

# SHAFTESBURY HALL

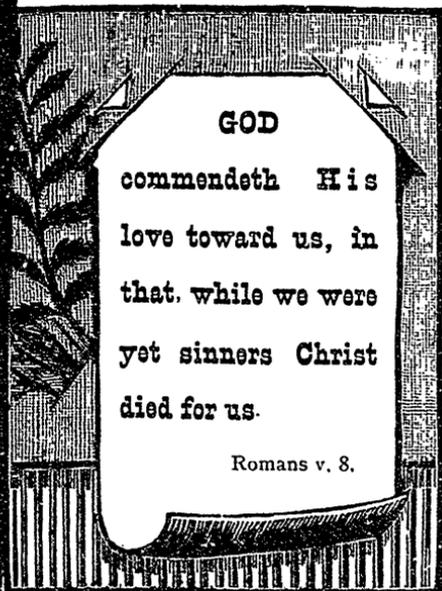
## WEEKLY BULLETIN.

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**GOD**

commendeth His  
love toward us, in  
that, while we were  
yet sinners Christ  
died for us.

Romans v. 8.

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**W**ITH this number we increase the issue to 2,000 per week. Thus far the Lord has provided the means required for our increasing circulation, and the numbers added at this time are all called for in a new field of work opened, wherein we will be able to reach over 300 men, many of them *Young Men*.

### THE WORK.

**G**OD is owning the work among the Young Men of our city. It is true there is little outward show, but there is that, more to be desired, a deepening and widening spiritual interest both on the part of our workers, and those among whom they work. At the last meeting of the Board, the Chairman of our Boarding House Committee reported 671 visits to Boarding Houses and 82 visits to Fire Halls, Police Stations, Car Stables, Hotels, Livery Stables, &c. An important feature in the report was "Young Men spoken to" 91, while the report for previous week showed on the list 115.

The Reception Committee reported regular attendance by its members during the month.

The Devotional Committee spoke of the growing interest in the meetings, and gave glory to God for continued proofs of His power as manifested in the conviction and conversion of several young men.

The financial aspect in regard to removal of our debt is so encouraging as to warrant us in beginning to lay plans for alterations in our Hall.

### A MEETING FOR ENQUIRERS

IS HELD

EVERY MONDAY EVENING. FROM 7.30 TILL 9

In Parlor C (up stairs) Shaftesbury Hall

A Member of the Devotional Committee will be in charge.

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and THOU shalt be saved"  
Acts xvi. 31.

"HE is the propitiation for our sins; and not for our sins only, but also for the sins of the whole world."—1 John ii. 2.

### THE INSPIRED WORD.

**T**HE following extract is from a published address on "Inspiration of the Bible" (by H. L. Hastings), delivered at the Convention of Y. M. C. A.'s of Massachusetts in October last:—

"Again, I conclude that this Book has in it the very breath of God, from the effect that it produces upon men. There are men who study philosophy, astronomy, geology, geography, and mathematics, but did you ever hear a man say, "I was an outcast, a wretched inebriate, a disgrace to my race, and a nuisance in the world, until I began to study mathematics, and learned the multiplication table, and then turned my attention to geology, got me a little hammer, and knocked off the corners of the rocks and studied the formation of the earth; but since that time I have been happy as the day is long; I feel like singing all the time, my soul is full of triumph and peace; and health and blessing have come to my desolate home once more." Did you ever hear a man ascribe his redemption and salvation from intemperance and sin and vice to the multiplication table, or the science of mathematics or geology? But I can bring you, not one man, or two, or ten, but men by the thousand who will tell you, "I was wretched; I was lost; I broke my poor old mother's heart; I beggared my family; my wife was broken-hearted and dejected; my children fled from the sound of their father's footsteps; I was ruined, reckless, helpless, homeless, hopeless, until I heard the words of that Book!" And he will tell you the very word which fastened on his soul. It may be it was, "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest;" perhaps it was, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world;" it may have been, "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but

have everlasting life." He can tell you what the very word was which saved his soul. And since that word entered his heart, he will tell you that hope has dawned upon his vision; that joy has inspired his heart; and that his mouth is filled with grateful song. He will tell you that the blush of health has come back to his poor wife's faded cheek; that the old hats have vanished from the windows of his desolate home; that his rags have been exchanged for good clothes; that his children run to meet him when he comes; that there is bread on his table, fire on his hearth, and comfort in his dwelling. He will tell you all that, and he will tell you that this Book has done the work. Now, this Book is working just such miracles, and is doing it every day. If you have any other book that will do such work as this, bring it along. The work needs to be done; if you have the book that will do it, for Heaven's sake bring it out. But for the present, while we are waiting for you, as we know this book *will* do the work, we propose to use it until we can get something better.

### TAKE CARE!

A WORD TO YOUNG MEN.

**T**AKE CARE!" said the commanding officer to a soldier as he was going to a post from which several sentinels, one after another, had mysteriously disappeared; "take care; be watchful and on your guard every moment, for thus only will you be safe." And, as they were at warfare with the Indians and in the Indian country, the caution was of deep significance and importance.

The soldier went to his post, and was watchful against the first possible intimation of danger, feeling that his life depended on it. For a time all was still and quiet. Not a sound was heard, not

"he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned."—Mark xvi. 16.

**"Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, BEING MADE A CURSE FOR US."—Gal. iii. 13.**

a movement seen, till, by and by, he noticed one of the large hogs of the forest quietly feeding among the trees and gradually drawing nearer to the place where he stood. Carefully watching its movements, he suspected danger, and, raising his rifle, fired, when, with a yell of agony, an Indian leaped up from the disguise and fell dead before him, while he himself was safe. His caution and watchfulness had saved him!

To every young man we would repeat the admonition to the soldier, "Take care!" For the pathway of life is surrounded with dangers to the young, and to every one an all-important caution is, "Take care; be watchful if you would be safe."

1. Take care of *your health*. A sound mind depends largely on a sound and healthful body, and without good health you are not likely to have vigor, or cheerfulness, or courage for duty, or success in life. Do all in your power, then, to have and keep good health.

2 Take care of *your time*. It is one of the most precious of god's gifts. Mis-improved, it is loss, injury, ruin; rightly used, it is success, character, influence, life to the intellect, life to the soul. Know, then, and constantly remember, the value of time, Seize and improve every moment as it passes.

3. Take care as to *your associates*. Not only will you be known by the company you keep, but you will soon become like it. "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise, but the companion of fools shall be destroyed." And last and most important of all—

4. Take care of *your soul*. Not only take care as to your health, your time, your associates, and, it may be added, your habits and morals, but take into view your entire being and entire existence, and *care for your soul*. Remember that you are to live for ever when the sun shall have gone out in darkness and the last star shall be quenched from the heavens, and begin to live here as you shall wish to live for ever, to form

here the character and here lay a foundation for the hopes in which you would rejoice through endless ages. Take God's word as the man of your counsel and the guide of your life. Believe in Christ as the divine and only Saviour; receive his truth; obey his requirements; cherish his spirit; rely on his promises; and trust yourself, with all your interests, for time and eternity, to him. Thus take care for your highest and best interests, for your immortality, and you shall be safe and happy both for time and for eternity.

—Rev. Tryon Edwards, D.D.

### HOW TO BE NOBODY.



IT is easy to be nobody, and we will tell you how to do it. Go to the drinking saloon to spend your leisure time. You need not drink much now; just a little beer or some other drink. In the meantime play dominoes, checkers, or something else to kill time, so that you will be sure not to read any useful books. If you read anything, let it be the dime novel of the day; thus go on, keeping your stomach full and your head empty, and yourself playing time-killing games, and in a few years you will be nobody, unless you should turn out a drunkard or a professional gambler, either of which is worse than nobody. There are any number of young men hanging about saloons just ready to graduate and be nobodies.—*Watchman*.

**YOUNG MEN'S**

## BIBLE CLASS

EVERY MONDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK,

Conducted by the General Secretary

**ALL INVITED.**

**"Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ."—1 Cor. iii. 11.**

**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 March 5, 1883.**

MONDAY.....	Mar. 5....	12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING. Secretary, 7.30 P.M. MEETING FOR ENQUIRERS in Parlour "C." 8.00 P.M. WORKERS' BIBLE CLASS, in Parlor "B." Conducted by the Secretary.
TUESDAY. ...	" 6 ..	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. No lack when the Lord provides for us. John vi. 5-13, 26, 27; Phil. iv. 19. F. Aston.
WEDNESDAY.	" 7 ..	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Flattered by men but rejected by God. Acts xii. 20- 23. Rev. H. Melville.
THURSDAY..	" 8....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Christ redeemeth thy life from destruction. John xi. 32-45; Heb. ii. 14-15. Rev. J. Salmon.
FRIDAY .....	" 9....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Unblessed good is ill.—Gehazi. 2 Kings v. 20-27; Prov. x. 22. Assist. Sec. 8.00 P.M. BOYS' MEETING. J. J. Findlay.
SATURDAY ..	" 10....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. A compassionate Saviour. Mark i. 40-55. W. Marks 4.50 P.M. TEACHERS' BIBLE CLASS. S.H. Blake, Q. C. 8.00 P.M. YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. Now! W. Garside.
SUNDAY.....	" 11....	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 MEETINGS.**

SUNDAY, March 11, 3.00 P.M.—Gospel Meetings at Union Station, and Credit Valley Station, Parkdale.