

Call ye upon Him when He is near.

Isa. lv. 6.

in. The child had wandered upon the track and fallen asleep there, watched by its faithful companion, the dog, who seeing the train approach had done his best to save the child; but failing, had covered it with his own body and died with it. Faithful unto death! He died in the effort to save Young man, does not this true tale awaken in your heart some thought of one who, seeing your position of danger took the place of death, that by dying you might live? The dog died, but he did not save. Jesus Christ died to save, and He is "mighty to save." Had that dog succeeded in saving the child, it would have been prized and caressed. Many would like to possess Him. "What think ye of Christ?" Do you value Him? Do you long to possess Him? He is ready—waiting—willing to save you, and to become yours, and to have you become His.

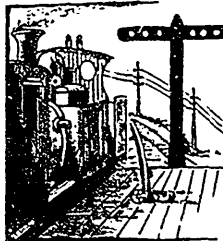
—*Shaftesbury Hall Bulletin.*

"THE UP AND DOWN LINE."

A SERMON.

"Enter ye in at the straight gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."—Matt. vii. 13, 14.

UP LINE.



HE ARCHITECT of the line was the Infinite Jehovah. He saw our first parents in ruin, and drew up the plan, and gave the dimensions of an entirely "new

and living way.

THE GREAT CONTRACTOR

was Christ Jesus. He gave himself, agreed

to satisfy Infinite justice, and cried out, "save them from going down to the pit, for I have found a ransom."

THE TIME TABLE

—the Holy Bible—with a complete map of the main line, and all the branch lines, with full particulars as to the time of all trains, when to start, where to start; in fact, the instructions are so plain, that "the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein." The time table also contains the Company's *Panoramic Guide*, with all the scenery from the mouth of the "horrible pit" to the "gates of heaven."

THE BOOKING OFFICE

is Calvary. Rich people, poor people, and middle-class people all book here. Gentlemen in broadcloth and beggars in rags, ladies in silks and poor half-starved, penniless, homeless, friendless prostitutes, all book at the cross.

TICKETS ALL FREE.

Thank God for free tickets. Notwithstanding the length and cost of the line, all tickets are to be had "without money and without price."

THE ENGINE

Is our church organization. The Christian Church has boiler and pipes, piston and cylinder, connecting rods and cranks, with flanged wheels, and that which is necessary to keep us going in the right way.

THE CARRIAGES

Are the various places of worship. Nearly all companies have what they call family carriages, in which a whole family may travel a long journey without changing. May the Lord hasten the time when the ends of all carriages will have a way through, so that we may walk and talk to each other on the journey.

Behold the half was not told me.

1 Kings x. 7.