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All have sinned and come short of the glory of God:—Romans iii. 23.

Editorial.

We call special attention to the Annual Report of our Railroad Secretary (Mr. W. E. Burford), which appears as a supplement to this week's number. It is well worth perusal, and the work cannot but commend itself to the Christian Public. One feature specially noticeable, is that the meetings referred to are regularly held *all the year round*. The winter's frost or summer's heat do not stop their onward course. That a good work is being performed must be admitted, and the committee look for, and feel assured that substantial aid will be afforded them in carrying on the work in the future, even more vigorously than their limited income has enabled them to do, in the past. In addition to financial aid, friends can materially assist by making up parcel of Magazines or other wholesome reading matter, and forwarding the same to Mr. Burford at Shaftesbury Hall.

Prior to the departure of our President, Vice-Chancellor Blake, the following resolution was adopted by the Executive of the Toronto Association.

"That during the visit of our esteemed President, Hon. Vice-Chancellor Blake to Great Britain, as a Representative of the 'Ontario Sabbath School Association, to the Raikes Centenary' he be requested at the same time to represent the 'Toronto Young Men's Christian Association,' and he is hereby affectionately commended to the Brethren of similar Associations, in such places, as he may visit."

Mr. Wilkie's many friends in Toronto will be pleased to hear, that his reception at Brooklyn has been most cordial; and pleasant associations are being formed by him. On the 24th of June a welcome reception was tendered him, at which over 400 members were present. Bro. Wilkie writes us that he is rapidly settling down to the

great work before him. Those who know how indefatigable he is, will readily understand that he will permit neither time nor opportunity to pass unemployed, towards securing the success of the Association with which he is now connected.

For the Map of Toronto which appears in this number, we are indebted to the courtesy of E. G. Hart, Esq., of Adelaide Street, Proprietor and publisher of the "*Shipping Gazette and Marine Record*."

Selections.

LOOK UP, AND LEND A HAND.

"Edward Everett Hale wrote some years ago a fanciful sketch of a club pervading the world whose members should be governed by two maxims: to look up and not down, and to lend a hand. This is precisely the aim of the Young Men's Christian Associations. They prompt every young man they reach to look up with faith to a Divine Helper, and then by precept and example inspire him to do all the good he can. The creed of the good Samaritan, who runs to the relief of his fellow and plies his wine and oil, is one which the whole world can understand."—*Harper's Weekly*.

God gives us gifts, graces, and natural talents, not for our own use, but that we may render them for Him.

A Christian is one that believes things he can not comprehend; he hopes for things which neither he or any man alive ever saw; yet in the issue his belief appears not to be false; his hope makes him not ashamed. The more injury his enemies do him, the more advantages he gains by them. The more he forsakes worldly things, the more he enjoys them.

Mine eyes SHALL BE upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh in a perfect way, he shall serve me.—Ps. ci. 6.