

For the Lord giveth wisdom : out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.—Prov. ii. 6.

in his address that he had no recollection at any previous time in our history when so many young men were to be found associated with us in efforts to benefit their fellows. This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes.

LEADERS OF MEN.

SUCH was the title of the fifth lecture of our Members' Course of Parlor Lectures, delivered on Thursday evening last. The Parlor was filled with an attentive audience, almost exclusively Young Men. Those who knew the ability of Dr. Sutherland were prepared for an able and an instructive lecture, but the remark made by one gentleman on leaving the hall, fully represented the views of all, "I never listened to a more able or more instructive lecture." A wish was expressed that the lecture should be repeated in our large Hall. Perhaps we may be able to induce the Lecturer to consent.

The next lecture will be delivered on Tuesday evening, 26th inst., by Rev. Prof. Burwash, of Victoria College, Cobourg, the subject being, "Bricks and the Bible." We had the pleasure of listening to this lecture in another city, and we advise all Young Men and others interested in Bible research, to make it a point to attend.

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Every Monday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL INVITED.

WHAT NEXT?

CLIP the following from the *Bulletin* of an Association in the State of New York:—

"LEAP-YEAR SUPPER.—The leap-year supper, held in Y. M. C. A. hall, on Monday evening, and conducted by the young men, was a success. The young men who waited on the table wore aprons and paper caps, and made first-class waiters, receiving many compliments from the ladies. It is proposed in a few weeks to have an oyster supper conducted in the same manner."

This is what we call "being all things to all men" (*and women too*) with a vengeance. We do hear Paul say, "We are fools for Christ's sake," but we have no thought that Paul would consider the cause of Christ as being advanced by such folly as the above article refers to. If some anxious young man had strayed into that Y. M. C. A. hall on that particular night, he certainly would hesitate before asking spiritual advice from a young man wearing "an apron and a paper cap;" and if he had ventured to ask the question, "What must I do to be saved?" we can readily imagine the questioned one as hesitating for a few minutes while he should lay aside said *paper cap and apron*, before he would give the only and all-important answer to the question.

We are told that the world is "getting better." Well, we shall not venture a discussion on this subject, but if such work is an *improvement*, we are glad that we did not live in the evil days.

May the Lord give us true wisdom and grace to keep from any such nonsense, and such parodies on the name and work of a Young Men's *Christian* Association.

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.—Psalm xxxiv. 18.

There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness.—Prov. xxx. 12.