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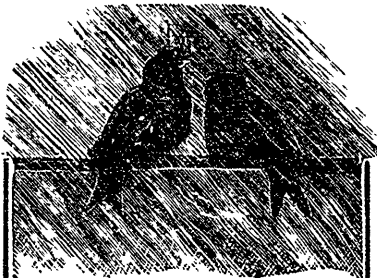
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JESUS.

A tabernacle for a shadow in the day time from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.

Isaiah iv. 6.

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Although we now publish 2,000 copies each week, the demand is being made for further increase.

"GONE HOME."

WE are in receipt of a letter conveying to us the tidings of the removal by death of Mr. F. S. Harvey, whose visit to our City and sojourn with us for several months last year, will be remembered by many of the workers. While with us, he was ever ready to lend a helping hand in our work for the Master. At the time of his death (Feb. 10th), he was employed as clerk in the office of the "Middlesex County Times," published at Ealing (England). He rests in hope, and our correspondent in closing his letter says "Thank God, dear Brother, for the Bible, and such a life resulting from it."

SPECIAL SERVICES.

ON the last page we give a list of meetings to be held during the week. This work is pressing upon the hearts of many of our brethren, and earnest prayers are ascending on behalf of the young men. We cannot fully express our desires, but we do in the Master's name ask the Lord's children everywhere to remember us. We hope to have with us our Bro. George Williams, of Glasgow, whose labors for the past months in Chicago have been so much blessed, but up to going to press have not received positive promise, as our Brother is much fatigued, and is seeking needed rest at Belleville. We still trust that the way may be opened for securing a visit from him.

I AM the Way, and the Truth, and the Life; no man cometh unto the Father but by Me.—John xiv. 6.

I AM the Door: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.—John x. 9.

“BETTER LATE THAN NEVER.”

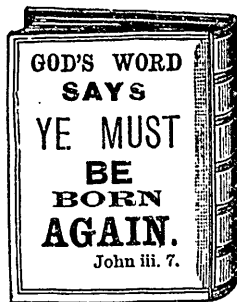
THE Report of the Second Dominion Convention of Y. M. C. Associations held at Truro, N. S., in August last, has just been published by the Executive Committee. In addition to the minutes, it also contains such papers read, as in the opinion of the Committee were worthy of being published. Copies can be secured by addressing J. J. Gartshore, Esq., Sec. Executive Committee.

THE STRANGER.

MANY young strangers call upon us each week. Some are in search of employment. Some seek Boarding Houses. Some call for advice. We are pleased to welcome all, and we shall ever be ready to do our part toward them, and hope that their visits to our Rooms may be but the first step toward the Lord Jesus Christ.

TRUE WORKERS.

WE want workers, but they must come from God, and not from the world. If we are content to wait upon Him for the right persons, if we are firm in accepting none who are not converted, Christ-loving, Christ-living souls, I am sure, from long experience that the Lord will leave us in no lack of fellow-laborers. I fear that we are not careful enough on these points—the selection and the training of our workers. Unspiritual persons cannot do spiritual work. Such helpers are like a damp blanket on a fire. The Holy Ghost is grieved, His power withdrawn, conversions cease, new and carnal fashions are introduced to attract or retain the worldly, and we soon degenerate from workers together with God, to mere providers of entertainments, and so bad grows to worse.



How solemn are the words,
And yet to faith how plain,
Which Jesus uttered while on earth—
“Ye must be born again!”

“Ye must be born again!”
Or never enter heaven;
’Tis only blood-washed ones are there—
The ransomed and forgiven.

CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS.

THE Bible speaks of Christians as “agreeing” Amos iii. 3 “of the same mind,” Rom. xii. 16 —“of one mind” 1 Pet. iii. 8—“having fellowship” 1 John i. 7—“of one spirit” Phil. i. 27: “knit together” Col. ii. 2—“buildd together” Eph. ii. 22—“helping together” 2 Cor. i. 11—“Striving together” Phil. i. 27. Joined “perfectly together” 1 Cor. i. 10. They are “Fellow Citizens” Eph. ii. 19: “Fellow Heirs” Eph. iii. 6—“Fellow helpers” 3 John 8—“Fellow Labourers” Phil. iv. 3—“Fellow servants” Col. iv. 7—“Fellow Soldiers” Phil. ii. 25—“Fellow Workers” Col. iv. 11—and it may be “Fellow Prisoners,” Rom. xvi. 7.

A MEETING FOR ENQUIRERS

IS HELD

EVERY MONDAY EVENING, FROM 7.30 TILL 9.
In Parlor C. (up stairs) Shaftesbury Hall.

I AM He which searcheth the reins and hearts; and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.—Rev. ii. 23.

I AM He that Liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive (the living one) for evermore.—Rev. i. 18.

THOU GOD SEEST ME.

Gen. xvi. 13.



OD is spoken of in the Bible as
LOOKING,
SEEING,
BEHOLDING,
KNOWING,
TRYING,
PONDERING,
WEIGHING,
SEARCHING.

the life, thoughts, and ways of men. Can we say "Search Me?" Remember—

ALL THINGS ARE NAKED and opened unto the eyes of Him with whom we have to do. Heb. iv. 13.

'LOOK UNTO ME, AND BE YE SAVED.'—Isa. xiv. 22.



AT first sight these words appear simply to be a call to the unconverted—and so they are. But for the child of God a deeper meaning lies under them.

'Look unto Me, and be saved'—from present fear, or doubt, or dread, or heart hunger, or soul unrest.

Here is a perfect and unfailing remedy for every evil that can afflict you—'Look unto Me, and be saved.'

Do not turn from the cure because it is so simple, as Naaman did from the waters of Jordan. Its very simplicity prevents your being able to give any excuse for not using it. *Look* and be saved.'

Try the plan the next time you are in doubt, or difficulty, or perplexity—and you will find that *while you are looking—you will be saved.*

Not that the trouble will of necessity be removed, but you will be 'saved' from bearing it *alone*—for He who offers to 'save' you—promises also—'even I will carry, and will deliver you.

Saved from each weary load—

Because my God

Offers to carry it and me,

So tenderly.

"FOLLOW THOU ME."

(John xxi. 22.)



YOUNG Highland ensign who carried the colors at the battle of Alma, went far ahead of the rest, until the colors were in danger of being encircled by the foe, when an officer cried out, "Bring the colors back to the troops," "No," shouted the brave Highlander, "bring the troops to the colors." So ought we to say. Raising our standard where God commands, and refusing to retreat, we should seek with all earnestness to bring men up to it.

FIVE THINGS THAT GOD HATH CHOSEN.

The foolish things.

The weak things.

The base things.

Things which are despised.

Things which are not.

(1 Cor. i. 27, 28.)

These are the things *God hath chosen* to do his work with. So, brother, that just means that you are to go on, witnessing, and working, and praying in the name of the Lord, although you may not have much of this world's learning, or power, or standing, or reputation. Of course, the world would have you to keep everything to yourself, and not trouble people about "this Jesus." But the Lord has arranged differently. He

"Works in a mysterious way,
His wonders to perform."

THE Cross of Christ is a wondrous place! Here opposites meet,—the deepest sorrow and the highest joy; the greatest peace, and yet all the elements of a broken heart.



E that would serve the Lord, must do it when he measures his peck, as well as when he sits in his pew.

I AM Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord.—Rev. i. 8.

WEEK OF SPECIAL PRAYER

—AND—

Evangelistic Services

FOR YOUNG MEN,

Commencing Monday, April 2nd, 1883.

Every day from 12 to 12.45, in Parlor B.

A MEETING FOR PRAYER,

Presided over as follows:—

- MONDAY THE SECRETARY .. Revival in answer to united prayer. Acts i. 12-14; ii. 1-6, 38-47.
- TUESDAY..... H. B. GORDON Converted in the routine of daily work. John iv. 6-29.
- WEDNESDAY.. G. T. FERGUSSON.. Converted in a prayer meeting. Acts xvi. 12 15.
- THURSDAY.... J. J. GARTSHORE .. Converted at home. Acts x. 24-48.
- FRIDAY W. GAY Converted in Prison. Acts xvi. 25-34.
- SATURDAY.... F. ASTON..... Converted contrary to all expectation. Acts ix. 1-26.

Meetings will also be held every evening at 8 o'clock for one hour.

These will be in charge of the Members of the Devotional Committee

- MONDAY EVENING Meeting will be devoted especially to prayer, and to a short address, on "The Power of the Spirit," by Rev. H. M. PARSONS.
- TUESDAY " " Evangelistic Addresses, by W. H. HOWLAND and others.
- WEDNESDAY " " Hon. S. H. BLAKE and S. R. BRIGGS.
- THURSDAY " " W. E. BURFORD, W. GAY and others.
- FRIDAY " " R. KILGOUR, Rev. J. SALMON and others.
- SATURDAY " " Short address by Workers (Young Men.)
- SUNDAY " " 8.30 p.m., S. R. BRIGGS and W. GAY.

These meetings will be held in the Members' Parlor, Shaftesbury Hall.

The Secretary's Bible Class, and the Boys' Meeting will be withdrawn for this week.