

In a second class of the unsaved a tendency to decision is the prevailing feature. There is here a positive mental state which, when it surrenders to Christ, does so as the result of a definite act of the will; and the consequence is usually, if not always, a life devoted to the service of God and humanity. These also are not liable to unhealthy manifestations. There is too much positive energy in their minds, too much genuine physical force well directed and wisely controlled, to permit the admixture of any physical or mental derangement. These are in that state of mind which all revival efforts should foster. The larger the number of such persons found in our meetings, the greater will be their success.

A third class of the unsaved remains, whose prevailing characteristic is surrender. This attitude of surrender was named, also, in the description of the class of persons last referred to, but in such persons surrender was purposive. They yielded with a high motive, and in consequence of a definite act of the intellect and will. We are now dealing with those whose chief tendency is to yield, and with them no powerful motive is required. They are negative characters. Passivity renders them strong, under the stimulus of extraordinary and commanding minds, but is a source of weakness when such stimulation is withdrawn. In them any action which may be suggested, either orally, mentally or physically, while they are in a highly sensitive condition and under the influence of psychical stimulation, is likely to prevail. Such stimulation is sure to be present, to a greater or less degree, in camp-meetings and revivals, and where suggestions of the desirability of peculiar excitations, and of the physical or objective phenomena which such excitations produce are not wanting, there will most surely be a plentiful display of grotesque and unseemly seizures, trances, prostrations or convulsions. These persons, beyond all others, act and re-enact the old farce of being "converted" at every revival, and relapsing during every inter-revival period.

But the evangelist also has his individualities. These are usually of a very positive nature, especially where he is constantly engaged in evangelistic work.