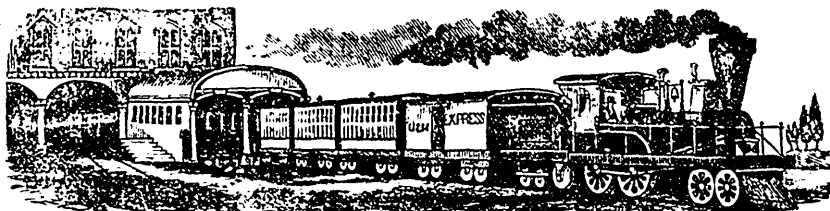


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"Believe on the Lord
Jesus Christ and thou
shalt be saved."

Acts xvi. 31.

INJURED MEN AT HOME,



CHARLES Monkhouse, who was injured at the Union Depot, is doing well. The crushed foot will be saved.

Baggageman Scarlet, injured at Prescott, is progressing favourably.

Mr. Arthur H. King, Express messenger on G. T. R., who got severely bruised in the Prescott accident, is getting well. Thanks to the excellent care bestowed by mother and wife.

The number of accidents that have lately taken place should speak very plainly to all about making the matter of

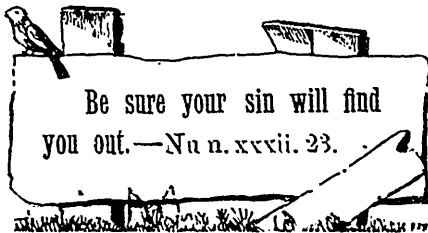
their salvation sure, for one knows how soon he may have notice to quit the scene that now is known so well.

By special arrangement with the Board of Directors, Railway men, upon the payment of \$2.00 per annum to the Railway Committee, are now entitled to all the privileges of the General Association.

PERSONALS.

Mr. J. B. Griffith, Ticket Agent, G. W. R. has been off on two weeks vacation and has visited the sea side, and some of the principle cities in the east. We shall be glad to see him back again.

Mr. Adam MaGuire, late baggage master at the G. W. R. Station in Toronto, has been removed to London. We wish him God speed with his family, in his new sphere of service.



RESPONSIBILITY.



OD says "WHEN thou buildest a new house, THEN *thou* shalt make a battlement for thy roof, that thou bring not blood upon thine house if any man fall from thence." Deut. 22: 8.

That the Railroad enterprise of to-day constitute an immense new edifice, having on its roof tens of thousands of precious lives perpetually exposed to great danger, is a fact that all admit;—that thousands annually fall therefrom, and lose their lives, entailing untold distress on widows, mothers, and fatherless children, no one will attempt to deny.

That a large proportion of these are ushered into the presence of the "Judge of all the earth" without a moments warning, unprepared for eternity, and laid in the grave without any hope of a blessed resurrection, are stern facts that some one has to deal with, and for which the erectors of this house are upon the authcrity of God's word, responsible.

Not only are these men in continual danger, but are also deprived of many social and religious privileges while running this establishment for the public weal. Think of it,—800,000 men liable at any moment to be hurled (in the majority of cases) unprepared out of time into eternity. Now can nothing be done? Is no one responsible? Listen to what Mr. Dan P. Eels, of Cleveland, said at the International Convention of Y. M. C. A., in reference to Railroad men, and the effort to erect a battlement for their salvation. He is a railroad magnate himself, and his words should be heeded.

"Where is the limit of this obligation? My friends are my neighbors; those to whom I am under obligations are my neighbors. Our Saviour said the man who falls among thieves is your neighbor, it makes no difference what his circumstances are, if he falls among thieves he is your neighbor. The obligation is to stretch out your hand to care and provide for him."

The railroad men are those to whom you commit your lives and your property.

They stand at the very helm of all the conveyances, of all the ships, to which you commit your business. If the railroads should stop, business and everything would stop. These men should be Christian men. They should be men with the fear of God—they should be men that you could trust. How can you make them so? Some say, give them libraries! Some say educate them, so I say, too. This is what we can do, but it is not enough; we must give them the same privileges that we enjoy ourselves. Where you only minister to their earthly comfort you have gone a good way, but not far enough—you must reach their hearts. The body is more than the raiment—the soul is more than the body it inhabits; for it contains all that is moral and intellectual. You may administer to their comfort, you may administer to their taste and to their ambition, but it is not enough until you reach their hearts, and provide for their immortal necessities. This is where this association is doing so much. It is not ten years since this great work, which has the indorsement of all the best railroad men—yea, all of them—it is not ten years since its work commenced in this great city.

We must do for these men as we do for ourselves as far as we can. We must not cease until the measure of the obligation as laid down in the Scripture is reached. There I think is where the great work of this association is to terminate, and only there, when that end is accomplished.

I rejoice in this work that has been inaugurated for the railroad men. It seems to be the practical idea in Christian life. To young men seems to belong the practical work of carrying the Gospel just where it is wanted for the poor."

There is no section of the community that can stand aloof from this work—all are interested therein, for every one is benefited by this greatest nineteenth century enterprise. The companies, where this work is most successfully carried on, recognize that every dollar expended thereon is more than returned in rolling stock. it pays, no matter how it is viewed, and the expense of the "Battlement" the life protector of which God speaks should

be borne in equal shares by the Railway Corporations, the employees and the public, for all are equal shares in the benefit derived therefrom. At present there are many men who bless the day that the work was inaugurated in Toronto. We most cordially invite the co-operation of every believer in the Lord Jesus to give us a push forward in any way they can, for help is very much needed. Let every saved man come forward and testify for the Lord Jesus who saved him, thereby winning others to the Saviour who died for them, for until all have done what they can, they are not free from responsibility. Let us all then be able with Paul to say:—"Wherefore I take you to record this day that I am pure from the blood of all men, for I have not shunned to declare unto all the council of God." Acts 20 : 26-27.



SOME of our friends may not be aware that the Railway Committee of the Y. M. C. A. have an entirely separate fund and treasurer, and the work from the first has been supported by voluntary contributions. At present our treasury is empty, and we have not wherewith to meet the claims upon us. We should be very glad to receive any amount for the work from those who may feel well disposed toward this effort which has been blessed of God in the salvation of very many of our Railway Men.

READY! WEIGHED, AND NOT FOUND WANTING.



A POCKET Testament was the only book found on the engineer Howarth, killed at the Prescott railway accident." John Howarth was a man who displayed heroism of the highest order, meeting his death while in the conscientious discharge of his duty, and when his lifeless body was discovered the only article that was found upon it was his pocket Testament, which bore evidences in the carefully

marked passages of frequent use and study, under circumstances far less favourable and convenient than many thousands enjoy. Many friends have valued the unobstructive, yet manly and Christian character of John Howarth in his life and in his death.

THE TRAIN OF SALVATION.

TUNE:—"Now Just a word for Jesus."

Aboard: for New Jerusalem,
The city of our God;
The train is at the Depot now,
T'will soon be on the road.

Chorus.—Now all aboard *with* Jesus,
T'is dangerous to delay;
"Behold this is the accepted time"
This is Salvation's day,

There is no fare for you to pay,
The passes all are free;
The price was paid long, long ago,
By Christ at Calvary.—Chorus.

The Gospel train has waited long,
Is waiting still for you;
To get aboard for Zionville,
Is the best for you to do.—Chorus,

No other chance you'll ever get,
If you should miss this train;
For Jesus is the only way,
"There is none other name."—Chorus

Oh: then be wise obtain the prize.
And up to glory go;
T'is all first class aboard this train,
And a place prepared for you—Chorus.

No baggage you will need to take,
Upon Salvation's way;
The God of Grace, your need supplies,
From His rich store each day.—Chor.

When you're aboard with Christ the Lord,
With all your sins forgiven;
Invite your friends to come along,
And go with you to heaven.—Chorus.

Whosoever believeth in the Lord Jesus Christ shall be saved.

HOSPITAL NOTES.



THOMAS Kelham, Brakeman of G. T. R., who had his foot run over at Whitby ten months ago, has had a very severe time of it. The leg did not heal after the first amputation, and a second had to be undergone which brought him very low, but we are pleased to be able to report that he is progressing most favourably now. But the greatest pleasure is caused by the fact that he recognizes most clearly in the accident, the gracious designs of God in the Redemption of his soul, the forgiveness of his sins, according to the riches of God's grace. He is now rejoicing in the Lord who has so loved him, and the last thing we heard him say was that his sole desire is to know Christ and God's word, and bring

others to experience the joy he has in the Lord.

A man named Richmond who was employed in the G. T. R., yard, who had his leg broken by jumping from the express near Parkdale progresses but slowly. The first time it was set it did not knit, but now he is going in the right direction. He is happy in the Lord.

Fireman Donohue also had to undergo a second operation on account of the peculiar shape of the foot, but his progress was remarkable, and he has left the Hospital two weeks.

Brakeman Fligg is still in the Hospital but his hand is doing well.

Brakeman Doyle is progressing favourably. He comes daily to have his crushed hand dressed.



PROGRAMME FOR SEPT.



COTTAGE MEETINGS.

Every Thursday at 8 p.m. No. 81 Mercer Street.
 Noon Meeting every Wednesday from 12.30 to 1 p.m., at Toronto, Grey & Bruce Workshops.

SUNDAY GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE.

3 P.M.

UNION DEPOT.

SUNDAY, Sept. 4	W. E. Burford, Jos. Greene.
" " 11	Daniel Doran, Alf. Sandham.
" " 18	W. J. McClure, Rev. A. Moore.
" " 25	Wm. Anderson, Dr. McCarroll.

NIPISSING STATION.

SUNDAY, Sept. 4	Alexander Gay.
" " 11	Bible Reading. "Ruth." R. R. Secretary.
" " 18	Wm. Anderson, J. I. Dorland.
" " 25	Jos. Greene, A. Munro.

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