

WHAT STRONG DRINK DOES.

Drink is the upas-tree
Poison its breath,
Dealing around it
Destruction and death !

Drink is the monster
That beauty destroys,
Tainting the blood
With its deadly alloys !

Drink is the power
That shortens man's life,
Filling his homestead
With mis'ry and strife !

Drink is the river
That memory drowns,
Stifles affection
And reason dethrones !

Drink is the demon
That conquers the soul ;
Rapine and murder
Lie hid in the bowl !

Betrayer of innocence
Robber of wealth
Foe to serenity
Concord and health !

Drink is the tyrant
Whose terrible van
Transforms to a devil
God's noblest work, Man !

PARKDALE! PARKDALE!!

SUCH has been the attendance for many Sundays at the Railway Meetings that something had to be done, they on every hand being, "a more convenient place must be had," and a sub-committee has been authorized with full permission of Board of Directors of the Toronto Y. M. C. A., to secure what is needed for the work in Parkdale. Our hopes are that rooms equal to those at St. Thomas so justly praised by all those who have used them will soon be opened here.

Cottage meeting on Wednesday evening at 218 Argyle St. Come and bring your friends

NOTES

At a recent meeting of the Railway Committee it was recommended that the Sunday School lesson be read and made the basis of addresses at our Sun-

day meetings. On Sunday, March, 11th, when Wm. Brown presided at the meeting and Rev. Thos. Cullen spoke, it was adopted by the two without any pre-arrangement, and we had a most enjoyable time. There never was a time when so many were engaged in the study of, and praying over one passage of Scripture at one time, as there are constantly on the international lessons, and they are so well selected that each one has sufficient to suggest the subject matter not only for one but for several addresses. We shall publish the list for each month in "*Our Special*." Unless by special arrangement, we always use the lesson for the following Sabbath in our cottage meetings.

LIST FOR APRIL.

Lesson 1, April 1; Simon the Sorcerer. Acts viii. : 14-25.

Lesson 2, April 8; Philip and the Ethiopian. Acts viii. : 25-40.

Lesson 3, April 15; Saul's Conversion. Acts ix. : 1-18.

Lesson 4, April 22; Saul preaches Christ. Acts ix. : 19-31.

Lesson 5, April 20. Peter working miracles. Acts ix. 32-33.

PERSONAL.

We are very glad that Mr. Samuel Hyndman, ex-G. W. R. station and freight agent at the Yonge St. depot, has returned to settle in Toronto as agent for the "Blue Line." He will still be a member of our Committee. Welcome, brother Hyndman, and our very best congratulations upon your superior appointment.

Hardly a visit! yet we suppose it cannot be called by any other name, was paid us on March 16th by Mr. A. Munro, ex-G. W. R. ticket agent at Minion Station, a tried and arduous worker together with us here for a long time. Brother Munro contemplates permanently entering this work. We doubt not but that if the way is opened and it is God's will for him to enter the Secretaryship, that he will make a first-class Secretary, for he has qualifications for the position which are rare indeed.

Brakeman Dan Morrison, of G. T. R., whose leg was broken first Sunday this year, is doing very well.