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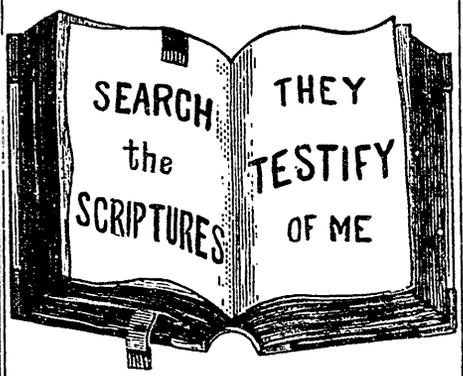
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## WORKERS' SOCIAL.

THE monthly social meeting of the workers on the various committees will be held on Thursday evening, June 4th. Tea at 6.30, after which, in the Members' Parlor, the reports for the past month will be presented, and in addition, Mr. T. S. Cole, Provincial Secretary, and the General Secretary will give reports of the Conventions held at Chattanooga and Atlanta. Let every worker try and make it a point to be present at this meeting.

## BEGINNER'S BIBLE CLASS.

A BEGINNER'S Bible Class has been commenced, and meets every Sunday morning from 9.30 to 10.15. The consecutive study of John's Gospel will be taken up, and a cordial invitation is extended to young men who love the Lord Jesus Christ, and who are trying to serve Him.

## THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION.

THE twenty-sixth Biennial Convention of Young Men's Christian Associations of the United States and British Provinces met from May 13th to 17th, in the beautiful city of Atlanta, the "Gate City of the South," as it has been well named. The various sessions, three each day, were held in the First Baptist Church, from the eaves of whose roof the drops of water falling on one side are said to flow to the Atlantic ocean; those on the other going to mingle with the waters of the Gulf of Mexico. So may the hallowed, blessed influences which centered beneath the same roof for a time, go out in blessing to all parts of this great Continent, in the noble and Christ-like endeavour of

Who remembered us in our low estate.  
Ps. cxxxvi. 23.

## He maketh the storm a calm.

Ps. cvii. 29.

rescuing and bringing back to the paths of rectitude the young men who have strayed and wandered far from Home.

The President of the Convention was Major Joseph Hardie, of Selma, Alabama. Three hundred and forty-two accredited delegates were present, eight of them being from Canada. The address of welcome given on behalf of the citizens by Chief Justice Jackson, was truly eloquent, and spoke to every heart. It was marked alike by deep piety and simple faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Right Reverend M. B. Baldwin, Bishop of Huron, Ontario, delivered an address on the question, "Is the Bible adapted to the young men of today, and if so, why?" This address was a rich treat, full of deep spiritual thought, and delivered in an earnest and impressive manner. It made a marked impression, and was the subject of conversation for days after. The Bishop also gave a Bible Reading on "The work of the Holy Spirit." For almost an hour he was listened to with the closest attention, as with choice and beautiful language he spoke of the Holy Ghost as the seal, the unction, the pledge of the exalted Saviour to His Church below. This Reading, with the address of the evening before, were the masterpieces of the Convention, and in themselves were worth travelling the long distance to hear. They will certainly not be forgotten for many a day to come.

Among the other topics discussed were these:—

Association Secretaries, local State and international—their relation to one another, and the spirit which should actuate them.

What modifications can be made in Association methods for better reaching young men.

What is being done for railroad men by the Associations.

The first year's experience in a new Association building.

The conversion of young men to Christ the primary object of Young Men's Christian Associations,—how can it be promoted?

Boys' work,—how can it best be developed?

Special sessions were set apart for Railroad, College and Boys' work. A deep spiritual tone pervaded the meetings, and the citizens of Atlanta took the liveliest interest in the discussions on the various departments of work, the church being frequently crowded to the door.

In addition to the General Secretaries from London and Berlin, there were present from abroad Count Pueckler, one of the Directors of the Berlin Association, and Mr. M. H. Hodder, of London, one of the leading Y. M. C. A. workers in England. One of the most pleasing and interesting incidents of the Convention was when Mr. Hodder presented to the President of the Convention a greeting from Mr. George Williams, London (whose name is a household word), and also a beautiful Bible as a "love-offering to the American Associations."

On Sunday there were many special meetings held in the open air, in the churches and Opera House. At these the large choir of male voices did effective service. There were "times of blessing" enjoyed; and at the meeting for men only, the Opera House was crowded to the door, and many here professed to have found the Saviour for the first time.

Already in Atlanta the good results of the meeting are apparent. On the Monday morning after the Convention had adjourned, seventeen young men who hitherto had no interest in Association work, but were leaders in society, met and agreed to throw their united effort and influence into the Y. M. C. A. work; and in addition to

I will both search My sheep and bring them out.

Ezek. xxxiv. 11.

Art not thou one of this man's disciples?  
John xviii. 17.

this, the same day, four gentlemen agreed together to contribute \$5,000 each for the purpose of securing an Association building, and we are confident from the feeling which the meeting excited, that already the sum desired, \$60,000 will have been secured.

## BIBLE CLASS

FOR S. S. TEACHERS,

Conducted by Mr. S. H. Blake,

EVERY SATURDAY,

AT 4.30 P.M.

Subject—INTERNATIONAL LESSON.

### LAST WORDS.

ARL CAIRNS who died April 2nd was twice Lord Chancellor of England, and better than that he was a faithful devoted disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ. In Young Mens Christian Association work he took the deepest interest, and at the time of his death was President of the Association at Bournemouth, his life was full of prayer and dependence upon God. The following extract from a letter written by him shortly before his death shows his evangelical spirit and holy life.

"I am sure there are many persons who believe in Christ who come to Him and accept the salvation He offers, but who stop there, and whose life flickers and almost goes out for want of their realizing the position into which they are called. It is when we abide in Christ every moment—as the branch in the vine—when we surrender all to Him and lie in His arms, and when we look on salvation not as a thing we are to touch, and then have done with, or occasionally recall to mind, but a real, living, constant union of us with Christ

in thought, and will, and object. It is thus, indeed, that we have peace and calm, assurance and life."

The eldest of his daughters thus writes of his closing moments:

"Stamped on that dear face, so lovely and holy in the calm peace are the words, 'Thou hast made him exceeding glad with thy countenance.' His latest words, the only ones spoken for hours were of his Master, 'The only faith to live and die in, is Christ. God bring and keep all my beloved ones in this faith, let nothing come between you and Christ,' then his voice rang out, 'God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have eternal life, eternal life, eternal life.' Then he leaned his head upon my mother's shoulder and fell asleep in Jesus, 'The life of them that believe, and the resurrection of the dead.'"

Truly the end of the righteous is peace, and it is little wonder the prayer of Balaam, finds so many to-day who desire and would like it to be answered in their case, "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his."

My fellow sinner, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, live a life of faith upon the Son of God, and you will surely attain to it.

GRACE comes into the soul as the morning sun into the world; there is first a dawning, then a mean light, and, at last, the sun in his excellent brightness.—*T. Adams.*

## EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS

Every SUNDAY, at 3 p.m.

Conducted by General Secretary.

ALL INVITED.

I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.  
John xiv. 6.

# YOUNG MEN'S MEETING

Every Saturday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

COME

## FORGIVENESS OF SINS IN A MOMENT.

N the course of my labours, I handed a platelayer a small tract, entitled "Forgiveness of Sins in a Moment" After reading it, he declared that it was impossible for any man to have his sins forgiven in a moment, and therefore the writer did not know what he was writing about, and he would not believe a word that was written. "Hold hard, my friend," says I; "we will suppose you to have run into debt £50, and you have no means, to pay that debt, would it not be a burden to you?"

"Of course it would," says he.

"But," says I, "suppose you come confessing to me that you had no means, and asking me to forgive it you, and I replied that you were freely forgiven, how long would it take to ease you of your burden?"

"Why," says he. "I should feel eased at once."

"Ah!" I replied, "that is exactly how it is with us; we have run a long way into God's debt, and we cannot pay it; we have not the means. We come confessing our sins, and He freely forgives us, and when that still small voice within says, 'Thy sins are forgiven thee,' it is done in a moment. I have proved it, and therefore know it is true."

A. MILLS.

A Boy was asked what meekness is. He thought a moment, and said, "Meekness gives a smooth answer to rough questions."

## GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL WELCOME.

## BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK.

MONDAY, JUNE 1.

12 noon.—Praise and Thanksgiving. General Secretary.

8 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS.

TUESDAY, JUNE 2.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Preparation for the Lord's Work. Isa. vi. 1-8; Matt. x. 19, 20. R. Merryfield.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Rules for Walking. 1 Thess. ii. 12; Eph. v. 15, 16; Gal. v. 16. Rev. J. Salmon.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4.

12 to 12.45 noon.—The Blessedness of Separation. 2 Cor. vi. 17, 18; Ps. i. 1. J. Bousfield.  
6.30 p.m.—WORKERS' SOCIAL.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Two Requests, and How Answered. Mark v. 19, 20 (read vs. 1-20). W. C. Jex.

7.30 p.m.—BOYS' MEETING.

8 p.m.—WORKERS' TRAINING CLASS.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Christ our Deliverer. Luke iv. 16-19; Rom. vii. 22-25 (first clause.) Assit. Secretary.

7.15 p.m.—Invitation Committee meets for Prayer.

8 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. The Attractiveness of the Cross. Gen. xlix. 10; Jno. xii. 32-36. J. J. Gartshore.

SUNDAY, JUNE 7.

9.30 a.m.—Beginner's Bible Class. Assistant Secretary.

3.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Bible Class. General Secretary.

" Deaf Mute Class. F. S. Bridgen.

" Chinese Class. W. M. Morse.

" Italian 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.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4.

7.30 p.m., for one hour.—At York. Cottage Meeting at J. Lee's; address by W. C. Jex.

SUNDAY, JUNE 7.

GOSPEL MEETINGS.

3 p.m.—Union Station. Jos. Greene and W. C. Jex.

3.15 p.m.—At York. Alex. Saunders and J. Wood.