

said, "Tarry in Jerusalem until ye receive power from on high." Suppose Peter had said, "Lord, do you not think we have already received the Spirit," he would probably have said, "Yes, but you are going to receive it in power; it will be poured out on you without measure, and so much of living power that the world shall not be able to stand against it." So they might have said they received a blessing twice. You very often hear said that a second blessing has been received. If so, let us go in for a third or even a fourth, and that is perfectly scriptural. Peter and John were arrested and brought before the Sanhedrim, who gave them this instruction: Preach as much as you like, but not in His name, because we crucified Him, and you seek to bring blame upon us and to fill Jerusalem with false doctrine. Some men will get on very well with that instruction. They go on month after month without preaching in His name. Peter and John could not do that, because they had not a barrel of sermons on history, geology and such topics to fall back upon; and so they had to preach in His name or be silent. In the fourth chapter of Acts it is recorded that the blessing was again showered on them. Peter and John are filled again, and began to preach with boldness. When a minister is filled with the Holy Ghost, he will be filled with boldness and will not be afraid of the wealthy men of the congregation. Pentecost was not a day of miracles which is not to be repeated; for we have had Pentecostal showers right along since then. We can have them now if we will. It is perfectly proper to pray for the place to be shaken and for the Holy Ghost to fall upon us. I believe the Holy Spirit dwells with every true believer, because Christ said, "He is here and shall abide with you." At the same time the Spirit must have been in the disciples after the time spoken of in the second chapter of Acts; yet in the fourth chapter it mentions that the place was shaken, and they were filled again and were full of boldness. At the time spoken of in the tenth chapter of Acts ten years had passed since the disciples were filled, as recorded in the second and fourth chapters. Peter is told to go to tell Cornelius words by which he shall be saved. Peter says that "while speaking the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning." We are satisfied with too little. Take a church of a thousand; if twelve join it is thought a great occasion. It is said that one shall chase a thousand; but now it takes a thousand to chase one. I believe if we look for Pentecostal showers we will have them. If there is to be a great work in Toronto it must begin with God's people. In answer to prayer God can do a work here such as has not been done for ten years. If we are willing to take all God wants to give us, He will fill us full to running over. If I have not grace enough to keep temperate and live an honorable, upright life, and be what a husband and father should be, the less I say about the Son of God the better. I must have grace enough for myself and overflowing to be ready for Christ's work. Then it is that God will use you and bless you. There will not be much work done so long as we lack power and freedom in the church. Let us look for great things. Let us ask God to fill us full. Elijah and Elisha went up from Gilgal to Jericho together. On the way some of the prophets came to Elisha and said, "Do you know your master is to be taken away to-day?" Hold your peace, I know all about it." Presently Elijah turned to him, saying, "You stay here, while I go over Jordan." But Elisha wished to watch Elijah, and said, "I will not leave thee." As they traveled Elijah turned to Elisha and said, "What do you want? Make your request known and it shall be granted you." And Elisha said, "I pray thee let a

double portion of thy spirit fall upon me." Let us, brethren, ask for a double portion. And Elijah said, "Thou hast asked a hard thing; nevertheless if thou see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee, but if not it shall not be so. They linked arms and came down to Jordan. Elijah struck the river with his mantle; Jordan knew him, and the two passed over dry-shod. Fifty of the prophets had come up and they saw the two men walking into the desert. All at once, suddenly, there came a chariot of fire, and before Elisha could fasten his eyes on him, Elijah went up into heaven. Elisha saw the horses of fire and the chariot of fire. Elijah's mantle fell from him. Everything of the world will look very small to you, brethren, when the Spirit of God enters your hearts. Elisha took up Elijah's mantle and came back to Jordan. And the fifty prophets were there; they turned pale. He walked to the banks of the river, wondering how he should get across. He had no Elijah with him to tell the waters to cease flowing. There he stands. He had never performed a miracle up to that time that we know of. He said, "Where is the God of Elijah?" and he struck Jordan with the mantle; the river knew him, the waters parted, and Elisha passed through dry-shod. And the prophets said, "The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha." It was the double portion. You will find that Elisha performed just twice the number of miracles Elijah performed. Some of us are getting on in life and our eyes are growing dim. Would you not like to rejoice in the Spirit the rest of your days, to make a glorious sunset of life and leave a stream of golden glory behind you? Some believers lose their testimony and their spiritual power; while others are advancing because they are a living power. May the Spirit of God come upon us, filling us full, and giving us power to testify for Christ.

A brief prayer meeting followed.

EVENING MEETING.

The evening meeting was for men only.

MR. MOODY gave out "Come, oh come to Me." Referring to this hymn, he said: When I was preaching in Baltimore there was a man who came to the meeting—it was a meeting just like this—all men, and when he came they were singing this hymn. He said he never heard anything so foolish in his life as to hear a lot of men just singing "Come, come, come." But the hymn did its work. After the meeting was over he tried to get the word out of his mind and could not. He went into a public house, took a glass of whiskey, thinking he would drown the word. But he could not drown it. Christ uttered that word "Come" eighteen hundred years ago, and you can't drown it. He took a second glass of whiskey, and a third. But he couldn't get the word out of his mind. He went to bed, and his very pillow seemed to be repeating it "Come, come, come." He got up and took the hymn-book and read the hymn through, and he said to himself that he must be a fool to let a thing like that bother him. But still he could not get rid of the word. He cursed himself for coming to the meeting, and declared he wouldn't come to another. But when the Spirit of God gets hold of a man it compels him to do many things, he wouldn't do if he had his own way. He came to the meeting that night, and again the people were singing that hymn. There were eighty-eight persons who professed conversion that night. It happened that this was the eighty-eighth hymn, and he said afterwards that he had a good mind to come for-