

the destructionists. With ghastly countenances they demurred but could do no more. Brethren Eaton, Sheppard and Munnell (if I mistake not for I took no notes,) occupied this day in melting glowing, and soul-stirring addresses and exhortations; at the close of which, two interesting young persons presented themselves for admission into the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour. Angels rejoiced and the saints were glad. Perfect harmony and holy affection obtained during the day and indeed continued throughout the entire meeting. The third day opened upon us propitiously. The audience, some 1,500 persons, manifested order and attention during the day. I pensively viewed this vast multitude composed of almost every description of mind and character. How many in this great assembly will obey the glad tidings of salvation? How many will be recognized as children of God in the great judgment day? Alas! these are interrogatories of the most solemn import. Frequently, however, in the dense crowd the eye rests upon a countenance breathing heavenly sweetness and innocence seeming to possess perfect happiness in the company of God's dear children. How delighted Mary and Martha must have been while hearing the Saviour speak, to view his face, beholding there goodness, meekness, kindness, sweetness, purity and love. A meek and quiet spirit is in the sight of God of great price. By reference to a note elsewhere, you will see to whom I refer. Cheerfulness at all times is pleasing, but a morose disposition reminds me of the character spoken of in Daniel chap. 3; 19. Bro. Munnell gave the morning address which was productive of much edification to me, although he regretted being hindered in bringing it to a desirable conclusion by reason of the dash of rain in conjunction with other inauspicious circumstances. No properly educated disciple of the Lord Jesus will demur at or question the utility of those cheering annual gatherings of the saints from all quarters; because, perhaps, every movement may not be in consonance with his views of right, but will exercise due forbearance considering the great amount of good accomplished on such occasion. But some individuals very far off are so surprisingly perpendicular that they lean a little the other way. Let me ask every disciple small and great, rich and poor—do you not on returning from a scene so rich and glorious, feel emotions of delight indescribable, and joy, peace, and sweet composure of mind, superlatively pleasing and effectually bracing to the soul? In the affirmative you all will answer. Let the giddy world chase its fas-