

He maketh the storm a calm.

Ps. cvii. 29.

rescuing and bringing back to the paths of rectitude the young men who have strayed and wandered far from Home.

The President of the Convention was Major Joseph Hardie, of Selma, Alabama. Three hundred and forty-two accredited delegates were present, eight of them being from Canada. The address of welcome given on behalf of the citizens by Chief Justice Jackson, was truly eloquent, and spoke to every heart. It was marked alike by deep piety and simple faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Right Reverend M. B. Baldwin, Bishop of Huron, Ontario, delivered an address on the question, "Is the Bible adapted to the young men of today, and if so, why?" This address was a rich treat, full of deep spiritual thought, and delivered in an earnest and impressive manner. It made a marked impression, and was the subject of conversation for days after. The Bishop also gave a Bible Reading on "The work of the Holy Spirit." For almost an hour he was listened to with the closest attention, as with choice and beautiful language he spoke of the Holy Ghost as the seal, the unction, the pledge of the exalted Saviour to His Church below. This Reading, with the address of the evening before, were the masterpieces of the Convention, and in themselves were worth travelling the long distance to hear. They will certainly not be forgotten for many a day to come.

Among the other topics discussed were these:—

Association Secretaries, local State and international—their relation to one another, and the spirit which should actuate them.

What modifications can be made in Association methods for better reaching young men.

What is being done for railroad men by the Associations.

The first year's experience in a new Association building.

The conversion of young men to Christ the primary object of Young Men's Christian Associations,—how can it be promoted?

Boys' work,—how can it best be developed?

Special sessions were set apart for Railroad, College and Boys' work. A deep spiritual tone pervaded the meetings, and the citizens of Atlanta took the liveliest interest in the discussions on the various departments of work, the church being frequently crowded to the door.

In addition to the General Secretaries from London and Berlin, there were present from abroad Count Pueckler, one of the Directors of the Berlin Association, and Mr. M. H. Hodder, of London, one of the leading Y. M. C. A. workers in England. One of the most pleasing and interesting incidents of the Convention was when Mr. Hodder presented to the President of the Convention a greeting from Mr. George Williams, London (whose name is a household word), and also a beautiful Bible as a "love-offering to the American Associations."

On Sunday there were many special meetings held in the open air, in the churches and Opera House. At these the large choir of male voices did effective service. There were "times of blessing" enjoyed; and at the meeting for men only, the Opera House was crowded to the door, and many here professed to have found the Saviour for the first time.

Already in Atlanta the good results of the meeting are apparent. On the Monday morning after the Convention had adjourned, seventeen young men who hitherto had no interest in Association work, but were leaders in society, met and agreed to throw their united effort and influence into the Y. M. C. A. work; and in addition to

I will both search My sheep and bring them out.

Ezek. xxxiv. 11.