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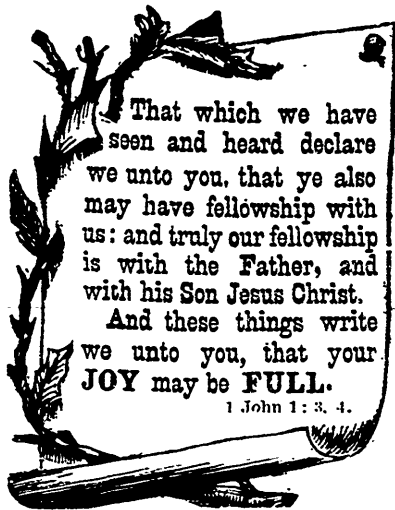
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### WISHING YOU — A — JOYFUL CHRISTMAS.



That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your JOY may be FULL.

1 John 1: 3, 4.

#### PLEASANT.

**W**E have been favored by a short visit from Mr. E. A. Garratt, Assistant Secretary of the Winnipeg Association, who reports that the Lord's work is progressing in the capital of the Prairie Province. We are pleased to learn that Bro. Copeland, the energetic Secretary, is being blessed, and made a blessing to many young strangers. The Association needs a building, and we feel assured that when the brethren move in the matter, they will meet with a ready response from the many friends of the work.

#### YORKVILLE Y. M. C. A.

**O**UR Yorkville friends have given full proof that they mean their Association to become a permanent institution. They have rented very commodious rooms directly opposite the Town Hall, and in a position where young men "most do congregate." The rooms have been very comfortably fitted up, and we believe that the work of the Association will be fully appreciated by the young men of Yorkville. John Macdonald, Esq., has been elected President, and all who know him, know full well that the difficulties by the way will have to be more than ordinary before the work will be relinquished or active efforts abated. We wish the Yorkville Y. M. C. A. God speed, and welcome it to the Association circle.

#### BOARDING HOUSE WORK.

**T**HE reports made by workers are of a cheering nature. It is true that some of the workers have been rather *warmly* received in one or two houses: and one brother, when he had ascended a flight of stairs to visit a room wherein resided three young men, felt as though he had reached Mount Ebal, (Deut. 27: 13,) as the curses were loud and frequent. Nevertheless, he gave his testimony, and proceeded on his way. The work of this committee cannot be over-estimated. There are in Toronto hundreds of young men who have a desire to be among Christians, and who are not aware that our Association is something *more* than a religious club,—that it is designed to be a place of rest for every young man. One of the visitors has

handed to the Secretary the names of nine young men met with in two visits. Some of these were Christians, who hailed with delight the invitation extended them to come to our Rooms, and have since accepted of it. In every instance they were total strangers to Toronto and its people. We look for much practical good resulting from the work of this committee.

### GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE.

**L**AST Sunday Evening we had the largest audience assembled this season. One very encouraging feature of the meeting was the very large proportion of Young Men present. In fact we think it would be a safe estimate to say that nearly two-thirds were belonging to that class. The attention was all that could be desired, that is so far as outward evidence could be accepted. We trust that the Spirit of God was at work causing heart attention to be given by many.

### RAILROAD WORK.

**M**R. E. D. Ingersoll, Railway Secretary of the International Committee has secured from the Canada Southern Railway a grant of \$50 per month towards the salary of a Railway Secretary at St. Thomas. The company has also given the use of premises for a reading room etc. Mr. Ingersoll is now at St. Thomas, and our Railway Secretary is co-operating with him in opening up the work. An experienced Secretary is to be placed in the field at once.

### USEFUL EMPLOYMENT.

**W**ORKING as an ordinary hand in a Philadelphia ship yard was a man whose peculiarity was, that, while others of his class were indulging in jollification, he was incessantly engaged in studying upon mechanical combinations. One of his companions secured a poodle dog, and spent six months in teaching the quadruped to

execute a jig upon its hind legs. Knowlton spent the same period in discovering some method by which he could saw ship timber in a bevelled form. The first man taught his dog to dance; Knowlton, in the same time, discovered a mechanical combination that enabled him to do, in two hours, the work that would occupy a dozen men, by slow and laborious process, an entire day. The result was, Knowlton rose to be a successful inventor, made a fortune, and illustrated the folly of useless employment. Let us improve our time. What we will be, depends much upon what we now do; better spend the leisure hours in gaining knowledge that will not alone benefit ourselves, but be of benefit to our fellowman, than to spend it in teaching either poodle dogs or ourselves to dance.—*Exchange.*

### HOW TO DO IT.

**O**NE night the large and splendid Sailors' Home in Liverpool was on fire, and a vast multitude of people gathered to witness the conflagration. The fury of the flames could not be checked. It was supposed that all the inmates had left the burning building. Presently, however, two poor fellows were seen stretching their arms from an upper window, and were shouting for help. What could be done to save them?

A stout mariner from a man-of-war lying in the river said, "Give me a long ladder, and I will try it."

He mounted the ladder. "Pass me up a small ladder!" he shouted.

It was done. Even that did not reach to the arms stretched frantically out of the window. The brave mariner was not to be balked. He lifted the short ladder upon his own shoulders, and holding on by a casement, he brought the upper rounds within reach of the two men, who were already scorched by the flames.

Out of the window they clambered, and creeping down over the short ladder, and then over the sturdy mariner, they reached the pavement amid the loud hurrahs of the multitude.

It was a noble deed, and teaches a noble lesson. It teaches us that when we want to do good service to others, we must add our own length to the length of the ladder.—*Selected.*

### A CHRISTIAN IS A

New Creature in a  
 New World, he has a  
 New Nature, is under a  
 New Government, serves a  
 New Master, observes  
 New Laws, is actuated by  
 New Fears, influenced by  
 New Love, animated by  
 New Delights, partakes of  
 New Hopes.

### DANCING.

**T**HE poet Cowper truthfully said in a letter:—

“I had once my dancing days as you have now, yet I never found that I could learn half so much of a woman’s character by dancing with her, as by conversing with her at home, where I could observe her behaviour at the table, or at the fireside, and in all the trying scenes of domestic life. We are all good when pleased; but she is a good woman who wants not the fiddle to sweeten her.”

## Redeeming the Time.

### Bulletin for Week Commencing December 26, 1881.

MONDAY .....	Dec. 26	...12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING Rev. W. Reid, D.D.
				8.00 P.M. WORKERS' MEETING FOR PRAYER.
TUESDAY .....	“ 27	...12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. The Spirit should control the Walk, Fruit, Path and Life. Gal. v. 16-26. R. Merryfield.
WEDNESDAY . .	“ 28	...12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. The long-suffering of God our salvation. 2 Peter iii. 9-18. Rev. W. H. Warriner.
THURSDAY.....	“ 29	...12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Abiding in Christ. John xv. 1-8; 1 John ii. 6. W. Marks.
FRIDAY . . . .	“ 30	...12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Our unerring teacher. 1 John ii. 20-29. Rev. E. Roberts.
				8.00 P.M. BOYS' MEETING. Charles Edwards.
SATURDAY.....	“ 31	...12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. God's deliverance in the past our assurance for the future. Deut. vii. 17-25; 1 Sam. xvii. 33-37. W. E. Burford.
				4.50 P.M. TEACHER'S BIBLE CLASS. Hon. S. H. Blake.
				8.00 P.M. YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. Decision of character. Dan. i. 8-21. J. O. Anderson.
SUNDAY.....	Jan. 1	.... 3.00	P.M.	EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS. S.R. Briggs
		8.30	P.M.	GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. W. Anderson.

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

### RAILROAD MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, Jan. 1, 3.00 P.M.—Gospel Meetings at Union Station and at Nipissing Station.



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