

failed as yet to grasp this way of unity in the Spirit, or at all events to illustrate it.

And yet even with respect to those, we cannot but rejoice in their greater safety because of this unanimity on the part of the many, for they will have less temptation to doubt the correctness of the decision of the many. Formerly the sympathy of a considerable section of the Association tended to prevent speedy work being done with those who found themselves out of harmony with the spiritual. Indeed, several have not, up to this day, been healed of their wounds. Now this plea is gone, and so parties, who either have mistaken the real character of the experience represented by the Association or who have drifted into legalism in any direction, can with less apparent humiliation acknowledge the correctness of the decisions in their case and elect to remain in the Association, expecting sooner or later to understand the whole matter. In the meantime, without open dissent, they can accept the situation of learners, but not of teachers in or representatives of the movement.

Another feature of the camp-meeting was brought out by the testimony of several. We refer to the direct agency of the Holy Spirit in bringing individuals to the camp-meeting, against their decided preference. One party declared that he came to the camp-meeting as if to his funeral; so distasteful did the act appear to him. Indeed, he would not have come had he not realized that it was a case of spiritual life or death to him. But having come, he could gladly testify to us all that it had proved to be a case of eternal life. Others testified of coming hundreds of miles, in the face of financial and other difficulties, which they would not have faced but for the fact that they felt that not to come would be direct disobedience to God.

We do not in this allude to leading members of the Association, but to parties who were not expected by others to be present, some of whom indeed came for the first time to an Association camp-meeting. These object lessons, which in such a startling form teach the particular superintendence of our work

by the Holy Ghost, are precious indeed, and cannot fail to increase, if possible, our confidence in the divine character of the work in which we are engaged.

There were also present many who hungered and thirsted after righteousness, and came to the camp-meeting because they were not filled, and it was our glorious privilege to minister to their need. Public testimony, public and private teaching were used of God for their benefit, and they went not empty away.

Between seventy and eighty came from a distance to the camp-meeting, and together we rejoiced in God and gladly did His bidding in all the work He had prepared for us, and so retained His approval whilst there, and departing carried the well-done of the Master with us.

The weather, although excessively hot at first, was on the whole favorable. The surroundings were pronounced on by all as desirable, and the facilities for entertainment, although now and then threatening to be inadequate, yet in the end proved to be sufficient, and so we have nothing but pleasurable recollections of the physical accompaniments of the gathering.

On the last day it was found that we lacked fifteen dollars of the amount needed to pay all expenses, and so a fifteen-dollar collection was called for and in immediate response fifteen dollars and thirty-one cents were given. Not more than five or ten minutes of time was taken from public services to arrange the finances of the camp-meeting. Bro. Woodsworth, who has had so much to do in church finances, pronounced it one of the most beautiful, financial incidents of his life. A couple of collections had been previously taken up at the request of parties who could not remain to the end; thus the thirty-five dollars needed to meet all demands were forthcoming with scarcely a ripple on the surface of the meetings. What a bagatelle is the money question in carrying on the work of the Lord!

In spite of the still greater distance of the site of the camp-meeting from the United States, several of our American friends cheered us with their presence,