

this week, and this is the only evening I can spare. But it is almost too fierce a night to be out. How the wind howls! I guess I won't—but then," he reflected, "the man needs advice. He's in great spiritual danger. It seems to be a duty to go to him. Yes, I'll go."

He drew on his great coat, gloves and overshoes, and stalked out into the storm, saying to himself: "I'll go in Christ's name."

A walk of half an hour brought him to the door of Jasper Sinclair, who lived in another part of the city.

"Why, Mr. Busby, is it you?" the young man asked. "I am just as much surprised as I'm glad to see you this evening. I scarcely thought you would venture out through such a storm."

"It was the only evening of the week that I could spare, and I was so anxious to have a talk with you that I ventured," replied Harold, looking cordially into his host's eyes.

"Well, I'm truly glad to see you. It just happens that I'm at home," and he looked at his visitor a little guiltily.

Harold Busby was a humble worker in one of the missions of the city—a teacher in the Sunday school. While his natural gifts were meagre, his zeal for Christ was intense. Recently he had become acquainted with Jasper Sinclair, and had learned the story of his early training in his country home, but had also discovered that he was straying from the "old paths" in coming to the city. From the first acquaintance Harold had felt a deep interest in Sinclair, and determined to win him from his dangerous associations if he could. On this cold winter evening he had come for a friendly talk with the young man.

For several hours the two men conversed earnestly, and before they parted they knelt together in prayer.

"Good-night, Mr. Busby," said Sinclair, warmly clasping his visitor's hand. "You are the first man who has spoken to me on these subjects since I came to the city. I thank you for your friendly counsel and warning. Depend upon it, I shall not forget your words. And—and—" his voice trembled a little—"continue to pray for me. My danger is greater than I supposed."

What was the sequel to Harold's unselfish act that wintry night? A week later young Sinclair met him at the mission.

"Mr. Busby," he broke out, grasping Harold's hand, "I owe you everything. Your visit the other night set me to thinking, and I'm glad to say that God has opened my eyes and made me a new creature."

The speaker's face glowed, and Harold's voice choked as he tried to express his joy and gratitude.

"And now," continued Sinclair, "I want to be a worker. If I can help you in your mission work I am at your service."

"You are beginning in the right way my friend," said Harold.

Other important consequences followed young Sinclair's conversion. He became an effective worker in the mission, and was the means of bringing many to Christ, and these in turn brought others and thus the work spread until it was soon impossible for human wisdom to trace all the ramifying influences of grace that flowed from that winter night's good deed.

But there is one stream of influence that we may trace a little farther. A few years later Jasper Sinclair married a Christian girl and moved, for business reasons, to another city. He carried his earnest evangelistic spirit with him. One night, as he and his young wife were walking along a brightly lighted street, they met a young man with whom they had recently made acquaintance. He tried to avoid them, but Sinclair stopped and spoke.

"Whither away, Washburn in such a hurry?"

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some of the fellows who invited me to play some games with them."

"Lonely, are you?" asked Sinclair, cheerfully. "Come with us then. We've no engagement for this evening and wife and I would be glad to have a few games with you in our parlor. Come, friend Washburn; 'tis the coziest little parlor that ever you did spy," he added with a laugh.

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