


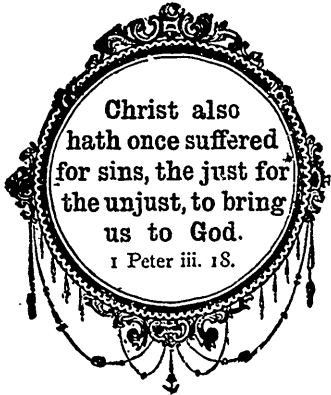
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STRANGERS
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE
That the Rooms of the
TORONTO YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,
ARE IN ITS BUILDING,
SHAFTESBURY HALL
Corner Queen and James Sts.,
ONE BLOCK WEST OF YONGE STREET.
Rooms open daily from 8 a.m. till 10 p.m.
You will be cordially welcomed.

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Workers..... \$2 50

GONE SOUTH.

OUR worthy President, Hon. S. H. Blake, has gone south to attend the International Sabbath School Convention at Louisville, Kentucky. Mr. Blake was elected chairman of the last Convention (held at Toronto), and we can only express the hope that the present Convention may secure as his successor, a man of equal executive ability and fitness for such a responsible and honourable position.

VISITORS.

DURING the past week we have been favoured with visits from many of our brother Secretaries while on their way to the Conference at Montreal. We were pleased to meet them, and hear of their success in the work. We were glad to note that the feeling in favor of more practical *spiritual* work for young men is gradually increasing. We feel certain that if the

He hath made Him to be sin for us, Who knew no sin, that we might be made the Righteousness of God in Him.—2 Cor. v. 21.

Him hath God exalted to be a Prince and a Saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins.—Acts v 31.

Associations are to maintain their present position, and retain the sympathies of right thinking Christians, there must be a breaking away from much that now threatens to strangle their spiritual life.

UNDER CANVAS.

THE Volunteers in Military District No. 2, will this year be in camp on the Military Commons near the Old Fort, Toronto. Col. Denison, Adj.-Gen., will be in command, and he has not only given his official consent to our erecting a tent, but has assigned us a most prominent position within his lines. For several years past we have been aided by the Colonel in our work, and with his increased knowledge of the work comes increased personal interest in it. We wish to secure the aid of a young man to play the organ and lead the singing during the ten days of the camp. Is there any Christian young man free to do this work for the Lord. We also want about a dozen young men to volunteer for singing at one or two Church Parade services, to be conducted Sabbath 22nd and 29th by the Military Chaplain. We have a supply of the hymns and music to be used (kindly furnished by Colonel Denison). Now, brethren, here is a field in which, at little sacrifice, you can do good service for the Master. "Come and help us."

EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS

HELD

EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON,

AT 3 O'CLOCK.

All Welcome.

ENQUIRERS.

AT the enquiry meeting held after our last Sunday evening's Gospel service, there were four persons who testified their desire to know the way of salvation.

WHEN FOUND, MAKE A NOTE OF IT.

HAVE you ever noticed these words printed on the back of a Scrap Book? Have you ever taken time to think of their meaning? They mean, (1) that the item found is something rare; (2) that it has been sought for by some; (3) that it is a question whether you will ever meet with it again.

This line of thought has been suggested by reading in an exchange Bulletin an article headed, "Publish it." The writer of that article wishes it to be known that they have a case of a young man having been led to the Lord Jesus Christ in their rooms, and that he had been attracted to the Association by THE GYMNASIUM.

Now that the fact is published, let us also publish some of the details of this case, so that a note may also be made, and similar failure be avoided in the future. It appears that while this "tall, manly fellow, muscular and strong, and looking every inch a man," must have been a member of the Association for some months at least; it was only when he came to bid "good bye as he was leaving for the far west to settle in life," that he appears to have been approached on the subject of his eternal welfare. Now, this means one of two things: either, 1st, that his connection with the gymnasium had not brought him very closely into contact with the legitimate work of the Association; or, 2nd, that very little Christian work was done in that gymnasium; and these two points fully cover the

This is life eternal, that they might Thee, the only true God and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.—John xvii. 3.

I am the Living Bread which came down from Heaven : if any man eat of this Bread he shall live for ever.—John vi. 51.

ground taken by all who conscientiously object to *amusements* as a branch of Association work.

We admit that if a whole-souled, spiritually minded man could be secured as instructor in a gymnasium,—a man possessed of skill in physical culture, and wisdom in spiritual devising, he might do a good work in building up some physically weak Christian young men; but we venture to say that such a man would have very few opportunities for working upon any others, for the simple reason, *they would not come round.*

The Bulletin article closes; "Let those who decry secular agencies see, that God can even make wooden horses to redound to his glory." This we question, for it is evident that if the young man referred to, had not been leaving the *wooden horse*, he would not have heard a living voice, pleading with him to accept salvation. One thing is certain, the Wooden Horse did all it was made for. The other very nearly failed to do so, and would have failed altogether if God had not thrust the work upon him.

The work of God does not, cannot need the work of the devil to forward it.—*John Wesley.*

REDEEMING THE TIME.

"**S**AND grains are easily scattered; but skillful artificers gather, melt and transmute them into glass, of which they make mirrors, lenses and telescopes. Even so, vigilant Christians improve paranthetic fragments of time, employing them in self-examination, acts of faith and researches of holy truth, by which they become looking-glasses for their souls, and telescopes revealing their promised heaven."

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Every Monday Evening,
AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL INVITED.

ONLY ONE DAY AT A TIME.

CERTAIN lady had met with a serious accident, which necessitated a very painful surgical operation and many months' confinement to her bed. When the physician had finished his work and was about taking his leave, the patient asked, "Doctor, how long shall I have to lie here helpless?" "Oh, only one day at a time," was the cheery answer, and the poor sufferer was not only comforted for a moment, but for many times during the succeeding weary weeks did the thought, "Only one day at a time," come with its quieting influence. I think it was Sidney Smith who recommended taking "short views" as a good safeguard against needless worry; and One, far wiser than he, said, "Take, therefore, no thought for the morrow : for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."—*Selected.*

REMEMBER

—THE—

YOUNG MEN'S MEETING
HELD
Every Saturday Evening,
AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.
COME.

I am the Light of the world ; he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the Light of Life.—John viii. 12.

READ THE STATEMENT.



REMEMBER a story that they told me in the north of England, of one Christian, a rather remarkable miner, who in the earlier days of his Christian life was much tempted to doubt his conversion. To circumvent the devil, he hit at last on the following device: He was no scholar, but he sought out somebody who could write, and made him describe on paper all the particulars of his conversion, the date, the place, the hour, what a great sinner he had been, how joyful God had made him, and what a wonderful change had been wrought in his life. When it was all written, he folded it up, put it in his pocket, and the next time that doubts were presented by Satan, he pulled out the paper, and spreading it forth, said: "There Devil, if thou canst read writin', there's the whole account of it." After this, Christian says he was no more troubled in that point.

"I THINK we need to set apart, early in each day, a portion of time for our Bible reading and prayer. If we do not do it then, we are apt to let it go by. Many persons spend an hour a day on the newspaper, but have not time for a few minutes every morning for the Bible. Better *glance* at the paper, and *read* your morning portion of the Word reverently and regularly, than *read* the paper through and only *glance* at your Bible. Do you say you have not time? Take it! Time taken for regular Bible reading will in the end save you many hours; besides, it will prepare and strengthen you for the business and household cares of daily life."

GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING,

AT 8.30 O'CLOCK.

Good Singing. Short Gospel Addresses.

COME.

BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK.

SUNDAY, JUNE 15.

Bible Class at 3 p.m., and Gospel and Song Service at 8.30, followed by an enquiry meeting at 9.15. All invited.

MONDAY, JUNE 16.

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 17.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Purified by Blood. Heb. ix. 11-15; 1 John i. 7. Rev A. Gay.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 18.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Without Humility no Preference in Christ's Kingdom. Luke xiv. 7-11. R. Sims.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19.

12 to 12.45 noon.—"Consider Him." Heb. xii. 1-3; 1 Peter ii. 23, 24. S. R. Briggs.
8.00 p.m.—Workers' Meeting for Prayer.

FRIDAY JUNE 20.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Pain Preferable to Sin. Mark ix. 43-46. Rev. H. Melville
7.30 p.m.—BOY'S MEETING.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Glorious Ending of a Faithful Life 2 Tim. iv. 6-8. Rev. J. Salmon.
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. Gartshore.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22.

3.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Bible Class. H. B. Gordon.
Deaf Mute Class. F. S. Bridgen.
Chinese Class. W. M. Morse.
Italian's Class.
8.30 p.m.—Gospel and Song Service. D. C. Forbes.
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 22.

8 p.m.—Union Station. John MacGregor and P. A. Hertz.

TEACHER'S BIBLE CLASS

HELD

Every Saturday Afternoon,

AT 4.30 O'CLOCK,