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Be ye strong, therefore, and let not your hands be weak; for your work shall be rewarded. 2 Chron. xv. 7.

## STRANGERS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

That the Rooms of the  
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### OUR MEETINGS.

**G**OD IS WITH US. When we write this, it is unnecessary to add that we have blessing. Remember the work in your prayers.

### IN CAMP.

**W**HILE our friends are reading this, our work in the Volunteer Camp will be in progress. We ask the prayers of every Christian, that this work may be owned of God. He has provided friends for us among the officers, and particularly so in the Colonel in command. Pray that the Young Men of the Camp may be kept amid the many temptations of Camp life, and that God's Word may find a ready entrance into their hearts. We expect next week (D. V.) to publish a double number of our BULLETIN, and to print about 3,000 extra copies for use in the Camp. The funds for so doing will, no doubt, be forthcoming.

Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded saith the Lord.—Jeremiah xxxi. 16.

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee.—Isaiah xliiii. 2.

My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.—Prov. i. 10.

### THE UNUSED UMBRELLA.

**Y**OUTH was lately leaving his aunt's house after a visit, when, finding it was beginning to rain, he caught up an umbrella that was snugly placed in a corner, and was proceeding to open it, when the old lady, who for the first time observed his movements, sprang towards him, exclaiming, "No, no; that you never shall! I've had that umbrella twenty-three years, and it has never been wet yet; and I'm sure it shan't be wetted now."

Some folk's religion is of the same quality. It is none the worse for wear. It is a respectable article to be looked at, but it must not be damped in the showers of daily life. It stands in a corner, to be used in case of serious illness or death, but it is not meant for common occasions.

We are suspicious that the twenty-three years' old gingham was gone at the seams, and if it had been unfurled it would have leaked like a sieve. At any rate, we are sure that this is the case with the hoarded-up religion which has answered no useful turn in a man's life.—C. H. S.

## EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS

HELD

EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON,

AT 3 O'CLOCK.

All Welcome.

## YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Every Monday Evening,  
AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL INVITED.

**F**ATHER," said the boy, "the cows are in the corn-field, how did they get in?" "Boy," said the father, "never mind how they got in; let us get them out." People are sunken in vice, steeped in poverty; how do they get into this condition? Answer this question after the Day of Judgment, but just now the immediate thing is to see how to get evil out of the world, and how to lift up the fallen, and restore those who have gone astray.

### REJECTED YET HONORED.

**M**ACAULAY tells of a poor apprentice who made a cathedral window entirely out of pieces of glass that his master had condemned and thrown away. But when completed, the window won the admiration of all. The master's boasted work was rejected, and the window made by the unknown artist from condemned material was given the place of honor in the great cathedral. The wisdom of this world made its painted window of the wise, the learned, and the righteous, but the unknown Jesus of Nazareth became the architect of a new society. He rejected the noble and the wise, and choose the very material that the wisdom of this world had condemned, and from the refuse of society He has taken up the fallen sons of men and set them, like diamonds, to sparkle forever in the diadem of His glory.—*Selected.*

When thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee....Isaiah xliiii. 2.

He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces.—Isaiah xxv. 8.

**“KEEP BY THE CROSS.”**



**Y**EARS ago, I was climbing a mountain, and having no guide, was not sure of finding my way. Several bye-paths branched off in various directions, and I was afraid of taking one or other that might lead away from the summit. But a word was given me that made all plain. A cottager, living close by, told me of a large wooden cross that had been erected to point out the right turning. She told me to “Be sure and keep by the cross,” and I could not go astray.

In a higher sense I would repeat the word of counsel which this woman gave me. To every traveller on life's journey, to every one who would find a home on Zion's Hill, with all earnestness and affection I would say, “Keep by the Cross.”

“Keep by the Cross,” putting your full confidence in Him who died as a sacrifice for your sin. From first to last let this be your only hope. Humbly draw nigh to God, resting in the blood of Christ, and assured that through Him,

as your Propitiation, you may now be forgiven and accepted, and through Him may ever abide in the favour and love of God.

“Keep by the Cross.” Thus will you learn to hate all sin. Your sins and iniquities were the nails in the Saviour's hands and feet, the thorns in His temples, the stripes on His body, the spear in His wounded side. Will you not abhor the evil that thus brought death to your best Friend? Will not you hate the sin which crucified the Saviour?

“Keep by the Cross.” It will teach you more to love the crucified One. As you think of His death, as you dwell on all He did for your salvation, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, you will learn to see how greatly He loved you, and this will kindle your love to Him.

“Keep by the Cross.” The remembrance of Christ's death will assist you in bearing patiently the cross that may be laid upon you. Has He not said, “If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me?”

“Keep by the Cross.” So will you be able to meet death with cheerful hope. He who died for you will stand by your side. He will hold your hand as you pass through the dark river; and, washed in His most precious blood, you shall join the white-robed throng before the throne, and share their song of praise and gladness, “Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.” (Rev. v. 12).

**REMEMBER**

—THE—

**YOUNG MEN'S MEETING**

**HELD**

**Every Saturday Evening,**

**AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.**

**COME.**

In the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavillion; in the secret of His tabernacle shall he hide me: He shall set me up upon a rock.—Ps. xxv. 8.

## DOING AND PLANNING.

**A** USEFUL man to Stonewall Jackson was old Miles, the Virginia bridge-builder. The bridges were swept away so often by floods, or burned by the enemy, that Miles was as necessary to the Confederate army as Jackson himself. One day the Union troops had retreated, and burned a bridge across the Shenandoah. Jackson, determined to follow them, summoned Miles. "You must put all your men on that bridge," said he; "they must work all night, and the bridge must be completed by daylight. My engineer shall furnish you the plan, and you can go right ahead." Early next morning Jackson, in a very doubtful frame of mind, met the old bridge-builder. "Well," said the general, "did the engineer give you the plan for the bridge?" "General," returned Miles, slowly, "the bridge is done. I don't know whether the picture is or not!"

We want a few more men of the Miles order. In fact, we could do with miles of them. We do not plan but work. While others debate, they perform. A committee has met six times, and has at last appointed a sub-committee to consider the cheapest place to buy a box of matches; but our practical brother has lit the fire, dried the poor creature's clothes, given him a basin of soup, and sent him on his way rejoicing,—yes, done it a hundred times over before the great match-discussion has verged upon a decision. In the name of all the humanities, let us have fewer plans and more bridges, shorter red-tape and longer bits of flannel; and if possible, less bitter cry and more wool on the poor people's backs. Measureless oceans of talk are not equal to a single cup of cold water really given in Christ's name.—*C. H. S.*

## GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE,

Every Sunday Evening, at 8.30.

GOOD SINGING. SHORT GOSPEL ADDRESSES.

**COME.**

## BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK.

SUNDAY, JUNE 23.

Bible Class at 8.30, and Gospel and Song Service at 8.30, followed by an enquiry meeting at 9.15. All invited.

MONDAY, JUNE 24.

12 noon.—Thanksgiving and Praise Meeting. The Secretary.

8 p.m.—Young Men's Bible Class, in Parlor "B." Conducted by the Secretary.

9 p.m.—Young Men's Prayer and Testimony Meeting.

TUESDAY, JUNE 24.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Sabbath Desecration Rebuked. Neh. xiii. 15-22. Geo. T. Fergusson.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 25.

12 to 12.45 noon.—How God's Judgments may be Averted. Jonah iii. 4-10. Rev. J. Scimmon.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25.

12 to 12.45 noon.—In or Out. *Ark*, Gen. vii. 16; *Faith*, Matt. xxv. 10; *Gates*, Rev. xxii. 14, 15; *Christ*, Eph. ii. 14, 18. S. R. Briggs.

8.00 p.m.—Workers' Meeting for Prayer.

FRIDAY JUNE 27.

12 to 12.45 noon.—The True Spirit of Christian Workers *Moses*, Ex. xxxiii. 31, 32; *Paul*, Rom. ix. 3; *Phil* ii 5-8. J. J. Gartshore.

7.30 p.m.—BOY'S MEETING.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28.

12 to 12.45 noon.—The Unclean Spirits Obey Him. *Mark* i. 21-28. Assistant Secretary.

4.30 p.m.—Teacher's Bible Class. Hon. S. H. Blake

7.15 p.m.—Invitation Committee Meets for Prayer.  
8.00 p.m.—Young Men's Meeting. J. J. Findlay.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22.

3.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Bible Class. B. Gordon.  
Deaf Mute Class. F. S. Brigden.

" Chinese Class. W. M. More.

" Italian's Class.

8.30 p.m.—Gospel and Song Service. S. R. Briggs.  
Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15.

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Sec'y.

## Railway Men's Meeting.

W. C. JEX, Railway Secretary.

SUNDAY, JUNE 29.

3 p.m.—Union Station. R. Connors and Rev. T. Cullen.

## TEACHER'S BIBLE CLASS

HELD

Every Saturday Afternoon,

AT 4.30 O'CLOCK,