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"He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them."

Heb. vii. 25.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

We are indebted to a kind friend for the gift of a valuable eight day clock for Shaftesbury Hall. This gift is the better appreciated having come without any solicitation. The friend had repeatedly attended the meetings held in the hall, and realizing how much comfort and convenience a clock would afford, without any talk, went out and ordered one to be sent with a written guarantee. We thank the donor, and hope he may long be spared to look the clock in the face.

N. B.—We desire to say that there are many little articles of furniture and decoration which we yet lack, and which serve to make Association rooms attractive and comfortable. Please come in and look round for yourself. It may be that your eye may rest on the vacant spots, and if you wish to know where the desired articles may be purchased we shall willingly give directions.

WE are also grateful to Mrs. Dr. Aikins for a gift of eight volumes of History, Travels, &c. These are very acceptable, and especially so at the present time, when we have in consideration plans for extending our Library.

REV. E. Payson Hammond held a meeting for prayer, praise and bible reading in Shaftesbury Hall every morning during the past week. The afternoon and evening meetings held in Elm Street Methodist Church were well attended.

GYMNASIUM.

OUR gymnasium classes have been closed. The committee has under consideration some important changes in this department, but beyond discontinuing the classes, no definite arrangements have been made.

LECTURE COURSE.

THE last lecture on the course will be delivered Tuesday evening next by Rev. Dr. Peck. The reputation of the lecturer should command a large audience. The subject chosen is "Golden Opportunities and Golden Men."

PERSONAL WORK.

THE young men of this land will not be saved by preaching to them in large audiences so much as in personal work. It is the hand-to-hand and heart-to-heart work that will win the young men to Christ. Every active member of our Association should be an ambassador for God, every day, by preaching the gospel to some one. Opportunities without number will come to us, if we are willing to be used. The best audience you can have is a single young man. Let us practice more of this personal kind of preaching, and we shall reap an abundant harvest.—*Y. M. C. A. Bulletin, Montgomery, Ala.*

"In whom we have
R E D E M P T I O N
 through his blood,
 even
 the forgiveness of sins."

BEWARE OF WORLDLY COMPROMISE.

IT is getting to be too much the fashion to compromise. A compromise may do in politics - though even there it rarely works well long. But, as some one has well said, "on moral and religious questions a compromise is treason to the right." La Fayette once illuminated the compromise in this way: "Two men get into an altercation about arithmetic. Twice two are four, says one stoutly. No, replies the other, twice two are six. Both are unyielding, and the dispute waxes warm. A third person approaches, and lays a hand gently on each. Gentlemen, he says, reason is not infallible. The wisest and best men have erred. We are all prone to rush to extremes. You, my friend, affirm that twice two are four. You, who are equally my friend, affirm that twice two are six. Compromise, my friends, compromise. Meet each other half way. Agree to say, hereafter, twice two are *five*."

It is thus that too many Christians are trying to compromise. God says, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God, with *all* thy heart, and with *all* thy soul, and with *all* thy mind. The compromising Christian says, "I will love Him with *half* my heart and with the other half I will love the world." Compromising Christians go further. They go with the world and pursue their pleasures six and a-half days of the week, and quiet their consciences by a half day's attendance at church, when the weather is fine and they feel in the right mood. Their piety hath this extent, no more.

—N. Y. Guardian.

• Come to the meeting in the Member's Parlor to-morrow, Sunday 6th, at 3 p.m.



THE GRAIN AND THE GRIT.

With pleasure I mark how the fowl takes her food,
 With instinct, by God, her Creator, endued;
 Though greedy for grain, yet on guard against hurt,
 She ricks up the seed and she shakes off the dirt.

The grain she rejects not, because of the grit,
 But, cleansing it first, she disdains not a bit;
 The dirt she refuses, but freely she feeds
 On any choice morsels, or nourishing seeds.

What careful discretion in her do I see!
 But am I as wise in my feeding as she?
 Know I how to gather the Truth's precious seed,
 For strength, for refreshment, and grace in my need?

The pure, incorruptible, seed of the Word,
 By which I have life, and with blessing have heard,
 By God has been given the soul to sustain,
 And, coming from Him, it is all go den grain.

But, may-be, the servant who scatters the seed,
 To keep it in pureness has not ta'en heed;
 And so, with the grain, he may mingle some dirt,
 Which, if I should swallow, would do me some hurt.

Then, what shall I do? Why, take heed *what* I hear,
 The grain from the grit and the gravel keep clear;
 Thus, feed on the food which the Lord doth provide,
 And cast all the rubbish and refuse aside.

So shall I use rightly my circumcis'd ear,
 While watching my heart as to *how* I should hear;
 All things must I prove, but the good only hold,
 And treasure the Truth that's more precious than gold. [Selected.]

"Prove all things, hold fast that which is good." (1 Thess. v. 21.)

"Take heed, *what* ye hear." (Mark iv. 24.)

"Take heed *how* ye hear." (Luke viii. 18.)

"The ear trieth words, as the mouth tasteth meat." (Job xxxiv. 3.)

.....COME.....

TO THE

EVANGELISTIC SERVICE,

In the Members' Parlor,

Shaftesbury Hall,

—ON—

SUNDAY, MARCH 6th, at 3 P.M.

Short Addresses by MESSRS. W. P. CROMBIE, S. R. BRIGGS, and others.

LAST OF THE LECTURE COURSE

REV. DR. PECK.

Shaftesbury Hall, Tuesday, Mar. 8th

SUBJECT.

"Golden Opportunities and
Golden Men."

TICKETS, 50c. and 25c

Bulletin for Week Commencing March 7, 1881.

MONDAY.....	Mar. 7	12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING. Psalm c. Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, B. D.
	"	8.00 P.M.		WORKERS' MEETING FOR PRAYER.
TUESDAY.....	"	8... 12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. What man forgets. Ps. cvi. 6, 7, 13, 14, 19-21. Rev. S. T. Sims.
WEDNESDAY..	"	9... 12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Why Jesus became poor. Matt. xxviii. 18; viii. 20; 2 Cor. viii. 9. Rev. Dr. Reid.
THURSDAY....	"	10... 12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. An unexpected call to a special work. Ex. iii, 1-14. Rev. T. W. Campbell
	"	8.00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS. The Secretary
FRIDAY.....	"	11... 12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Murmurers Punished. Num. xiv. 26-34. R. Kilgour
	"	8.00 P.M.		BOYS' MEETING. Charles Edwards.
SATURDAY.....	"	12... 12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. The Christian's food. 1 Peter ii. 1-3.
	"	4.50 P.M.		TEACHER'S BIBLE CLASS. Hon. S. H. Blake
	"	8.00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. The Sinner's friend. Luke vii. 36-50. W. E. Burford.
SUNDAY.....	"	13... 9.30 A.M.		WORKER'S MEETING FOR PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY.
	"	3.00 P.M.		EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS. S. R. Briggs
	"	8.30 P.M.		GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. Hon. S. H. Blake

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

RAILROAD MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, Mar. 13, 3.00 P.M.—At Union Station.—HON. JOHN McMURRICH and REV. J. SALMON, B.D.

At Nipissing Station.—Messrs. W. E. BURFORD and A. MUNRO.

COTTAGE MEETINGS are also held every THURSDAY 8 P.M.—31 Taylor St. FRIDAY 8 P.M.—47 Brant St.

NOON PRAYER MEETING—Toronto, Grey and Bruce R. R. Workshops every WEDNESDAY at 12.30.

CLASSES.

ELOCUTION.....	MR. R. LEWIS.....	MONDAY, 8 P.M.
PHONOGRAPHY.....	MR. R. McNAB.....	MONDAY and SATURDAY, 6.45 P.M.
BOOKKEEPING.....	MR. MCINTYRE.....	TUESDAY, 8 P.M.
DRAWING.....	MR. H. B. GORDON.....	FRIDAY, 8 P.M.

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