

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE WOMAN'S PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF MISSIONS,
OF THE NORTH-WEST.

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In many respects this was one of the best meetings ever held by the North-West Board. The papers were not more interesting, nor the addresses more enthusiastic than in past years, but there seemed a deep spiritual presence, a fervor, a glow, which can better be felt than described, but which was beautifully accounted for by Dr. Freeman, pastor of Immanuel Church, in which the meeting was held, who, speaking of this spiritual influence, said: "Your meeting has been baptized in prayer beforehand." The presence, also, of a number of returned Missionaries, all of them full of zeal, brightness and devotion to their life work, was in itself an inspiration. There were the three beautiful, cultured girls, Agnes Carey, Jenny Anderson, and Fanny Cundall, from Persia, China and Syria, with Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, from the "Dark Continent;" Mrs. Van Hook, from Persia, and Miss Dougherty, who is resting a while from her work among the Indians. The pictures of mission life and work given by these dear friends were sometimes grave, gay, amusing or sorrowful, but all were hopeful and encouraging, and all testified to the power of the Gospel to dispel the gloom, ignorance and superstition of heathenism.

Miss Fanny Cundall had caught most perfectly the Muezzin call to prayer, and as she repeated for us, in Arabic, this weird, but still most musical call to prayer, which is heard in all Mohammedan countries from three to five times a day: "Our God is one. There is no God but one, and Mohammed is his prophet," our thoughts travelled