

the nails, the matted hair, have disappeared, crowded streets cover the place, and here and there dwells a humble Christian family, whose home is consecrated by the reading of the Scriptures, prayer, and singing of sweet Gospel hymns. What hath God wrought !

The work was commenced by Mr. Charles E. Faithful, and then carried on by him and Mr. Fenn, and from 1876 by Mr. and Mrs. Fenn, having for their fellow-helpers several ladies, who for the love of souls have joined them without salary or promise from man, but trusting in the Lord for the supply of their need.

The work at the present time occupies premises in three localities : 1. The Glorieta de Quesedo ; 2. Calle Trafalgar ; 3. The Barrio de Argüelles.

In the Glorieta there is the preaching-place, holding from two hundred to two hundred and fifty people. The meetings on Sundays are usually full, though no boards or announcements are permitted by Government, and the attendance at week-night services is often one hundred and fifty at the prayer-meeting and at the exposition of the Scriptures. Here, as already said, many precious souls have received Christ Jesus the Lord ; scores during the past eighteen years have finished their course with joy and gone to be with Him, whom they loved on earth, and for whom they suffered not a little. More than a hundred in fellowship to-day are following them. It is expected of them that they should labor for the salvation of others, hence they largely distribute tracts, it being a condition that prayer should go with every tract. More than ten persons have been in this way brought to the truth. Others teach children in the Sunday-schools, and all are charged upon coming into communion to maintain the honor of the Gospel by seeking to live as disciples of Christ.

Though a poor people, their liberality in contributing for their sick and poorer members, and toward the expenses of the meeting, abounds—fruit unto God. The language of 1 Cor. 6 : 9–11 applies as truly to many of these as to the corrupt Corinthians saved by the grace of God.

Besides the meeting-place in the Glorieta there are three schools there—for elder boys, little boys, and infants. These with the two schools for girls, in Trafalgar Street, and the mixed school of Argüelles come daily under Bible instruction from the lips of their teachers or the other workers. In these six schools there were last month five hundred and fifty-six children, and more than six thousand have been instructed from the beginning. Here is a vast field sown with the knowledge of the Scriptures, and such a knowledge as not commonly attained in more favored countries. May the Holy Spirit breathe life into their souls ! These children pay 10*d.* or 2*s.* (the infants only 5*d.*) per month, and all who can read are expected to buy the Bible at 10*d.* Not a few even of the smallest have died in the Lord, and about twenty are in church communion, some of whom are among the best teachers.

From what has been said, it can easily be imagined that there is a wide