

inspiring sight to look upon them as the eyes of many of them glistened with tears, and the faces of others beamed with the delight of having found the Saviour. One felt like asking with the prophet, "Who are these that fly as a cloud and as doves to their windows?"

Early last evening I slipped into the
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which has sprung up in connection with the Revival and from 80 to 100 children met in a private house to sing and pray together; and it was most touching to hear one after another in simple but appropriate language thanking their heavenly Father for what he had done for them, asking for the continued outpouring of the Spirit, interceding for their Pastor, and pleading for blessing on the meeting about to be held in the church.

THE GATHERING IN THE CHURCH

the evening was large, the lower part of church being nearly full. The meeting was conducted with the greatest freedom. There was no lack of persons to take part, and as one request after another for prayer and particular cases was presented, one or two brethren spontaneously led the devotions of the meeting, generally with special reference to the application. Though the meeting lasted for upwards of two hours, there was not the slightest indication of weariness, and many remained to the inquiry meeting afterwards.

an interesting feature of the meeting
 night was that which was presented
 an opportunity was offered to any
 recent converts to tell!

WHAT CHRIST HAD DONE FOR THEM.

after another to the number of 12 or
more and gave a joyful testimony to the
mercy and grace of Jesus as their Saviour.
One said, "I have come to Christ now and
am no longer as I was. I feel that my
sins have all been blotted out." Another
young man declared, "A few weeks
ago I was very wicked, but now I live in
the love of the Saviour. I would like to say
to those who are here to-night without
repentance that there is nothing in the world
that can compare to Him." Another said,
"I have no rest out of Christ. Cast
me at the foot of the cross. Take
me to Christ and He will save you. I
will thank Him for mine through life,
though I die, through eternity. The
wages of my soul to Christ is, 'Lord
have mercy on me and save me.' I
know Thou have me to do?"

preceding letter was written by Mr. [redacted] dy, not for our columns, but for his people, and we append his own most [redacted] conclusion :

Amid such scenes as these it is the privilege of your pastor to spend a few days, and it is his earnest desire that similar scenes may soon be witnessed in his own congregation, and in the community to which they belong. As he has already stated to you publicly there have been some indications recently of approaching revival. After comparing notes with Mr. Goodfellow he is more than ever convinced that he was right in saying so. What is needed is that you should *ask for it, wait for it, and look for it*. Brethren, lift your eyes to the hills whence cometh your aid. *Uplift in prayer for a harvest time.*

With the petition that we may soon be visited, I remain,

Your affectionate pastor,

E. A. McCurdy.

Antigonish, Jan. 22nd.

PERSONAL EXPENDITURE AND CHRISTIAN MISSIONS.

The great Missionary Societies of America are with scarcely an exception seriously embarrassed from want of funds. All expansion of missionary effort in some cases has been prohibited. The recall of missionaries has in others been all but ordered. The following article from the *New York Weekly Times*, was written in view of these facts, and though designed for the Christian public of the United States, is quite capable of an application nearer home.

“The question of personal expenditure is of supreme importance in the face of the reports which reach us that the contributions for the year 1874 towards the charitable and missionary work of the churches has fallen off one third, and that it is imperative upon the managers of these Christian and philanthropic efforts to recall a corresponding number of laborers, thus leaving the ignorant and helpless, who are imploring us for aid, to their sad condition. We pray and labor that we may consume upon ourselves. Is it surprising that things do not always go well with us? God comes to judgment practically declaring to us that we shall reap as we have sowed. We sow sparingly, and reap small things. Our business is conducted, not that the result may glorify God and benefit our fellow-creatures, but that we may live in style, and be upside with the world. We pray for our brother at home, or in heathendom, but we don't divide the dollar with him, for we must keep it so as to adorn our persons and homes. The widows and orphans, who are the wards of the Christians, are left to