yesterday after listening to you, my doubts were all removed, and my confidence in God restored, I never spent a happier hour all my life, I shall never cease to give God praise, for what he has done for me through your instrumentality. I have further been enabled to read the word of God, and pray with many families who enjoy no other means of grace, have conversed and prayed with the afflicted and dying, some of whom left comfortable evidence behind them that they had gone to their rest. Our prayer meetings are well attended, and all seem interested and attentive. I have great reason to thank God and take courage, for hitherto hath the Lord helped me.

Sept. 30th.—Visited Terauley and Richmond Streets. Some sick, one

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