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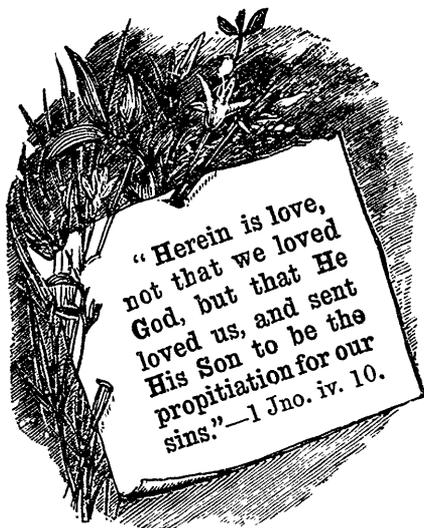
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THE demand for BULLETINS is increasing and the plea made by the workers at a recent meeting was so strong that we cannot see any reason why we should hesitate in increasing the issue. The Master for whom we work will see that the wherewithal is forthcoming to meet the increased expenditure. We have (or desire to have) but one object in publishing the BULLETIN—"God's glory in the salvation of young men." Will you help the BULLETIN in this work, by your prayers.

WANTED.

NO'S. 13 and 36, vol. 2, and No. 10, vol. 3, of the *Shaftesbury Hall Bulletin*. We will be thankful if any of our friends can furnish these missing numbers.

WORKERS' MEETING.

THE monthly social gathering of our workers was held Thursday, 26th ult. There was a large attendance, and with a deep spiritual tone pervading the gathering, there was also combined an unusual degree of earnest zeal, and desire to reach out after the young men of the city. Several new fields of labor were suggested, and we thank God that there was a readiness to enter them.

A gentleman was present for the first time, and at the close he was asked whether he had enjoyed the gathering. He replied, "I came here actuated by a feeling of *curiosity* to know about the work, gradually that feeling was lost in one of *deep interest*, and as I listened to the earnest words and heard the reports of the workers, I became *amazed* at the amount of solid work being so quietly carried on."

We relate this, not to exalt the Association, or its workers, but to show that we have cause for deep gratitude to God for His presence with us.

We feel assured that all acquainted with the details of our work, will bear us out in the statement, that at no period during the past three years has the staff been better organized or been doing more solid work for the Master.

The Committees are fully manned, and are at the work assigned them.

"God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son."
John v. 11.

"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus."—Rom. viii. 1.

One or two departments which have been *at rest*, have been *resuscitated*. This is especially the case with our committee for "Visiting the Sick" (an important work). This committee is now ready for service, in fact, is at work, and the Secretary or Assistant Sec. will be pleased to receive names of young strangers who may be ill in boarding houses, &c.

The Invitation Committee has renewed its youth, and as the result of vigorous work, the meetings are increasing in attendance.

MEETING FOR BIBLE STUDY.

THE eighth annual meeting for Bible Study is expected to take place at Niagara, Ontario, and to continue for eight days, beginning Wednesday, July 25th., at 9 a. m., and closing Wednesday at 4 p. m. From three to four hours each day will be spent in the study of the Scriptures on various topics pertaining to the Word of God itself, and to Redemption in its past, present and future relations, and to Christian life and service.

GEORGE WILLIAMS.

MR. S. R. BRIGGS of the Willard Tract Depository of this city, has secured the services of a thoroughly competent artist, who is now engaged in modelling a life-size bust of Geo. Williams, Esq., the founder of Y. M. C. A.'s as they now exist. A copy of this, will form a handsome addition to the decoration of Association Parlors. Mr. Briggs is prepared to receive orders for copies of the bust. The price (which will be reasonable at any rate) will be finally settled by the number of orders received.

TWO GRAND TRUTHS.

Jesus
Every
Sinners'
Unchangeable
Saviour.

Jesus
Exactly
Suits
Us
Sinners.

A MEETING FOR ENQUIRERS

IS HELD

EVERY MONDAY EVENING, FROM 7-30 TILL 9.

In Parlor C. (up stairs) Shaftesbury Hall.

A YOUNG MAN'S HISTORY IN BRIEF.



FIRST I saw him in a social party; he took but one glass of wine, and that at the urgent solicitation of a young lady to whom he had been introduced.

I next saw him, when he supposed he was unseen, taking a glass to satisfy a slight desire. He mocked at the thought of danger.

I next saw him, late in the evening, in the street, unable to walk home. I assisted him thither, and we parted.

I next saw him reeling out of a low groggery; a confused stare was on his countenance, and words of blasphemy were on his tongue, and shame was gone

I saw him once more, he was cold and motionless, and was carried by his friends to his last resting place. In the small procession that followed, every heart was cast down. His father's grey hairs were going to the grave with sorrow; his mother wept that she had given birth to such a child.

I returned home, musing on his future state. I opened the Bible, and read. "Be not deceived; drunkards shall not inherit the kingdom of God."

Young men beware of the first glass.

EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS

HELD

EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON,

AT 3 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

All are invited.

"God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet Sinners, Christ died for us."—Rom. v. 8.

"WHOSOEVER shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."—Rom. x. 13.

ANOTHER MIXTURE.



WE have received an exchange in which is printed the following colloquy:—"Have you had a revival in your Church?" "No; We have not had a conversion for these ten or twelve years." Well, what are you doing?" "O, we are having the grandest fair you ever saw; the seats are all taken up in the church; we have a promenade concert every night, and a shooting gallery, and a grab-bag, and a post-office, and the ladies dress up in all sorts of old-fashioned costumes. We expect to clear \$1,200." "What is to be done with it?" It is to fit up a church parlor. "And so they wrap it up." (Micah vii. 3.) "And what will ye do in the end thereof?" The above is not a supposed, but a real case.—*N. Y. Christian Advocate.*

It is hard to realize the above to be true, but a perusal of the exchange referred to, fully convinces us that "truth is stranger than fiction." The paper is published in the interests of a mission work, and one whole page is devoted to editorial notices of the work from which we gather the following:—

"Our special effort—to finish the building—is affording ample scope for consecrated talent. How much of such work, almost unseen, save by the eye of the Master has been attempted by our members, few can tell * * * Our people are zealous of good works. We had first a *healthful rivalry* awakened about class boxes; then *competition* started respecting *collecting most names* and filling squares in the *Autograph Quilt*. Next we learn that at the *Bazaar* all are going to try and *do better than the best*. Of the Bazaar we are told the * * * will be re-opened by a Grand Fancy Sale and Bazaar. Amongst the things *curious and novel* will be the * * * *Autograph Quilt* * * * One of the Brethren offers to supply during the sale, plain and fancy glass and earthenware so that we can give good re-

tail prices etc. If you do not wish to purchase, ten cents will be well spent in seeing the exhibit. We have a number of curiosities. Preparation is being made for a first-class concert. Full particulars at an early date."

Now if we substitute the "Crockery" for the "Shooting Gallery" and the "Quilt" for the Grab-bag, we have the "Christian Advocate's colloquy" repeated. We say "away with such arrant nonsense; but if men will be guilty of such parodies on religion, let them not talk about *consecrated* talent. That word reminds us of a discussion during a convention many years ago, when a young man urged that we should have everything the Devil used in his work, such as Billiards, Games, etc. etc. When he was done speaking, an aged member arose and said, "And what would you do with them when you got them?" "What would I do? Why, sanctify them, consecrate them to the Lord's work!"

"That is very good, my brother," added the old man, "and when you have learned *how* to do it, just drop a line to me at * * * and we will consider whether we can't add another of the Devil's tools in the same way, and dispense consecrated liquors." The point was clear, and the young man had no more to say about consecrated billiards, or sanctified Dominoes. Brethren it cannot be done, therefore don't waste time upon the experiment.

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

EVERY MONDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK,

ALL INVITED.

"Jesus saith, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."—John x. 10.

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 May 7, 1883.

MONDAY....	May	7....	12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING. The Secretary.
			7.30 P.M.		MEETING FOR ENQUIRERS in Parlour "C."
			8 00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS, in Parlor "B." Conducted by the Secretary.
TUESDAY.....	"	8 ..	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Rev. J. Salmon.
WEDNESDAY..	"	9 ..	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. F. Aston.
THURSDAY..	"	10 ..	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. J. J. Gartshore.
FRIDAY	"	11 ...	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. R. Merryfield.
			8.00 P.M.		BOYS' MEETING.
SATURDAY ..	"	12....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Assis't. Sec.
			4.50 P.M.		TEACHERS' BIBLE CLASS. Hon. S. H. Blake.
			8.00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. J. Adams.
SUNDAY.....	"	13....	3.00 P.M.		EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS.
			8.30 P.M.		GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE.

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

RAILROAD MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, May 13, 3.00 P.M.—Gospel Meetings at Union Station, and at the Rooms of the Parkdale Branch R. R. Y.M.C.A.

Noon Meeting every Wednesday from 12.30 to 12.55, in Toronto, Grey and Bruce Workshops.

Cottage Meetings every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday Evenings.