

HAVE FAITH IN GOD.



HAVING seen, when at the Railway Reception given at St. Thomas, that it would be of very great service to all R. R. men in Toronto to have a place of the kind here, and having also become acquainted with the fact that a large number of men who detest the liquor dens, and all their associations, and would gladly utilize a place where none of these moral evils are tolerated, have many hours of leisure time every day in Toronto, we asked ourselves can we not have it? Is not the work we are engaged in the Lord's work? If it is can we not make application to Him for the means to carry it on just as any employee goes to the store of his corporation for whatever material he needs to carry on the work which has been given him to do? And coming to the conclusion that it is the Lord's work, we prayed Him earnestly to reveal His will to us on the matter. After praying to Him for several days, on Friday 10th of March in the morning we asked the Lord that day to signify His will in the matter, and on that afternoon we received the following letter, from which we could only conclude that it is the Lord's will for us to have these means to carry on His work.

My Dear Brother in Christ Jesus,—

I received your note of the 7th inst., and the printed document relating to Railroad Y. M. Christian Association. I read it with much interest, especially the address of Mr. Devereaux of Cleveland at Boston in 1877. His narrative exhibits a grand truth that the Gospel is in truth the gospel of peace, as well as the power of God unto salvation to every one who truly believes the Divine testimony.

To aid in the good work to provide a similar class of means for the benefit of Railroad men, and others engaged in large manufacturing establishments, put me down

on your list as a subscriber for One Hundred Dollars; and I pray that the Lord will bless you in this, and all other labors to do good in the name of Jesus.

I am, yours fraternally,

JAMES LESSLIE.

Since receiving this we have not been without other indications of the Lord's favor on this project. The rooms are needed very much, and would prove a temporal boon to a large number if erected as they will be, in the most suitable locality for all purposes.

We doubt not but that many friends will be ready to help us in this matter, and those desiring to do so, may send their subscriptions or names to any member of our Railway Committee or to W. H. Howland, Esq., Chairman, J. O. Bennett, Treasurer, 322 Adelaide St. W., W. E. Burford, R. R. Sec., Shaftesbury Hall.

Any amount will be thankfully received, no matter how large or how small. It is the Lord's work and must be done, and we hope soon to be able to make an announcement similar to the following clipped from the Bulletin of the Buffalo R. R. Y.M.C.A.:

"We are also glad to see that our rooms are being more appreciated by the railroad men as a place where they may profitably and pleasantly spend any leisure time they may have. And here we would like to correct an impression in the minds of some that these rooms are intended solely for the use of any one road. The different roads centering in this city *all* contribute monthly for the support of these rooms, and *all* railroad employees are cordially welcome."

P.S.—Any person desiring printed matter referred to in this work may have it on application.