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tend. Was the Holy Spirit poured out, did the Holy Spirit fall upon the Apostles and others at that memorable time? It was in fuch a manner and to fuch a degree, that they were, like a patient in the electric bath, as if immersed in it."

This electric bath is a pretty fancy, a happy invention for Mr. B; it is well he did not live before it was found out, for then what a fine thought would have been loft. Though the Holy Spirit fell upon, was poured out, yet, fays he, it was in fuch a manner and to fuch a degree, that they were like a patient in the electric bath, as if immerfed in it, that is, immerfed in the Holy Spirit. Most perfons, I suppose, when they read of the Holy Spirit falling upon any one, underftand it to mean the influence of that Spirit coming upon the foul; but Mr. B. fpeaks as if the Holy Ghoft, or his influence, fell on the outfide of the Apostles, and fo furrounded their bodies like an electric bath. And to show he intended this, he has put thefe words in large capitals, it " FILLED ALL THE HOUSE WHERE THEY WERE sitting." Then they were immerfed in fomething which filled the houfe; I ask, what was that fomething? In English it is expressed by the pronoun "it"-it filled the houfe; the Greek has no pronoun. Well, what is the antecedent to " it i" I anfwer, the word " found." The found, which was as a rushing mighty wind, filled all the house where they were fitting. The word in the Greek. is nyor, an echo, a reverberating found. Mr. B.'s electric bath was, after all, nothing more than an ccho. He has been very filent about this electric fluid; either he did not know what it was, or he was not complaifant enough to tell us. The lofe, however, is not great ; we have found it out without him.

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