

meeting of 1500 converts in the Assembly Hall on Friday evening, was one of the finest sights ever witnessed here, and one cannot help thinking that if Jesus shed tears of sorrow over impenitent Jerusalem, He must have looked down on the scene with peculiar delight. He sees of the "travail of his soul and is satisfied." It has been proved that when the Church is in earnest, conversion is the rule, not the exception. Mr. Moody has such a business way of going to work, direct to the point, and yet I believe in dealing with the anxious, very, very tender. He told us one day he had been charged with speaking ungrammatically. "I know that," he said, "and no one can regret it more than I do, but I had not early opportunities, and if you saw a blind man, about to fall over a bridge, would you run for your grammar book, before you helped him?" There is a charm about Mr. Sankey's singing quite heavenly, and his hymns are being sung everywhere in private meetings, families, etc. still when one of our grand old psalms was given out there was a voice with *power*, which seemed to put a seal upon the whole movement. We felt our church to be greatly bereaved when we lost first Dr. Guthrie, and then Dr. Candlish, we were ready to cry "help Lord for the Godly man ceaseth". The Lord hath helped, in bidding us cease from man, 'not by might nor by power but by My Spirit, saith the Lord.'

QUESTIONS ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

- 1.—What is the number of Communicants in your congregation? Number received during the past year? How many by certificate? How many on profession of faith?
- 2.—On what grounds are applicants for admission to communion received, and how are they dealt with in order to their admission?
- 3.—Is the discipline of the Church faithfully maintained by the Session?
- 4.—Is family worship generally observed by the members of the Church?
- 5.—Are there any prayer meetings connected with the congregation? If so, how conducted? How attended? Any district meetings conducted by the Elders?
- 6.—Have you a Sabbath School, or Schools? Do the Elders show much interest in Sabbath School work? Are the teachers sustained, in any good degree, by the sympathy and co-operation of the members of the Church? Is the Shorter Catechism used?
- 7.—Is there any evidence of increasing liberality, in the congregation, in the support of Gospel ordinances among themselves, and in contributions to the Schemes of the Church?
- 8.—How is the Sabbath observed in your community?
- 9.—Is intemperance on the decrease, or otherwise? Any special means used in order to its suppression?
- 10.—Can you specify any particular hindrances to the advancement of Christ's cause among you?
- 11.—Can you specify any hopeful indications of spiritual life among the young, or in the congregation generally?

In the beginning of January, copies of these questions were addressed to all the Kirk Sessions of the Canada Presbyterian Church. Additional copies have since been forwarded to the Clerks of the various Presbyteries