

thought not of it. A year or two after, Mr. Wesley met the chief of the society in Bristol, and inquired, 'How shall we pay the debt upon the preaching house?' Captain Foy stood up and said: 'Let every one in the society give a penny a week, and it will easily be done.' 'But many of them,' said one, 'have not a penny to give.' 'True,' said the captain; "then put ten or twelve of them to me. Let each of these give what they can weekly, and I will supply what is wanting.' Many others made the same offer. So Mr. Wesley divided the societies among them, assigning a class of about twelve persons to each of these, who were termed leaders.

"6. Not long after, one of these informed Mr. Wesley that, calling on such a one in his house, he found him quarrelling with his wife. Another was found in drink. It immediately struck Mr. Wesley's mind, 'This is the very thing we wanted. The leaders are the persons who may not only receive the contributions, but also watch over the souls of their brethren.' The society in London, being informed of this, willingly followed the example of that in Bristol, as did every society from that time, whether in Europe or America. By this means it was easily found if any grew weary or faint, and help was speedily administered. And if any walked disorderly they were quickly discovered, and either amended or dismissed.

"7. For those who knew in whom they had believed, there was another help provided. Five or six, either married or single men, met together at such an hour as was convenient, according to the direction of St. James, 'Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, and ye shall be healed.' And five or six of the married or single women met together for the same purpose. Innumerable blessings have attended this institution, especially in those