Description Of Cullis Holiness Meetings on Somerset Street in Boston, Massachusetts

In the sixth year of the work, a precious witness for Jesus as a present Savior from sin, of another city, visited Boston on business, and as one of the many wayside services given him of the Lord, met a little company of Christians, hungering and thirsting for righteousness, in Doctor Cullis's parlor. The meeting was so precious that Doctor Cullis continued it from week to week on Tuesday afternoon. It grew in numbers and power steadily until the place was overcrowded. When the Lord gave Doctor Cullis his present residence, No. 16 Somerset Street, the large double parlor, called in England the drawing room, was given up and furnished exclusively as a chapel for the Tuesday meeting. This room, though double the size of the former one, soon filled up and overflowed, and the passageways and stairways were occupied. Many, even ladies, who could not be seated, preferred to remain, though compelled to stand through the entire time, and not a few, for want of room, went away. Strangers from far and near, visiting Boston, sought out and attended these meetings. Ministers of all denominations and from distant places, in considerable numbers frequented it.

All this, however, would have been little indeed, but for the crowning glory of the meetings, the crowning glory of the work, the power of the Spirit manifested in all. Ministers and people were blessed from week to week. Not a few of the dear chosen servants of the Lord, like the eloquent Apollos, taught in the home of Aquila and Priscilla, learned in the home of Doctor Cullis the way of the Lord more perfectly. Souls also were converted there. Testimonies to these facts came out frequently in the meetings, and yet more so in letters and personal conversation.

Note: The sixth year of the work would have been 1870. These meetings were designed in the style of Phoebe Worall Palmer that Cullis had attended starting as early as 1862.

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