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The fool hath said in his heart There is no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth good.

God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, that did seek God.

Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; there is none, that doeth good, no, not one.—Psalm liii, 1-3.

#### Editorial.

Mr. John Bennett Anderson, the English evangelist, who has been labouring with so much success during the past three years through the Province of Ontario, is now in St. Mary's, where he is preaching nightly. He intends re-visiting the towns of his evangelistic efforts in succession during the next few weeks, delivering a lecture in each, making it a farewell visit, and then returning to England to renew his Christian work.

This Association has for its aim the salvation of young men. We desire throwing around our young men influences, which will tend to draw them into fellowship with Christ. We desire to reach young men when they first become residents of Toronto, before they form any associations which will have a tendency

to draw them downward. Many of our readers can help in this work. Do you know of any young man who has lately taken up his residence here, or is about to do so? Send his name and address to us, that we may call upon him.

Among our selections in this number, will be found an article headed "THE LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEER." Such tribute is doubtless well merited, but we ask, would it not be more practical, if the public generally were to manifest greater interest in the welfare of Railway Employees?

We hear enough in the form of complaints, but it is only now and then that we hear the question, "What is being done for the spiritual welfare of those men?"

We are pleased to say that there are some in Toronto, who feel and act aright on this great subject, and Christian Work among our Railroad brethren has their sympathy and support. But more needs to be done—more must be done. Who will help? The writer of the article to which we call atention says "Faith is the guiding Rule of the Travellers." If Travellers have such faith in the men, why not go further and do something for them. Remember faith without works is dead.

"Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guilt-less that taketh His name in vain:"—Ex. xx: 7.

#### THE LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEER.

The London Telegraph in a recent editorial pays a splendid and deserved tribute to the men who hold the lives of hundreds in their hands—true locomo-

tive engineers. It says:

"Most passengers are as ignorant, happily, of the pitfall under their feet as of the intricate process of digestion or the anatomy of the human frame. They take their journeys as they take their food, trusting blindly that some how or other it will be all right, and that the narrow corners will be shaved, and it seldom occurs to them to express their thankfulness for the manly devotion which contributes to their safety. While faith is the guiding rule of the traveller, duty is the absorbing principle of the railway servant. does it never occur to the wakeful traveller as the lamps flash past him, as the train rushes over bridges and through a net-work of signals, as the tunnel seems a dull roar, and the lighted station a suppressed scream, when the pulse of the motion never stops and the impetus at times becomes almost terrible, what a sense of gratitude there ought to be toward those lonely men who, faithful to the end, turn this point and that, shift the lamps, keep watch and ward, and clear the way for the swift express? Those who have trusted themselves to this splendid power are utterly powerless. Their lives are in the hands of the men who drive the train, and of the signal men who watch. Yet there is no sleep in the signal-box or at the tunnel mouth; there is no conversation, no distraction, nothing but a dull monotony of duty. A score of things may have happened; the staff may be short handed, some one is unexpectedly on the sick list, some goodnatured fellow may have done double duty out of pure comradeship; but this makes no difference in the safety of the line. There need be no cause for fear when such men know their duty and do it."

"Within half of a century," says Dr. Dio Lewis, "no young man addicted to the use of tobacco has graduated at the head of his class in Hervard College, though five out of six of the students have used it. The chances, you see, were five in six that a smoker would

graduate at the head of his class, if tobacco does no harm. But during half of a century not one victim of tobacco was able to come out ahead."

Rowland Hill, entering one day the house of one of his congregation, saw a child on a rocking horse. "Dear me," he exclaimed, "how wondrously like some christians; there is motion, motion but no progress."

A helping hand to one in trouble is often like a switch on the railroad track—but one inch between wreck and smooth rolling prosperity.

Remember that the question of your victory is not a question of strength, but a question of faith. "Fear not," is the voice of encouragement to the weakest; "only believe." Faith gives God's strength to the feeblest. "It is not our strength," saith the apostle John, but "it is faith which is the victory that overcometh the world."

LEARN to entwine with your prayers the small cares, the trifling sorrows, the little wants of daily life. Whatever affects you—be it a changed look, an altered tone, an unkind word, a wrong, a demand you cannot meet, a change you cannot notice, a sorrow you cannot disclose—turn it into prayer, and send it up to God. Disclosures you cannot make to men you can make to the Lord. Man may be too little for your great matters: God is not too great for your small ones. Only give yourself to prayer, whatever be the occasion that calls for it.

The more you think of yourself the less will wise and holy men think of you; you will find it is hard to believe this; vain men would fain be wise.

A sentinel posted on the walls, when he discerns a hostile party advancing, does not attempt to make head against them himself, but informs his commanding officer of the enemy's approach, and leaves him to take the proper measures against the foe. So the Christian does not attempt to fight temptation in his own strength: his watchfulness lies in observing its approach, and of telling God of it by prayer.—Mason.

## Sunday Afternoon Bible Class,

SHAFTESBURY HALL, 3 O'CLOCK.

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## Young Men's Meeting,

SATURDAY EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

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#### Bulletin for Week Commencing July 26th, 1880.

MONDAY July 26 12.00 M. 8.00 P.M.	Praise Meeting—Ps. cxxxviii, W. Marks. Young Men's Bible Class. H. A. Bruton.
TUESDAY " 27 12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer. Walking on the Sea-Matt. xiv, 22-33. John MacGregor.
WEDNESDAY " 28 12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer. Refuge, -Josh. XX; Heb. vi-18. R. Merryfield
THURSDAY " 29 12.00 M.	Rible Reading. E. C. Newberry.
FRIDAY " 30 12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer. Do not limit God Num, xiii, 25-33. H. A. Bruton
8.00 P.M.	Boys' Meeting. Charles Edwards.
SATURDAY " 31 12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer. Consecration,-1 Chron. xxix. Alf. Sar ham.
4.00 P.M.	Teacher's Bible Class.
8.00 P.M.	Young Men's Meeting. Geo. T. Fergusson.
SUNDAY Aug. 1 9.30 A.M.	Workers' Meeting for Prayer and Bible Study. W. McFarlane.
3.00 P.M.	Evangelistic Bible Class. S. R. Briggs.
8.30 P.M.	Gospel and Song Service. H. O'Brien.

OPEN TO ALL, with exception of the Monday and Saturday Evening Meetings, which are exclusively for young men. A cordial invitation is extended. Requests for prayers may be addressed to the Secretary.

#### Railroad Men's Meetings.

SABBATH, Avo. 1, 3.00 P.M.—at Union Station—JOSIAH GREENE and REV. MR. TROTTER,
"At Nipissing Station—WM. ANDERSON and ALF. SANDHAM.

COTTAGE MEETINGS are also held every MONDAY 8 P.M.—30 Mercer Street. Thursday 8 P.M.—6
Sackvilla Street.

Noon Meeting every Wednesday. 12.30 to 1—Toronto Grey & Bruce Reading Rooms.

## Gospel and Song Service,

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BOATS.

Nearly all the regular passenger boats arrive at the Yonge street wharves, Tourists pass up Yonge street to Queen, thence one block westward to the Rooms.

We must all appear before the judgment-seat of Christ. —2 Cor. v. 10.

A PREVALENT MISTAKE. - "The sontiment that it matters not what a man believes, so that he is sincere, is as unscriptural as it is absurd. Sincerity in belief has no more effect in warding off evil in the spiritual, than in the natural kingdom. If the teaching and persuagions of a reputed chemist should prevail on you to believe that arsenic is harmless, could you mix it with your bread, and you and your children eat it without injury to health or life? Oh no! Neither will the sincerity of your belief save you from the consequence of Right belief error in religious faith. -truth, God's truth, my brethren, is the only foundation on which you can safely rest your hopes."

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Willard Tract 'Depository and Bible House, Shaftesbury Hall, Toronto.

HE KENS ME.-"I ken the Lord, and He kens me," said a poor uneducated Scotch boy, who was stretched on a bed of sickness, expecting death. Christian friend had visited him and told him that at death the angels would carry his spirit to heaven. The poor boy was alarmed at the thought. have nothing to do with the angels," he said; "I ken the Lord, and He kens me," but the angels would na' know what to His fears were at length do wi' me. dissipated, and he fell asleep in Jesus, fully convinced that his soul would be safe after its departure. The simple trust evinced by his expression, "He kens me," was a position many older and more highly cultured Christians have failed to reach.

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