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It was a bright and beautiful day, a joyful experience, one that can never be forgotten. The memories of childhood's home are so indellibly () traced on the mind and heart that nothing could erase them. You feel if you could only return to that home, your Christian life would once more be what it was and ought to be. But you came away to a different atmosphere and a changed environment. You did not bring your church letter with you to your new home. Growing cold yourself, you imagined that all the world was growing cold likewise.

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"It is worse than foolish to attempt to lead the Christian life, without being connected, actively, with some church. Bring your church letters with you to your new homes; you will find them sure anchors in a time of trouble, in every storm of life. In this regard, a Catholic fool is a fool in a cage; a Methodist fool is a fool with strings on him; a Presbyterian fool is a fool under restrictions; but a Baptist fool is a fool at large, and the biggest fool of them all.

"A little girl was once rummaging in her mother's trunk and, finding what was to her a curious document, ran to 🕻 her parent with the cry: 'Oh, mother, I've found your religion in your trunk! Don't leave your religion in your trunk, or in your home-church, miles and miles away, but allow it to be near enough to you to be a vital factor in our daily lives.

"If you were going on a journey, ou would not fail to tell a dear friend farewell. And yet you leave Jesus Christ, your best friend, without a You slipped away from Him, like a coward, in the shadows and darkness. You backsliders are in just as miserable a state as the sinner under conviction of his sin. Yet some of he most precious promises in scriptire are addressed to you. 'Return unto me, and I will heal your backsliding.' Where are thou, unconverted sinner? God misses you. The text was first uttered when God was searching for our first parents after their sin. In spite of your sin which grives Him, God loves you and wants your cooperation. The question 'Where art thou?' is not that of an angry policeman with a club, looking for a criminal, but that of a loving father, grieved because his child has gone astray. Realize and appreciate the unselfish love of God's people and the unbounded leve of God. Come back to Him. Make answer to His question, Where art thou? 'Here am I.'

His numerous friends will be glad to earn that Dr. Hulten has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to take part in tenight's services. Dr. McDaniel will deliver a sermon each night until next Wednesday.

Two young men professed acceptance of Christ last night, and many asked to be prayed for. The deep interest which is being aroused was unmistakably evidenced in the heartiness with which the entire congregation sang the familiar hymns used. "How Firm a Foundation." "There is a Fountain Filled With Blood," and "Alas! and Did My Saviour Bleed," stirred the congregation to its depths, and scarcely one failed to join in.

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