

men set to work vigorously to serve the Lord. Some saw the needs of the work so very, very strongly that they ~~were~~ worked far beyond their strength and worked themselves into a nervous breakdown or into an early grave. All this work ^{Others worked on} ~~inc~~ ^(inc) ~~gone~~ at a steady pace through life and left a great record of accomplishment. A certain number simply felt that they had settled into an easy routine of preparing sermons and delivering them, performing the proper ceremonies, giving dignity to the weddings, funerals, ~~and~~ etc., and so forth, but also becoming lazy and doing a comparatively small amount of work. It was an easy life for many but there were comparatively few ~~in~~ ^{who} faced with any great problem as to what church they ~~should~~ should apply to or how they should become started. During ^{Pasticularly during the last fifty years there has been a} tremendous change. Just about every one of ~~us~~ ^{our} big denominations has been taken ~~in~~ ^{over} by those who have no faith in the Bible, no belief in a divine Christ, many not believing in a supernatural God at all. Most of our students do not come to us from a church in which they have grown up and into the ministry of which they desire to continue. The bulk majority of our students have been converted in college ~~and~~ or elsewhere. Many of them have a burning desire to serve the Lord but little contact with established churches. There are no great number of established churches looking for young men to ~~fill~~ ^{fill} their pulpits with which we have connection, though we do have with a few.

[Here tell the story of Moody and his Sunday school]

One of our graduates about twenty years ago went to a section ^{area} of the country in which no church that was ~~preaching~~ ^{preaching} ~~the Gospel~~ ^{the Gospel}. He went from door to door selling semetery lots. As he talked he asked if whether they ~~would~~ would like to start a Bible study. Soon he got a group together that started a Bible study and which he built up into a church. Not everyone has the initiative and enterprise to do this sort of thing. I wish I knew a thousand men who would go ~~in~~ ^{into} sections of the country where there is little preaching of the ~~Word~~ ^{Word} of God, ^{and}