

"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Tim. i. 15.

PRAYER ANSWERED.

DURING a recent noonday meeting, a young man was led to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and at once decided to write to his mother (a christian) in Ireland, telling her of the great change. He did so, and a few days after he received a letter which had crossed his on the way. This letter was full of breathings of faith that God had either answered her prayer or was about to do so. She had assurance; she stated that God had heard her many prayers. By this time the tidings of answer has reached her. We have during the past year been frequently cheered by the occurrence of similar results. May we yet see more of this.

YOUNG MEN'S MEETING.

IN Saturday evening last our Young Men's Meeting was of deep interest. It was conducted as a testimony meeting, and the usual time had to be extended to allow the testimonies to be given. The Lord was with us.

A NEED.

"NE very efficient part of our railroad work is the visitation of engines and cabooses, making the acquaintance of the men and giving them papers and magazines with which to improve the time when off duty at the end of a division away from home, and where there is no reading room. Our supply of periodicals is not sufficient to meet the demands of this work. Our friends can help us greatly by donating the papers, magazines, etc., that they have read and don't care to save. If you have such and will notify the Secretary by postal card, he will be glad to send for them, or they may be left at Shaftesbury Hall, addressed, 'for railway work.'

WE RECOGNIZE IT ALL.

A BROTHER SECRETARY writes us a strong letter, calling us to task for our strictures on "Apron and Paper Cap Entertainments," and he encloses us the following—

- "Our mission is to
1. hold of young men.
 2. GET their confidence and respect
 3. them to accept Christ.
- and after that end is reached, we want to see them
4. GET into the church.
 5. spiritual strength.
 6. interested in the welfare of others.

We use many methods to do this and try to go through the entire list, not stopping with the first one or two points. Do we fully recognise the importance of this?"

We heartily endorse every line of this extract. We hope, God willing, to accomplish all it speaks of. *But* we fail to see the place such an entertainment as that to which we took exception has in any one of the six heads into which the "Mission" is divided. We also admit that we have to use "*many methods*," but we emphatically deny that oyster suppers, comic songs, comic readings, or any similar entertainments have any *scriptural* place in the methods to be adopted.

We most sincerely pray for the day when our Brethren throughout the whole land may be led to place upon every method the Divine spirit-level, the Word of God. This is the only way to see the true appearance of such work in the sight of God our Master, and we feel assured that were this regularly done, some of the *many methods* would be cast aside as crooked and perfectly unfit for use.

THE PRIEST'S DUTY.

And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean—Ezek. xlv. 23.

"I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no Saviour."

Isaiah xliii. 11.