

LECTURES.

THE Second Lecture of our Regular Course will (D.V.) be delivered on Monday 21st inst., by Rev. Principal Grant, of Kingston. The subject chosen is one likely to interest, and the ability of the Lecturer is to well known to require further comment. The chair will be occupied by our President Hon. S. H. Blake. Plans are now open at the Hall. Members and others will do well to call early.

MEETINGS FOR BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER

Will (D.V.) be held at Shaftesbury Hall, during the coming fortnight according to the following programme :

FIRST WEEK.

Monday, November 21st.—“Our dependence on the Holy Spirit for Light.—Rev. Canon Baldwin, of Montreal.

Thursday, November 24th.—“Our dependence on the Holy Spirit in Prayer.”—Rev. H. M. Parsons.

Friday, November 25th.—“Our dependence on the Holy Spirit in Service.”—Rev. John Potts, D.D.

Meetings held from 4 to 5.30 p.m.

THE OBJECT OF FAITH.

BELIEVE the Bible and thou shalt be saved. No. There is no such word written. It is “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.” Do not trouble yourself in the first instance about questions connected with the book of Genesis, or difficulties suggested by the book of Revelation. Let the wars of the Jews alone in the meantime, and dismiss Jonah from your mind. Look to Jesus: get acquaint’d with Him:—listen to His word:—believe in Him:—trust Him:—obey Him. This is all that is asked of you in the first instance. After you have believed on Christ and taken Him as your Saviour, your Master, your Medel, you will not be slow to find out that “all Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, and for re-

proof, and for correction, and for instruction in godliness.” You may never have all your difficulties solved, or all your objections met, but you will be sure of your foundation; you will feel that your feet are planted on the “Rock of Ages.”—Dr. Gibson.

TICKETS, PLEASE.

TICKETS—tickets, please,” said the guard one dark night, as we stopped for a few minutes at a wayside station before we reached the great city. Instantly every one pulled out the required ticket. The guard was satisfied. I don’t suppose he looked to see what sort of coats we had on, or if we looked respectable. I fancy he didn’t look at us at all. All he wanted was the ticket: and certain it is no one in the carriage attempted to escape without a ticket by pleading his *respectability*, and that he was *So-and-so*, an influential individual. What a fool he would have been, seeing the railway regulation distinctly stated that he *must have a ticket!* Foolish as it may seem, this is just what ever so many are doing on the *big journey*. They are going up to the bar of God intending to plead their *religiousness* and their *respectability*. God has plainly declared in his time-table, “When I see the blood I will pass over you” (Ex. xii. 13). And yet they hurry on to the bar of God as if it was written, “When I see you are religious I will pass over you,” or, “When I see your name on the communion roll I will pass over you.” What madness! God will not allow himself to be made out a liar in that way. What he has written he will hold by. Reader, are you washed in the blood of Christ? In the great day God will make inquisition for blood (Ps. ix. 12). When he inquires for it, what will you do? Will you point to your church attendance, and church membership, and your attention to religion? It won’t do. God is not going to put out a new Bible in the judgment-day. If not sheltered by the blood you must perish!—*Selected.*