

ing in the Lord's vineyard, at the slightest intimation of our Divine Guest and Companion.

SUCCESS GUARANTEED.—Complete success in the work of God is absolutely certain, if we abide in Christ. It is not dependent on our physical exertions or qualifications, nor yet on our mental ability, either in repose or activity, but depends on a life of faith. To the enquiry as to how we might work the works of God, Jesus replied emphatically: "This is the work of God, that ye believe in Him whom He hath sent." And elsewhere He positively taught, that simply to abide in Him was to bring forth much fruit. Fruit-bearing follows as a necessary consequence, and that in sufficient quantity to satisfy the most stringent requirements of God's law.

WHY WE THUS MINUTELY WRITE—That those who have like victories of faith to recount may rejoice with us, and together we may lift up the glad shout, "Now thanks be to God who always causeth us to triumph," and that any who may have suffered partial or complete defeat at such points in their soul's history, may be encouraged to take up afresh their weapons of warfare, recommence the good fight of faith, and lay hold of the promised victory.

THE HOLINESS MEETINGS.—We were enabled to attend many of them during the month, and were glad to notice a marked improvement in every respect. The faith of many has emerged from recent trials, stronger because of them. The tendency to depend on others is lessened, and, correspondingly, the habit of reposing on God alone is strengthened and confirmed, securing more fully that perfect individuality which is one of the beauties of holiness. Meanwhile unity in the Spirit has become more and more a realized fact, whilst the numbers in attendance have increased, and the Lord is adding continually to the number that are saved.

WANTED POWER.—A brother passing through the city attended one of the meetings, and told us that he was on his way to visit an unconverted brother, and wanted the help of the friends to obtain

all the spiritual power necessary to accomplish the mission, which he believed the Holy Spirit had called him to undertake. Almost whilst speaking i.e. received the desire of his heart, and went on his way rejoicing, filled with the Spirit, to do all the will of God in this matter.

WHY NOT TAKE ALL.—Another brother told us that he had made a resolution to work the ensuing week more efficiently for God and souls. He came to the meeting to get more power, and asked our sympathy and prayers in his quest. He was exhorted to change his request from more power to all the power God wished him to have. He promptly complied and adopted this more scriptural and God-honoring one, and ere he resumed his seat he realized that his prayer was heard, and the hunger of his soul satisfied.

THE REASON WHY.—Many who cry out, and ever and anon agonize for more power, fail to secure the desire of their heart because, that whilst Jesus is eager to bestow Pentecostal fulness of the Spirit, they are virtually dishonoring His royal character by striving to have Him dole out His rich bounties as if niggardly in spirit. If one would but look steadily at the subject he would find that to ask for something less than God offers is dishonoring to the glorious Giver. "Herein is My Father glorified that ye bear much fruit."

GLORYING IN THE CROSS.—Many Christians speak of taking up their cross when testifying even in small gatherings, but a sister, one of the most retiring of her sex, told us how the indwelling of the Holy One, in all His glorious fulness, seemed to put in her the eager desire, when witnessing for Christ, even in the largest assemblies, to turn round and face the audience. She wanted all to hear her testimony concerning the power of Christ to save and keep her saved to the uttermost.

A GOODLY RULE.—May not the desire, or lack of desire, to have as many as possible hear our testimony for Jesus, "which is the spirit of prophecy," be considered a proper rule or gauge con-