

Young Peoples' Social Bible Meeting. — I will attend meeting was held at Mr. McDowough's house on the evening of the 24th ult. to consider the advisability of returning the Social Gatherings for Bible Study, which proved so signalizy successful last winter. It was unanimously decided to continue the course through the coming season, and a committee was appointed to carry out details. The subject of the course will be "The Christian Life." A detailed programme will be given next month.

### Y. M. A. Autumn Sessions 1883.

Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> — At the School room.

Lecture. "England's Domes and the House of Lords."

Rev. W. Cuthbertson, B.A.; London, Eng.

Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> — At the house of Mr. Geo. Hodgetts, 8 St. Patrick Street.  
"Impromptu Speaking."

Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> — At the house of Mr. J. B. Roberts, 1 Avenue Street.  
"Debate." Speaker: — Messrs. C. M. Gowan, H. R. O'Brien, J. S. Roberts, &c.

Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> — Essays. "Canada under the French." — Mr. W. H. Gossman.

"Canada under the British." — Mr. H. C. Copp.

"Canada during the last Decade." — Mr. W. Williamson.

Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> — At the School room.

Lecture. "The Sun." Mr. G. B. Roberts.

Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> — Shakespearean Evening. "Much Ado About Nothing."

P. S. — The meetings of the N. C. C. Y. M. A. are held on alternate Friday evenings, from October to May inclusive, beginning at 8 o'clock. Young men visiting are warmly welcomed.

### Note Bene.

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3. Contributions should be mailed by the 18th of each month, to insure attention in the next subsequent issue.

4. All communications should be addressed, and subscriptions paid to R. Patching, Toronto Street, Editor pro tem.

The taxes are indeed heavy; and if these burdens by Government were the only ones we had to pay, we might more easily discharge them, but we have many others, and much more grievous to some of us. We are taxed twice as much by our idleness, three times as much by our pride, and four times as much by our folly; and from these taxes we cannot ease, or deliver us, by allowing any abatement. — Franklin.