

the same spirit and the baptism of fire has made each into a flaming messenger of heaven, and moulded them all into one harmonious whole.

The services were nearly all conducted by those brethren of the association, who always evinced great tact and experience. The preaching, from the commencement, seemed every time to be just the message required at that moment, so that the congregation that came to tarry were led step by step into clearer light, and brighter experience of divine things. A sacred influence rested on the encampment, the power of which increased day by day. The Master favoured us with wonderfully fine weather, so that not a single service was interrupted. From the very start scores presented themselves as seekers of the blessing of perfect love, and at times hundreds responded to the call. Ever and anon the shout of triumph was heard as souls were ushered into the full liberty of the sons of God. Ofttimes the power of the Lord came down, and powerful men were prostrated, apparently unconscious, to the earth, and awoke with a new song in their mouths. Then messages would come of blessed victories gained by others while wrestling with God in the seclusion of the private tent. There may have been at times certain manifestations and noise that might possibly slightly offend the over-fastidious; but would to God we had more of it, if accompanied by such tokens of unmistakable good. Men came from almost every point of the compass seeking the blessing of holiness, the sweet rest of faith; men who knew what the blessings of a Christian life were; men who, on account of living near to God, saw more clearly the need of the "second blessing;" and, thanks be unto God, they did not come in vain. The experience of these men and women seemed specially marked, although no two entered into the fulness in exactly the same manner—one shouting, another melted into wondrous tenderness, another sunk into speechless awe—but all testified to the same satisfying fulness in Christ. Many sinners were also converted, but the chief work aimed at and accomplished was the quickening and elevating of the Church of God, bringing the professed followers of Christ to a higher plane, so that they could hereafter work for God, and nurse those who should afterwards be born into the kingdom.

The ministers of the District in which the meeting was held were sadly conspicuous by their absence. Not more than three or