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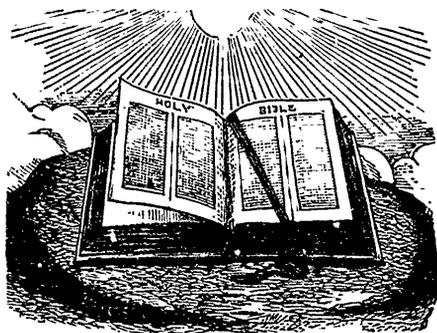
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SEARCH THE

SCRIPTURES,



For in them ye think ye have

ETERNAL LIFE,

And they are they

WHICH TESTIFY OF ME.

John v. 39.

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THE EXHIBITION.

By the time this reaches some of our readers, we shall be once again engaged in our work for the Master, on the Exhibition Grounds. Permission having been cheerfully granted us, we have arranged for securing every

comfort in connection with the tent. We have also prepared a handsome Ice Water Fountain with four taps, and fitted up in good shape. This will be erected in a small marquee outside our large Reading tent. Being connected with the City water pipes, this fountain will furnish a constant supply of "pure cold water."

THE WORK.

Cour monthly Board meeting the several Committees presented reports, some of which are very encouraging. We glean the following therefrom:—

Boarding House Committee reports:—	
Visits to Boarding Houses,	1250
“ “ Hotels,	78
“ “ Fire Halls,	43
“ “ Police Stations,	10
“ “ Car and Livery Stables,	52
Young Men spoken to,	329
Bulletins distributed,	7853
Tracts “	5000

Visiting Committee:—

Visits to Hospital	6
“ “ Young Men sick in Boarding Houses,	3
Visits to Young Men who have asked prayer at our meetings,	4

Devotional Committee:—Reports increased interest in all the meetings.

Reception Committee reports regularity on the part of its members, increased attendance at the Rooms, and encouragement in the work generally.

Membership Committee recommended for election as members, one Active and four Associate.

Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, **TO BE SEEN OF THEM.**—Matthew vi. 1.

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.—Acts xx. 35.

INFORMATION WANTED.

SHOULD any of our brother Secretaries hear of the whereabouts of Mr. Christian Buxbaum, they will confer a favor by dropping us a postal card, or by asking him to correspond with us.

TWO LINKS IN THE CHAIN OF LOVE.



John xi. 35.

2 Thes. v. 16.

STHINK we may well link together these the two shortest verses in the New Testament, for if Jesus had not wept, we could never rejoice. It was as man He wept. If He had not left the glories of heaven, and come to earth to take our nature upon Him, we should for ever have remained in a lost and ruined condition, without any hope of heaven. It was in our nature that that He suffered and died, and as man He now sits at God's right hand, the conqueror of sin and death, so that we who have accepted His great salvation may "rejoice evermore" that sin cannot have dominion over us; that Jesus ever liveth to intercede for us. We may rejoice that He can sympathize with us in all our sorrows: that He knows all our weaknesses, and has felt all our temptations. We may rejoice that He is gone to prepare a place for us, that where He is there we may be also.

A MEETING FOR ENQUIRERS

IS HELD

EVERY MONDAY EVENING,

From 7.30 till 9,

In Parlor C. (up stairs) Shaftesbury Hall.



"THANK YOU, CAPTAIN."

ON one occasion Napoleon Bonaparte was reviewing his army. Pausing on his way from one part of the ground to another, and while occupied in giving an order, the emperor incautiously let the rein fall upon the neck of his horse, which, taking fright, darted off at a gallop, obliging the rider to cling to the saddle, in imminent danger of being thrown.

While all stood gazing in consternation, a private soldier, from his place in the ranks, sprang before the horse, seized the bridle, and respectfully placed the reins in the hand of the emperor.

"Thank you, *captain*," said the rescued emperor, as quick to reward as to apprehend a service.

"Of what regiment, sire?" asked the soldier, saluting him, with unquestioning confidence in his imperial master.

"Of my own guards," replied the emperor, charmed with such a mani-

Behold, I come quickly; hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.—Revelation iii. 11.

And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

Mark xiii. 36.

festation of faith in his sincerity, and he then galloped away.

Instantly acting on the declaration, the soldier laid down his gun, and passed over to the group of staff officers.

"What does the fellow want?" haughtily asked one.

"The fellow," said the soldier, "is a captain of the emperor's guards."

"A captain!" cried another. "Who said so?"

"He said so," replied the soldier, pointing to the emperor; on which the officers immediately greeted him as one of themselves.

But might not a little incredulity have been excusable? Might not the emperor have spoken in the warmth of the moment what he would quite forget before the day was over? Would it not be more discreet, more modest, to wait and see if he took any further steps in the matter, for such a piece of good fortune seemed really too good to be true!

No! the truest discretion was to believe that the emperor meant what he said, the truest modesty was to receive unquestioningly the grace bestowed, and obediently accept its conditions. And its conditions involved a great deal to that soldier; but he did not wait to reason himself into acquiescence, nor to consider his fitness for what was so greatly to his advantage; he took the place his sovereign assigned him, *at once*. And the fitness must follow the grateful obedience. It involved great changes—change of dress, change of duty, change of rank, change of companionship; change too, of hopes and motives.

Instead of the coarse garb of the common soldier, the fine cloth and golden epaulettes of the Imperial staff.

Instead of the mechanical duties of a private, the command of a regiment, and a voice in the councils of his chief.

Enfolded, parable-wise, in this incident lies a great spiritual lesson, and an example in higher things which none can err in following.

A wonderful word has been spoken, and wonderful results are to follow for all who believe it. It is spoken to those who need it, and are in a condition to profit by it on simple, unquestioning faith in it.

"God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that *whosoever believeth* in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Shall a little earthly dignity be instantly accepted on the word of an earthly sovereign, a despot, a tyrant, because he is understood to mean what he says, and has power to fulfil it? and shall the word of the King of kings, the Lord of the whole earth, who died to purchase the right so to bestow, be doubted and rejected?

OUR REFUGE.

Where can I find Refuge?

Can I find Refuge

I find Refuge

Find Refuge

Refuge

IN

JESUS

YOUNG MEN'S

BIBLE CLASS

Every Monday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL INVITED.

Blessed are those servants whom the Lord when he cometh shall find watching.—Luke xii. 37.

GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE,

Every Sunday Evening,

AT 8.30.

GOOD SINGING.

SHORT GOSPEL ADDRESSES

COME.

REMEMBER

—THE—

YOUNG MEN'S MEETING

HELD

Every Saturday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

COME.

Bulletin for Week Commencing Sept. 10, 1883.

MONDAY.....	Sept. 10....	12.00 M.	7.30 P.M.	7.30 P.M.	8 00 P.M.	PRaise & THANKSGIVING. The Secretary. MEETING FOR ENQUIRERS in Parlour "C." INVITATION COMMITTEE MEETS FOR PRAYER. YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS, in Parlor "B." Conducted by the Secretary.
TUESDAY.....	" 11 ..	12.00 M.				NOONDAY PRAYER. R. Merryfield.
WEDNESDAY.	" 12 ..	12.00 M.				NOONDAY PRAYER. W. Marks.
THURSDAY...	" 13....	12.00 M.	8.00 P.M.			NOONDAY PRAYER. S. R. Briggs. WORKERS' MEETING for mutual edifica- tion and prayer.
FRIDAY.....	" 14....	12.00 M.	8.00 P.M.			NOONDAY PRAYER. W. E. Burford. BOYS' MEETING.
SATURDAY....	" 15....	12.00 M.	7.30 P.M.			NOONDAY PRAYER. F. Aston. INVITATION COMMITTEE MEETS FOR PRAYER.
SUNDAY.....	" 16....	3.00 P.M.	8.00 P.M.	3.00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. J. O. Anderson. EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS. H. B. Gordon DEAF MUTE CLASS. " " CHINESE CLASS. 8.30 P.M. GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. S. Caldecott. Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15.

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

RAILROAD AND OTHER BRANCH MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, Sept. 16, 3.00 P.M.

GOSPEL MEETING at Union Station and at West End Branch (1020 Queen W.)
Young Men's Meeting every Saturday at 8 p.m.; Bible Class every Tuesday at
8 p.m.; Workers' Prayer Meeting every Sunday at 7.30 a.m., in
the West End Branch Rooms.

Noon Meeting every Tuesday from 12.30 to 12.55, in the G. T. R. Roundhouse
Reading Room, and every Wednesday at the same hour, in
the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Workshops.

COTTAGE MEETINGS.

EVERY MONDAY, 8 P.M., 2 Hunter's Terrace, Dufferin St.
" THURSDAY " 118 Lisgar Street.
" FRIDAY, " 232 Dundas Street.