

## MEANS OF GRACE.

The work of the Lord has been revived in our midst. The indifferent and careless are sought out, and they are reasoned with about the salvation of their souls. Besides the usual supply of Ministers of the Gospel, we were highly favoured with the presence of the Rev. Messrs. Meikle and Gerrior, who are a host in themselves.

I had the pleasure of hearing Messrs. Meikle and Gerrior several times. Great interest was manifested in their meetings. People came from far and near to attend them. Their large tent was sometimes crowded to its utmost capacity. I was delighted to see the ministers of the different denominations co-operate with them. "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." They must indeed have felt that God was really present and blessing both them and the people over whom they were placed. Blessed results have followed the labours of these Evangelists. The congregations in the different churches have become larger and hundreds of men, women and children have professed conversion, and many more are anxiously inquiring their way to the Saviour.

The good seed sown from time to time is bringing forth fruit in some cases to perfection. It affords me the greatest pleasure to be continually dropping the good seed of the Word among the people whom I visit. I am always able to drop at least some tiny seed of Gospel Truth, and leave it there under the care of Him who can make even the wrath of man to praise Him. Good results have sometimes followed my humble efforts, even under unfavourable circumstances. I have good reason to exclaim, "No good thing has failed of all He promised!" On my first journey through the field in which I am labouring, I observed churches in which the sound of the Gospel was not heard for a long time, but now in some of these churches the glad tidings of salvation and the voice of prayer and praise are now heard at least weekly. This is a proof of the reality of the progress of religion amongst us, and the conquests that pure religion is making, and is an evidence that a gracious God is blessing the efforts which are put forth for the furtherance of the Truth.

Much remains yet to be done, as many are denied the possession of the Bible; the book which all equally need, and to which all are equally entitled; the book from which we have derived peace and comfort and joy; the book which has soothed and refreshed our spirits, often faint in our struggles with adverse circumstances; the book that will ultimately have free course and establish its dominion of light and blessedness from shore to shore, and in all realms, when from every land and from every lip anthems of praise shall ascend to God and to the Lamb.