

afterwards "abundantly satisfied with the fatness of His house and drank of the rivers of His pleasure." The singing at these meetings was absolutely grand, and the presence of God was sensibly felt. Every night there were inquirers for salvation.

On Thursday, the 25th August, the preachers in the auditorium were, Revs. G. D. Carrow, D.D., and M. Newkirk, D.D., Philadelphia; and Dr. Hulburd, New York. Dr. Newkirk preached from 1 Tim. i. 7, "The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth from all sin." Sin he portrayed in the darkest hues, and multi-form in development, but for its extirpation he showed there was an available remedy; and how this remedy is reached he expounded with vigour and telling effect. As the preacher sat down, Dr. Stokes advanced to the front, and called several ministers of different denominations to his side, and obtained their attestation to the substantial truth of the text, to show how near all evangelical ministers came together in their views. At the close of Dr. Newkirk's sermon a very touching incident occurred. A child had wandered away in the vast audience from his father's side, and began to weep bitterly. A gentleman took the child in his arms and placed him on the platform, so as to attract the attention of the parents. No sooner had the father caught a glimpse of the child than he bounded forward, and with open arms received his boy. Dr. Stokes was equal to the occasion, and with his characteristic versatility turned this to good account. He described the sinner like that child, as a wanderer from God, and the father's anxiety for his return, and closed with a powerful appeal to the unconverted and backsliders to come to Jesus. The effect was marvellous: there was a rush to the altar of prayer, while the hymn was being sung:

"Ready the Father is to own,
And kiss His late returning son."

And many then and there gave their hearts to God. This incident has been beautifully narrated in verse by Mrs. M. Ella Cornell. The preacher referred to in the fourth stanza was Dr. Stokes, the President of the meeting.

"The man of God has told the story well,
The dear old story of the precious blood,
That, shed on Calvary to wash man's sins,
Is free to all, a blessed cleansing flood."