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Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men.

Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.

For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall.

For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence.

But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

—Prov. iv. 14-18.

BULLETIN FUND.

The following amounts have been received since our last acknowledgment:

Some Friends	\$5.25
Mrs. S. H.....	1.00

OUR WORKERS.

THE plan adopted two months ago appears to meet with the hearty approval of our workers, as evidenced in the large turn out on Thursday evening last, when, notwithstanding the heavy rain, thirty-five of our most earnest and active workers assembled. After tea, which was served at 6.30, an hour was spent in prayer and Bible reading. The

several Committees then met in different rooms, and talked over the work performed, and laid plans for renewed efforts. Some new workers were added to the staff in connection with boarding house visitation. Taking the meeting altogether it was cheering, and we feel much encouraged and hopeful of a good work being done in the Lord's name, on behalf of young men.

DEAF MUTES' CLASS.

FRIENDS forming this class were provided with a social tea, on Friday evening last, by Mr. Nasmith, the Chairman of the Committee. A goodly number of deaf mutes with their wives and friends were present, and an enjoyable evening was spent.

CLASSES.

OUR Classes will open during the first week in December.

They will be as follows:

Book-keeping, by Mr. P. McIntyre, every Thursday at 8 p.m.

Phonography, by Mr. A. McIntyre, and Architectural and Mechanical Drawing, by Mr. H. B. Gordon, every Friday at 8 p.m.

Members desiring to enter any of these Classes will please hand in their names to the Assistant-Secretary, at the Rooms, prior to the first of December.

OUR BULLETIN.

INCREASED demand has been made for the Bulletin, and to meet this we have, (in dependence upon God for the means needed to pay for the same,) published an additional number during the past

two weeks. If the work is the Lord's, the extra expense will be cared for by Him.

TESTIMONY.

SOME weeks ago a lady called to ask us, on behalf of her son, for a letter of introduction to the Association at Buffalo. We did so, and a few days since the lady returned to thank us for the same, saying that her son had presented the letter, and had been most kindly received, and aided in his search for employment.

THANKS.

WE are indebted to Russell Sturgess, Esq., of Boston, for a copy of "Africa, a missionary journal." This is to be received at our rooms for one year from date. We are open for similar favours from others.

DURING a recent visit to Buffalo, we had the pleasure of looking over the building now in course of erection for the Association in that city. It has a commanding position, and is evidently laid out with a view to the needs of the work. The Association is doing a good work, under the leadership of Mr. Squires, the General Secretary; and with the increased facilities which the new building will afford, we believe the work will prove even more beneficial in the future.

DARE YOU RISK YOUR SOUL?

Weigh well the practice of sin, and ponder this question—

WILL IT PAY?

REMEMBER,

"The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."—Romans 6: 23.

A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.

—Prov. xxii. 1.

PERSONAL.

OUR workers will regret to learn that Mr. W. Russell, who for the past three years worked so earnestly with us, is very ill at his home in Ormstown, Que. He writes that he knows not what may be the result of the illness, but he leaves it all in the hands of "Him who doeth all things well."

READER!—This may not be **THE** last day, but it may be **THY** last day! Your account **MUST** be great, and it **MAY** be near. How are you prepared to meet it?

O be earnest!—do not stay;
Thou mayest perish *e'en to-day*:
Rise, thou lost one, rise and flee;
Lo! the Saviour waits for thee.

YOUNG MEN'S

BIBLE CLASS

EVERY MONDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK,

ALL INVITED.

CHRISTIAN, BEWARE.

IF you find yourself beginning to love any pleasure better than your prayers, any book better than your Bible, any house better than God's, any table better than the Lord's, any person better than your Saviour, any one better than your soul, a present indulgence better than the hopes of Heaven, TAKE ALARM."—*Dr. Guthrie.*

JOHNNY'S REASON.

ACIRCUS came to town, and everybody knows how the music and the grand tent and horses set all the boys agog. Quarters and shillings are in great demand, and many a choice bit of money have the circus-riders carried away which was meant for better purposes.

A little boy was seen looking around the premises with a great deal of curiosity. "Hallo, Johnny," said a man who knew him, "going to the circus?"

"No, sir," answered Johnny, "father don't like 'em."

"Oh, well, I'll give you the money to go, Johnny," said the man.

"Father don't approve of them," answered Johnny.

"Well, go in for once, and I'll pay for you."

"No, sir," said Johnny, "my father would give me the money if he thought 'twere best; besides I've got twenty-five cents in my strong box—twice enough to go."

"I'd go for once; it's wonderful the way the horses do," said the man.

"Your father needn't know it."

"I can't," said the boy.

"Now, why?" asked the man.

"'Cause," said Johnny, twirling his bare toes in the sand, "after I've been, I couldn't look my father right in the eye, but I can now."—*Brooklyn Boy's Paper.*

"SHOW ME CHRIST."

HIS suggestive incident comes to us uncredited, but loses none of its interest for being anonymous:

A blind man from his birth, a man of much intellectual vigor and with many

engaging social qualities, found a woman, who, appreciating his worth, was willing to cast her lot with him and became his wife. Several bright, beautiful children became theirs, who tenderly and equally loved their parents.

An eminent French surgeon while in this country called upon them, and examining the blind man with much interest and care, said to him:

"Your blindness is wholly artificial: your eyes are naturally good, and could have given you sight. It is barely possible that I can do it now, though it will cause you much pain."

"I can bear that," was the reply, "so you but enable me to see."

The surgeon operated upon him and was gradually successful; first there were faint glimmerings of light, then more distinct vision.

The blind father was handed a rose, he had smelt one before, but had never seen one; then he looked upon the face of his wife, who had been so true and faithful to him; then his children were brought, whom he had so often fondled, and whose charming prattle had often fallen upon his ears, but whose beaming countenance he had never beheld. He then exclaimed:

"Oh, why have I not seen these things before! Show me the doctor!" and when he was pointed out to him he embraced him with tears of gratitude and joy.

So when we reach Heaven, and with unclouded eyes look upon its glories, we shall not be content with these. No, we shall say, "Where is Christ? He to whom I am indebted for what Heaven is; show me Him, that with all my soul I may adore Him and praise Him through endless ages."

Remember

THE

EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS

HELD

Every Sunday Afternoon,

AT 3 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

All are invited.

REMEMBER

—THE—
Young Men's Meeting,

HELD
EVERY SATURDAY EVENING.
AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

COME!

GOSPEL AND SONG
SERVICE,

Every Sunday Evening,
AT 8.30.

GOOD SINGING.
SHORT GOSPEL ADDRESSES.

COME!

Bulletin for Week Commencing Nov. 20, 1882.

MONDAY.....	Nov. 20....	12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING. Secretary.
				8.00 P.M. WORKERS' BIBLE CLASS. Conducted by the Secretary.
TUESDAY.....	" 21....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. R. Merryfield.
WEDNESDAY.	" 22....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. W. Marks.
THURSDAY...	" 23....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Rev. J. Salmon.
FRIDAY	" 24....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Assistant Sec'y. 8.00 P.M. BOYS' MEETING. J. J. Findlay.
SATURDAY ..	" 25....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. W. E. Burford. 8.00 P.M. YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. J. J. Gartshore
SUNDAY.....	" 26...	3.00	P.M.	EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS. S. R. Briggs 8.30 P.M. GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. R. Kilgour.

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

RAILROAD MEETING.

SUNDAY, Nov. 26, 3.00 P.M.—Gospel Meeting at Union Station, and Credit Valley Station, Parkdale.