

Moody and Mr. Sankey took an active part, and they also assisted in the exercises of a contemporaneous meeting in the Tolbooth Parish Church (Assembly Hall), on the other side of the Castle Hill. At all these meetings there were many people who could not gain admittance because of the crowd, and who had to go away disappointed, while a good number that got within the doors had to undergo the discomfort of standing throughout the whole of the exercises. So much, however, was the opportunity prized of hearing these now well-known American evangelists, that this inconvenience was considered of no moment. It is probable that the stay in Edinburgh of Messrs. Moody and Sankey will be much prolonged, the desire to see and hear them becoming more and more widespread and earnest. Great good it is said on all hands, has been effected by their means, and hence the desire to keep them in the city as long as possible.

There was a union prayer meeting in the Free Assembly Hall at noon on Monday again, and it was, like all that have gone before it so well attended that many who sought admission failed in obtaining it. The services were of the usual character. Mr. Moody, in the course of his most interesting address, referred in terms of hearty satisfaction to the meeting of young men held in the same hall on Sabbath morning. He spoke of it as one of the most touching sights he had ever witnessed to see them rise *en masse* when he asked who were willing to co-operate in the effort to reach the hearts of their fellows that could not on Sunday get admission to the meeting. On Friday next it is intended that those who were present on Sabbath morning shall assemble in another place while Mr. Moody is holding the meeting with the young men that failed in hearing him on Sunday, and implore the Divine blessing on his efforts in their behalf. Mr. Moody remarked that in other places the young men had been generally reached in the second week of the meetings. Here it was the third week, but the delay had been compensated for by the widespread effect among them. He regarded this as a signal answer to prayer. It is under consideration to hold meetings in some of the poorer parts of the town, if they can be arranged as there is no concealing the fact that, however much good has been accomplished amongst other classes, the poorer part of the community have not been reached.

THE ALL-DAY PRAYER MEETING

Is thus described :

There was an "all-day prayer-meeting" in the Free Assembly Hall on Wednesday. It began at ten in the morning and lasted without intermission till four in the after-

noon. There was then an interval of two hours, after which the meeting was resumed in churches in the northern part of the town and continued till about nine o'clock. The attendance throughout was exceedingly large during all the day. Of those who got admittance they were considered fortunate who procured seats, many having to content themselves with standing room, and not too much of that, in the passages. At ten o'clock the services were opened by the Rev. J. H. Wilson, the subjects on which he spoke being praise and joy. These were taken up and shortly discussed by other gentlemen till eleven o'clock, when the Rev. Dr. A. Thompson addressed the meeting on the promises. This subject in turn was dwelt on for an hour by several speakers, and from twelve till two o'clock, a union prayer meeting was held, the exhortations being opened by Mr. Moody. At two o'clock the subject of Christian work was begun by the Rev. Professor Charteris, and taken up by other gentlemen. From three o'clock till four was occupied with an address by Mr. Moody on heaven. He followed a similar course to that pursued by him at some previous meetings, proceeding step by step on Scripture foundations to establish what he wished to convince his hearers. On such a theme, as may be supposed, he was eloquent, and the audience seemed to be deeply touched by what he said to them. The numerous passages to which he referred were read by several of the ministers present on the platform, to save him the labour involved in turning up so many texts, and also to economise time. Frequently in the course of the day the meeting engaged in prayer, and sometimes in silent prayer with no one leading. A great number of hymns were also sung, some of them by Mr. Sankey alone, others by him singly, with the exception of the chorus in which all joined, and others again by everybody in the meeting. At six o'clock meetings were opened in St. Bernard's Parish Church, St. Bernard's Free Church, and St. Stephen's Church where gospel addresses were delivered by Mr. Moody and a number of city ministers and laymen. These meetings were very largely attended, mainly by persons residing in the neighbourhood.

As thus it has continued from day to day; immense audiences gathering and continuing together with unwearied interest.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER.

The requests for prayer have been so numerous that the reading of them in full would have occupied the whole hour, and it has been found necessary to tabulate them and read them out in groups, thus:—