

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

John xiv. 1.

## INCIDENTS FROM THE WORK.

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SOME weeks ago a young stranger entered the office, and asked whether we could aid him in securing employment. There was on the face of the applicant a look of sadness, and even want. We spoke to him for some time, and finally drew from him the fact that he had been in Toronto for two weeks. He came from a Western village hoping to secure employment, but had failed. His means (two or three dollars) had been spent and he was now homeless, penniless, and for over forty-eight hours had been without food; yet he did not ask anything beyond help to secure work. Learning from him that he could return to his old employer, we offered to send him home that evening, and at once secured a ticket and also provided him with a hearty meal, and give him a small amount to procure food on the journey. When we expressed our intention, he said "I never expected to find such friendship shown, but you may depend upon it I shall not forget the act." We then entered into conversation concerning the Lord Jesus Christ, and as we remarked that Jesus is a more reliable friend than man could be, he smiled and said: "Ah, sir I know that, if I had not accepted the Lord Jesus I think I should have made way with myself this week."

Thus unwittingly we had been helping a poor disciple. He left us and we heard nothing for over 5 weeks, when the following letter was received:

DEAR SIR:

You will no doubt remember me when you see the enclosed, as the young man who applied to you some time ago. I would have sent the money sooner but it is part of the first money I have earned and received since I returned home so that you will understand the cause of the delay. I thank you very much for your kindness

which might have been as far as you knew misplaced, and there is a verse in my mind as I write which tells me of One who will remember you when He shall say "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me." May God bless you and prosper you is the prayer of your brother in Christ.

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Just take a look into our safe. In one of the drawers you will see a six barrelled revolver and by its side 6 ball cartridges. What does it mean? Some few weeks ago a young man entered the Room and wished to see the Secretary. The stranger seemed to be in utter despair. Only a very few days had elapsed since he left a situation in an Eastern city. His testimonial were good, but he had given away to strong drink, and those few days dissipation had so reduced him, physically and mentally that he had decided to take his life. The pistol was purchased, but on his way to the banks of the Don, he had been stayed by the good hand of God, and led to the Rooms. After some conversation with him he gave up the pistol and it was with a feeling of relief and thankfulness that we took possession of it. We counselled and prayed with him and then secured a lodging for him. Two days after he was taken seriously ill, and we secured his admission to the Hospital where he remained a fortnight. In the meantime at his request we wrote his former employer, who answered, saying that he was so well satisfied with former service that he would again make a place for him if he returned. On his discharge from the Hospital, a ticket was secured and he is now again at his work. He left us, weeping bitterly at the thought of his past folly but we have occasion to believe with clearer views of his only safeguard.—Faith in Jesus Christ.

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Although this incident does not specially bear upon our Work for

Be not afraid, only believe.

Mark v. 36.