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# WELSH REVIVAL MOVEMENT.

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## CONTINUED SPREAD.

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Our Pontypridd Correspondent telegraphs: To-day Mr. Roberts opened a three days' mission at Caerphilly, a few miles beyond Pontypridd, and the centre of a great industrial and pastoral district. Rain fell in torrents, but the attendance from far and near, by rail, motors, and every other available convenience, was enormous.

There were many scenes of pathos, and when a young woman prayed with importunate earnestness and unadorned simplicity for the conversion of her father and mother and sister the scene was one never to be forgotten by those who witnessed it. Others were engaged in worship when she commenced, but every voice was hushed before many moments had passed, and the emotional fervour which followed was overwhelming.

In one place a man had taken a contract for enlarging a public-house. He attended a service, yielded to the appeals, and left resolute and radiant. The next morning he said to his workmen: "Not another stroke for this job. You can do as you like; but not a halfpenny will I take for the labour I have spent on it."

As another indication of the constraining influence of the revival it is worth noting that to-night an informal appeal has been addressed to all licensed victuallers to close at six o'clock, so that the work may have free course.

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Another correspondent states that the revival movement has spread to Barmouth. It commenced a fortnight ago in the Wesleyans' young people's prayer meeting. Afterwards the Rev. Gawynoro Davies, Calvinistic Methodist minister, called a council of the Free Church ministers and deacons, and it was decided to hold prayer meetings every night.

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