

# SHAFTESBURY HALL

## WEEKLY BULLETIN.

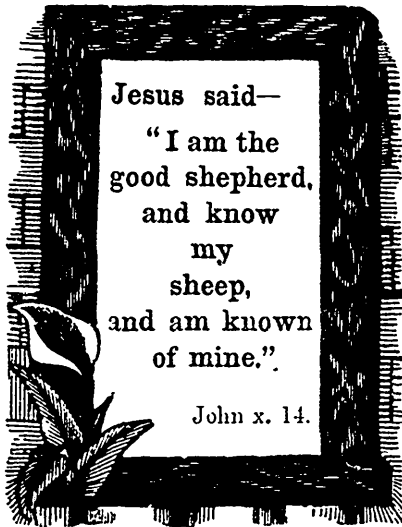
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Jesus said—  
"I am the  
good shepherd,  
and know  
my  
sheep,  
and am known  
of mine."

John x. 14.

### THE FIRST INSTALMENT.

**A**T one of our Noonday Meetings special prayer was offered with reference to the debt upon our building, that God would be pleased, speedily to relieve us of this burden. At the close of the meeting a lady handed to the Secretary \$10 as her contribution toward the fund. We firmly believe that the time is drawing nigh when the desire of our heart shall be granted us, and we shall have our building not only free from debt, but every part of it used for purposes designed to secure the well-being of the Young Men of Toronto. When we can hold our Young Men's Meetings and our Noonday Meetings on the ground floor, we believe we shall reach hundreds who are now unreached. Out of the hundreds of liquor saloons in the

City of Toronto we believe we are right in saying there are not half a dozen (if any) on the second floor of a building, or even up more than 2 or 3 steps. And why? Because the Devil is too good a trapper to allow his agents to bungle his nets and snares. You can not catch a rabbit by putting the snare up a tree, and it would be almost as certain a failure to put a bar-room up even one story, so the trap is set as near the sidewalk as the LAW will permit. They can't sell whiskey on the street, but they come as near to it as possible.

Why should not we as Christians take a leaf out of their book. We *know* it is difficult to induce Young Men to come up stairs, but there are many who would drop into an open door on a level with the sidewalk. Shall we not be placed in a position to carry out this plan? Friends pray for this, and then see how far you can help to answer your own prayers. Fathers and Mothers of Toronto, we ask your prayers and aid. Perhaps the day may come when the helping hand of this or some other Association may be needed by you. Help, not simply because we ask, or need, but for HIS sake who has done so much for you.

## Remember

THE

## EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS

HELD

Every Sunday Afternoon,

AT 3 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

All are invited.

## GOD'S TRUTH.

There are **TWO GATES**.

The one wide. | The other strait.

**TWO COMPANIES.**

**THE MANY.**

Those who forget God, love sin, please themselves, love the world. Liars, thieves, adulterers, murderers, drunkards, self-righteous, unsaved church members.

**THE FEW.**

Those who have confessed themselves nothing but sinners, have accepted God's gift—Jesus Christ—and are now living soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world.

**TWO LEADERS.**

Satan, the deceiver. | Jesus Christ, the truth.

**TWO WAYS.**

Broad, dark, smooth. | Narrow, light, rough.

**TWO DEATHS.**

In their sins. | In the Lord.

**TWO RESURRECTIONS.**

To judgment. | To life.

**TWO ETERNITIES.**

Damnation in hell.	Glory in heaven.
Weeping, wailing, gnashing of teeth, torment, sin, and sorrow, with the devil and his angels.	Reigning as kings, worshipping as priests, serving in holiness, joy, and love with the Lord.

On which side of the line are you? There is no half-way place; you are either condemned or justified—which?

**M**

AN'S knowledge is but as the rivulet: his ignorance as the sea.—*Eliza Cook.*

**ONE HOUR MORE,  
AND YOU MAY BE IN ETERNITY!**

Reader, how would it find you?

**SAVED, OR LOST FOR EVER?**

Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto **THEM WHICH ARE EXERCISED THEREBY.** Heb. xii. 11.

**Y**

OU smell delightfully fragrant," said the Gravel-walk to a bed of camomile flowers under a window.

"We have been trodden on," replied the flowers.

"Does that cause it?" asked the Gravel walk. "Treading on me produces no sweetness."

"Our natures are different," answered the flowers. "Gravel-walks become only the harder by being trodden upon: but the effect on us is that if pressed and bruised when the dew is upon us, to give forth that sweet smell which you now perceive."—*Bowden.*

**FEED MY LAMBS.**

**T**

AKE away a toy from a child, and give him another and he is satisfied: but if he be hungry no toy will do. Thus, as new born babes, believers should not be supplied with new TOYS but be fed with the sincere milk of the word. All the toys ever made in Germany, France or Switzerland would be valueless to a hungry child, and could not ensure the addition of a single inch to its stature, so all the pleasures or amusements ever invented are valueless, nay are injurious to the health, and will necessarily impede the growth of a Young Christian. Only the sincere milk of the word can ensure growth. **FOOD NOT PLEASURE** is that which an Association should strive to supply.

**REMEMBER**

**A**

MAN may lose the good things of this life against his will: but if he loses eternal blessings, he does so with his own consent —*Augustine 354-430.*

## YOUNG MAN.



**D**OES the following call to mind  
any scene in your past life?  
What about the last verse?  
Will you meet her there?

### MOTHER'S GOOD-BYE.

Sit down by the side of your mother, my boy,  
You have only a moment I know;  
But you'll stay till I give you my parting advice;  
'Tis all that I have to bestow.

You leave us to seek for employment, my boy,  
By the world you have yet to be tried;  
But in all the temptations and struggles you meet,  
May your heart in the Saviour confide.

You'll find in your satchel a Bible, my boy,  
'Tis the book of others the best;  
It will teach you to live, it will help you to die,  
And lead to the gates of the blest.

I gave you to God in your cradle, my boy.  
I have taught you the best that I know;  
And as long as his mercy permits me to live,  
I shall never cease praying for you.

Your father is coming to bid you good-bye;  
Oh, how lonely and sad we shall be;  
But when far from the scenes of your childhood and  
youth  
You'll think of your father and me.

I want you to feel every word I have said,  
For it comes from the depths of my love,  
And my boy, if we never behold you on earth,  
Will you promise to meet us above?

### SINS BLOTTED OUT.



**Q**UONCE a little boy was much  
puzzled about sins being blot-  
ted out, and said, "I cannot  
think what becomes of all the  
sins God forgives, mother."

"Why, Charlie, can you tell me  
where are all the figures you wrote on  
your slate yesterday?"

"I washed them all out, mother."

"And where are they, then?"

"Why, they are *nowhere*; they are  
gone," said Charlie.

Just so it is with the believer's sins—  
they are gone; blotted out; "remem-  
bered no more."

"As far as the east is from the west,  
so far hath He removed our transgress-  
ions from us."

**"As thy days, so shall  
thy strength be."**

Deut. xxxiii. 25.

## YOUNG MEN'S

# BIBLE CLASS

EVERY MONDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK,

**ALL INVITED.**

### MODESTY FALSELY SO CALLED.



**O**WELL," you say, there are  
some who are modest and  
very retiring." Ah, indeed!  
Have you ever noticed who  
those wonderfully "modest and retir-  
ing" brethren are? Have you noticed  
them in their contact with the world  
in their business relation in life? How  
"modest and retiring" that dear brother  
is when you step into his place of busi-  
ness, when the room is crowded with  
customers! Does he now take a back  
seat? No; you see him worry and work,  
trying to crowd the work of an hour  
into twenty minutes. He is intensely  
in earnest now. "Modest," do you say?  
Why, here he is surrounded by the  
very people who sat with him in church  
last night, and who have wondered  
again and again at his activity in busi-  
ness—his deadness in the work of the  
Lord. You know he hardly ever stays  
for the after meetings, and when he  
does it is not hard to see that he has no  
heart in it. "Modest?" Yes; so modest  
he can hardly say a word for the Master.  
But so modest though he be, he will  
talk for a half hour to-morrow before  
twice as many people, with his heart  
full of earnestness, for a dollar or two  
of the world.

Well, then, don't excuse him any  
more on the ground of modesty.—  
*Selected.*

### "ALMOST."

"Almost thou persuadest me." "Thou art not far  
from the Kingdom."

So near the door—and the door  
stood wide!

Close to the port—but not inside!

Near to the fold—yet not within!

Almost resolved to give up sin!

Almost persuaded to count the  
cost!

Almost a Christian—and yet lost!

# GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE,

*Every Sunday Evening,*

AT 8.30.

**GOOD SINGING.**

**SHORT GOSPEL ADDRESSES.**

**COME!**

# REMEMBER

—THE—

## Young Men's Meeting,

HELD

**EVERY SATURDAY EVENING,**

AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

**COME!**

## Bulletin for Week Commencing Aug. 7, 1882.

MONDAY.....	Aug. 7....	12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING. Assistant Secretary.
				8.00 P.M. WORKERS' BIBLE CLASS. Conducted by W. N. McFarlane.
TUESDAY.....	"	8....	12.00	M. NOONDAY PRAYER. Truth better than riches. Acts v. 1-11. Rev. J. Salmon.
WEDNESDAY	"	9....	12.00	M. NOONDAY PRAYER. A precious stone; or, a rock of offence. 1 Pet. ii. 1-8. J. Nobbs.
THURSDAY...	"	10....	12.00	M. NOONDAY PRAYER. A little while and the morning cometh. John xvi. 16-22. H. B. Gordon.
FRIDAY .....	"	11....	12.00	M. NOONDAY PRAYER: The cost of follow- ing Christ. Matt. viii. 18-22; Luke ix. 23; 2 Tim. iii. 12. R. Merryfield.
				8.00 P.M. BOYS' MEETING.
SATURDAY ..	"	12....	12.00	M. NOONDAY PRAYER. Prayer and forgive- ness. Mark xi. 24-33. Rev. H. Mel- ville.
				8.00 P.M. YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. A. Munro.
SUNDAY.....	"	13 ...	3.00 P.M.	EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS.
				8.30 P.M. GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. D. C. Forbes.

*Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.*

## RAILROAD MEETING.

SUNDAY, Aug. 13, 3.00 P.M.—Gospel Meeting at Union Station.