

OUR WORK.



A YOUNG Men's Christian Association is in intention, and no less in fact, doing the work, so to speak, of a recruiting officer for the churches, attracting young men from every quarter, upon whom otherwise they could not hope to obtain a hold. It is the link which spans over and bridges the gap in a young man's life, when home is left behind with the church of his boyhood. This break of continuity is the most critical time, and with the forces of evil in full activity, might become a permanent breach were it not for the Association. It holds out to the young man a hand, and gives him a hearty welcome to spend his first evening with them. It has been well remarked that much, humanly speaking, depends upon where that first evening is spent. An impetus to the life may then be given, in accordance with which the man becomes, under God, "a pillar in His house," or a waster of God's gifts and a destroyer of himself and others.—[Word and Work.

A great many young men think that unless they are members of the Association they are not welcome at the rooms. We wish to say to all such that, while we greatly desire that you become members, you are cordially invited to visit the reading room as often as convenient, and will receive a hearty welcome at all of our meetings.

YOUNG MAN !

BEAR IN MIND

THAT **YOU** ARE

INVITED

TO COME TO THE ROOMS OF THIS
ASSOCIATION,

Whenever you like, and that you will be cordially welcomed, whether you are a member or not.

HARK. HARK. HARK !

'Tis a message of mercy free ;
O sinner! thy crimson sins are dark,
But Jesus hath died for thee.

HEAR the word of the Lord, ye that tremble at His word. Isa. xlv. 5.

LOOK. LOOK. LOOK !

Oh, look to the blood-stained tree!
Thy sins are entered in God's own book,
But Jesus hath died for thee.

LOOK unto **ME**, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth : for I am God, and there is none else.—Isa. xlv. 22.

COME. COME. COME !

'Twas Jesus who rescued me ;
He healeth the leper, the lame, the dumb—

O sinner! He died for thee.

COME ye to the waters, . . . come ye, buy, and eat ; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.—Isa. lv. 1.

HASTE. HASTE. HASTE !

Delay not from death to flee ;
Oh, wherefore the moments in madness waste

When Jesus is calling thee?

ESCAPE for thy life; look not behind thee . . . escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed. Gen. xix. 17.

NOW. NOW. NOW !

To-morrow too late may be ;
O sinner! with tears of contrition bow,
Confessing "He died for me."

Behold, **NOW** is the accepted time ;
behold, **NOW** is the day of salvation.
—2 Cor. vi. 2.



WHAT we need is less reliance upon new or sensational measures to awaken young men to religious subjects, and a deeper personal consecration among ourselves. Young men will be reached quicker, and approached easier, by our living, as we profess; by being more consistent in what we do; by being holy christian men. We need to make our Association rooms the centres for warm, loving, consecrated work, from which shall go forth constantly earnest and effective influences. Let us as active workers and leaders seek for a deeper personal consecration ourselves.—[Watchman.