

SHAFTESBURY HALL

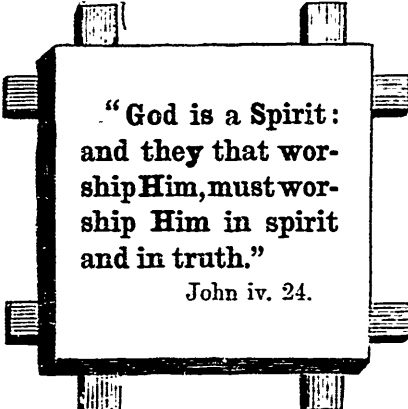
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“God is a Spirit:
and they that wor-
ship Him, must wor-
ship Him in spirit
and in truth.”

John iv. 24.

17TH ANNIVERSARY.

THE Seventeenth Anniversary of this Association was held on the evening of Thursday 12th inst. Notwithstanding the uncomfortably warm weather, a large audience assembled in Shaftesbury Hall at the time appointed for the meeting, and the greatest interest was manifested in the proceedings throughout.

The chair was taken by Vice Chancellor Blake. The speeches were all interesting and pointed, and the speakers were frequently applauded. A pleasant and striking feature of the programme was the singing of the railway choir, of about twenty voices, accompanied by the Y. M. C. A. orchestra. Among the gentlemen on the platform were Rev. Principal Grant, Rev. Principal Sheraton, Rev. Dr. Potts, Rev. Dr. O'Meara, Port Hope, President Wilson of Toronto University, Rev. Prof. Gregg, Rev. H. M. Parsons, Rev. H. D. Powis, Rev. Mr. Salmon, Rev. T. C. DesBarres.

The CHAIRMAN, in opening his address, read a telegram from the Montreal Y. M. C. A., congratulating the Toronto society upon achieving their seventeenth birthday, which was received with much applause. He proceeded to say that this work of the Y. M. C. A. was as much from God as the work of Raikes, or Shaftesbury, or Wilberforce. He had heard of some remarks in the papers of people coming here for self-glorification, but he asked them did they come for any purpose but to thank God for having been permitted to do His work and to receive encouragement for the future. He directed special attention to the fact that the Association is cramped for room, being compelled to let the lower flat to meet the interest on the mortgage on the building. They should make a great effort to pay off the mortgage this year.

Short addresses were given on the different features of our work by Messrs. McFarlane, Burford, Edwards and the General Secretary.

Dr. Potts delivered a soul stirring address on Aggressive work, and Rev. Principal Grant of Kingston, spoke upon the Y. M. C. Associations as an out-come of the church.

The evening's programme was well sustained and the audience dispersed, carrying away with them pleasant recollections of the 17th Annual Gathering of this Association.

24TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION.

THE delegates named to represent this Association at the Cleveland Convention are Messrs. R. Kilgour, J. O. Anderson, S. Caldecott, W. E. Burford and the General Secretary. The Convention opens on the 25th inst.