

formed has increased in strength and numbers, and is in every respect in a flourishing condition.

During the same week, I attended the monthly conference meeting at Granville Street Church, and on mentioning to the Pastor and deacons who welcomed me among them after the service, our wishes for the soldiers, and adding that I thought of lecturing for the projected "Home," they most cordially offered me the use of the church for a Lecture. Shortly after, the North Baptist Church made the same kind offer, and the church in Hurd's Lane followed. Then it was intimated to me that if I should ask the committee of the Young Men's Christian Association for the loan of their lecture-room, it would probably be willingly given.

Having so far met with encouragement, we thought it time to secure a house; but this proved a matter of greater difficulty than we had imagined. At that season of the year, empty houses were scarce; and I met with obstacles in other ways which I had not in the least anticipated. One building which appeared suitable, we had nearly concluded arrangements to take, when I incidentally mentioned to the landlord, our intentions with regard to the soldiers. To my astonishment, his countenance fell.