

ments permitted; in this invitation many of our ministers united. Mr. H. accordingly came here after he had spent some time in Canada West. For the first few days he had two services, one in the afternoon for children and another in the evening for adults, in the American Presbyterian Church. These meetings deepened in interest every day. They were conducted in a lively and simple manner. The addresses were brief and pointed. Many prayers were offered and hymns sung. Consciences began to awaken. The children were first deeply affected. Many with tears mourned for sin and sought for Jesus. After an hour and a half spent in religious exercises, an equal portion was spent in personal conference and prayer with inquirers. Many were constrained openly to avow concern for their souls, and to ask what they must do to be saved. Ministers and experienced christians prayed much with the anxious, and pointed them to Christ Jesus as the only way of peace. Many, both young and old, found peace in believing at these meetings. Their eyes were opened, and they saw Jesus to be their Saviour. Many too who had become cold in their affections for Christ were quickened to new love, to a renewal of their espousals to him. The evening meetings were finally removed to the large Wesleyan Church in Great St. James Street, and the spacious building was filled to overflowing. The feeling manifested was deep and intense. Anxiety was depicted on many a downcast countenance, and joy shone sweetly on others. The numbers of both the awakened and the rejoicing increased daily. I do not like to state exact numbers, having an aversion to numbering the people, but may safely say that those who were brought to place an implicit trust in Christ might be reckoned by hundreds.

The ministers who took part in these meetings were daily much engaged in meeting privately with enquirers. Young and old, but chiefly the former, came to them in numbers, anxious about their souls; and God, by His spirit, blessed the counsels and prayers of his servants to their comfortable conversion to Christ. Almost all the Protestant churches of the city have been quickened and refreshed at this time, but more especially those whose ministers took a personal interest in the work.

The meetings were not conducted in the same way as revival meetings are sometimes conducted. There was no extravagance of any kind, no noise or shouting, all was quiet and decorous, but solemn and earnest. Those who were under concern for their soul were asked to stand up while that beautiful and plaintive hymn "Come to Jesus" was being sung. To this some might take exception, but it was found in the working to be most salutary. It called for decision—it broke down in many cases the remains of unwillingness to confess before men a desire for Christ. This means, unusual as it is in our Presbyterian churches, was yet greatly blessed for the thorough awakening of conscience. In Mr. Hammond's preaching there was no attempt at eloquence or fine speaking; all that he said was plain, pointed, direct, earnest. He dwelt exclusively on the old themes of the sinner lost, and Christ by faith the sinner's Saviour. His prayers were always simple, special and brief, they were truly wrappings with God. He was remarkably free from general and wordy formulas, into which public praying so frequently degenerates. He did not preach to God as many do, but he prayed. The hymns that were sung were such as are precious