

friends in another parish. Through his conversation and earnest prayers the whole family were awakened and brought to Christ. These became missionaries in the neighborhood; within a month large numbers were powerfully awakened, and in the months succeeding, in barns and school-houses and dwelling-places, hundreds sought and found peace.

In Ballymena the work began in April. The first convert was a lad of sixteen. The work here spread rapidly, and with wonderful power. Persons were struck with sudden conviction in the markets and streets. Business was almost suspended, and in scores of houses could be heard, day and night, the cry for mercy, the wrestling prayer, the song of praise, mingled with the glad shout of new-born souls. Groups in the fields and highways, in the streets and around open windows, listening to some word of exhortation, or joining in earnest prayer, gave evidence of deep and wide-spread interest in the matter of personal salvation.

In Coleraine the work began in one of the public schools. A boy was observed by the master to be under deep conviction, and he advised him to go home and call upon the Lord in private, sending with him another boy who had found peace the day before. The two turned into an empty house and knelt in prayer, and soon the troubled heart found rest in Christ. Immediately he turned back to the school-room, and going up to the teacher, said "Oh! Mr. —, I am so happy; I have the Lord Jesus in my heart." The simple testimony went straight to the hearts of the other pupils. Boy after boy slipped quietly out; and shortly after, when the master looked over the wall of the play-ground, he saw a number of his boys upon their knees silently praying. He turned back and said to the pupil who had first found peace, "Do you think you can go and pray with these boys?" The lad went at once, but no sooner did he begin to pray than the silent grief of the mourning ones broke into an exceeding bitter cry which reached the ears of the boys yet in the room, and seemed to pierce their hearts. As with one consent they fell upon their knees, and began to pray for mercy. The cry reached the ears of the girls in the room above, and soon they were all upon their knees, weeping and calling upon God. The sound reached the adjoining streets, and the passers by, recognizing it as the cry of those who "look upon Him whom they have pierced, and mourn," hurried in and joined their prayers with those of the children; and so the day passed, and not until eleven o'clock at night could the meeting be brought to a close. From this time the work spread like fire among stubble, and thousands were brought to God.

In the town of Belfast the work was, if possible, still more remarkable. Two young men from Connor visited Belfast for the purpose of telling what God had been doing in their native place. The work began at once; the whole city was moved. A prayer-meeting was held in the Botanical Gardens, at which not less than *thirty-five thousand* people were present. It is computed that *ten thousand souls* were converted in Belfast alone.

This blessed work grew in power from day to day. It spread all through the North of Ireland, through England, Scotland and Wales, and then gathering up its strength rolled, like a tidal wave, across the Atlantic, and