

utilized and their latent powers developed. Several good voices were found and it was decided to form them into a choir and to interview the authorities of the jail and hospital with a view to getting permission to hold services of song on Sunday mornings.

How often has a gospel hymn the advantage over a sermon! The truth of it touches the heart of the hearer unawares when he is not on the defensive against the gospel. Eternity alone will reveal the number of souls who have been led into the Kingdom through the singing of a hymn, the chorus of which, perhaps, has echoed and re-echoed in the heart long after the last strains had died away.

Permission having been granted, after careful preparation and earnest prayer, six young workers went forth in fear and trembling into the woman's corridor of the county jail.

What a strange scene awaited them that morning! The classification of prisoners in 1886 was not what it is now. Ten young women who had been arrested late Saturday night and were awaiting their trial, were there in "party" dress. White kid slippers and gloves, a profusion of cheap artificial flowers, paint, powder, diamond dust, &c., were noticeable. Some had evidently been the worse of