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BLESSING.

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful:

But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

The ungodly are not so; but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

CHRIST, vs. THE WORLD.

We have before us a copy of the "Year Book" published by the International Executive Committee, at New York. In it appears the Report of one of their Travelling Secretaries, who spent a few weeks in Canada, and his report shews how easy it is for a person making a flying visit, to mould his impressions of the Country and its CHRISTIAN Work, according to his own view. Thereport on the "Dominion of Canada," reads—

"In most of the Associations, the work seems to be almost wholly religious, and the mental, moral and social appliances are but little availed of, and in consequence, the non-Christian young men are largely unreached."

After speaking of the need we have of a Dominion Secretary, to which we heartily agree, he adds—

"There are a number of active Association men in each of the Provinces who are really interested and anxious to promote the Association cause, and who would willingly sustain and efficiently co-operate with the Dominion Secretary in stimulating the

existing Associations to more definite work for young men, and in increasing the number of Associations."

We most gladly accept the charge made that our work is "almost wholly" religious. We are "CHRISTIAN" Associations, and we glory in the title. But to say that our Dominion Associations (as contrasted with those of other lands) largely fail to reach the non-Christian Young Men, and to attribute the failure to the almost wholly religious nature of our work, is, we claim a mistake. There is one thing we feel sure of, and that is, if a non-Christian Young Man is reached by a *wholly religious* Institution, the benefit to the Young Man is likely to be more lasting than if he is reached by a *semi-Religious* one. We venture to question whether the active Association Men of Canada *would* sustain a Dominion Secretary who believed that less of Christ and His Religion, and more of the World and its pleasures, should mark the work in Canada. We pray, and anxiously wait for the day, we believe not far distant, when *more aggressive work for Christ*, will be done IN CHRIST'S WAY, by our beloved brethren of the Associations both in Canada and the United States. May God speed the day.

THE TENT.

In speaking once more of the Work on the Exhibition Grounds, we desire to record our gratitude to God for answers to prayer. Before the work commenced, and during its continuance, prayer was daily offered, for propitious weather. Friends, *we believe* in prayer, and *we recognize* in the beautiful weather of the two weeks continuance of the exhibition, an ANSWER to prayer. Another answer was granted us in the large number who gathered to the