

# SHAFTESBURY HALL

## WEEKLY BULLETIN.

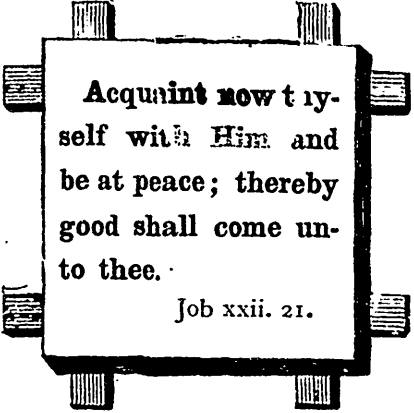
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Acquaint now thyself with Him and be at peace; thereby good shall come unto thee.

Job xxii. 21.

### OUR BULLETIN FUND.



OUR fund needs replenishing. We have to acknowledge the receipt of three envelopes, each containing \$1, also 50c. from a friend, per the Assistant Secretary. "JEHOVAH JIREH" is still our motto.

### THE DOMINION CONVENTION.



THE Second Dominion Convention, held at Truro, N.S., was certainly a season of much spiritual refreshing.

The delegates had evidently been chosen from the ranks of the *workers*, and as a natural result they spoke of things which they understood. There was no mere theorizing, but every address had a practical tone, and of course carried weight. To the delegates from the Toronto Association was assigned the preparation of three papers. The Railway work and its growing importance was well presented by our

Railway Secretary, and we believe much interest was awakened in this special branch. The importance of Bible study was forcibly presented in a paper by another of our delegates, and the discussion which it elicited and the remarks made by some well known workers clearly proved that there was necessity for strong words in this *all-important* work. A paper on Commercial Travellers' work, from the able pen of Mr. Caldecott, a member of our Board, was full of suggestive thought.

The brethren of Truro were ably supported by the citizens generally, and nothing could surpass the genial hospitality accorded the delegates. Truro and the Convention will long continue as a bright spot in the recollections of those privileged to visit that town.

But far above all pleasing memories of friendships formed, and encouragements received, is the intense satisfaction we have in recording that God's power was with the Convention and was manifested in the conversion of souls. The meetings of the closing day (Sunday,) were crowded. A meeting for men only, held at 4 p.m., had an attendance of over 400, and one of the papers speaks of it as the largest religious meeting, for males only, ever held in Nova Scotia. At the same hour a meeting for the mothers, wives and sisters was held in the Town Hall, when nearly 300 were present. The farewell meeting was so crowded that an overflow meeting was held in the Baptist Church, which was also filled.

But the interest has not been confined to the Convention meetings alone, as the following letter will prove:

TRURO, Aug. 20th, '82.

We are having a good time. Several young men have been saved, and the place has been moved as it has not often been moved before. I am specially interested in Boys' work. We in-

tend to organize a Boys' Association. Several of the recently saved ones are working in it, some who had been very bad boys. The young fellows who have been saved have come out squarely and promptly. Last night two of them, who had been very wild, got a third, who had been a former companion, and asked him to be a Christian: he said he would like to be saved, and they took him into the Reading Room, and getting one on either side, began to pray for him. "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

In looking back we trace all this blessing to the fact that the whole arrangements for the Convention were carried out in an atmosphere of prayer. We do not (in our long experience of Conventions,) remember one for which more prayer was offered; and in the rich blessing received there has been given us a renewed verification of God's word, and of His willingness to bless.

### THE EXHIBITION

**B**Y the time some of our readers receive this Bulletin we will (D.V.) be again under canvas and at work for the Master. The Industrial Exhibition will open on the 5th September, and by kind permission of the Directors we again take our old stand, but with better facilities and more thorough equipment. The Exhibition promises to be larger and of more interest than during former years, and will be kept open every evening, the grounds and buildings being illuminated by the Electric light. We hoped to be able to secure the electric light for our tent, but have failed. We shall not, however, fail in holding forth the **LIGHT OF LIFE**.

Rev. J. Salmon will have charge of the services, and our assistant secretary will care for the general work.

### A WELCOME VISITOR.

**O**UR former Secretary, Mr. T. J. Wilkie, has been spending his holidays with his parents in Toronto, and his visits to our rooms and meetings have been seasons of pleasure and profit. Mr. Wilkie accompanied our delegates to the Truro Convention, at which he represented the International Executive Committee. From what he tells us, we

gather that the work in Brooklyn is fast assuming a satisfactory shape, and that good work will be done among the young men of that city.

### CHAUTAQUA.

**W**HEN our Lecture Committee conceived the idea of an excursion to Chautauqua, it was with a view to meet the expressed wish of some of our members who seemed to think we ought to have an excursion. The committee did not think it to be their duty to arrange for a mere pleasure excursion, which might attract many who cared little for the association, and some whose presence at a gathering under our auspices, would reflect little credit upon us; but it was designed to combine pleasure with profit. This was to be secured by the Chautauqua excursion, and all who attended were well pleased and no doubt benefited in many ways. The excursion viewed from a financial standpoint was self-supporting, and the Association may reap a small profit from it; but, viewed from the standpoint taken by the Committee at the outset, it was not a success, very few of the young men having attended. We regret this, as it is discouraging to the Committee in its endeavors to benefit our young men. We always welcome the presence of friends of the cause, and we are grateful for their patronage; but any work, whether it be the Lectures, social gatherings, or an excursion like that referred to, which fails to reach young men, is, to a certain extent, labor lost.

The Chairman of the Committee (Mr. Peake) was indefatigable in his efforts to ensure the comfort of the friends who went to Chautauqua, and from what we have heard, he was successful.

The Chicago Evangelistic Association propose holding a Christian Convention in Chicago, from the 11th to the 13th of October, 1882. To this meeting upwards of 5000 ministers are being invited, in addition to the leading laymen of the various Evangelical denominations.

The objects are the drawing nearer to one another of the Lord's people, and above all to the Lord Himself.

Will our readers please make these

meetings a subject of *special prayer*, that the Great Head of the Church may give an abundant blessing.

### ENCOURAGING.



FOR several years past the Associations at Toronto, Montreal, London and Ottawa, have taken up the work among the volunteers in camp, and the work has not only been blessed of God, but has found favor with man. At Ottawa the authorities cheerfully rendered every assistance, and the following letter addressed to our President, is conclusive evidence as to the beneficial results of this work :

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
Ottawa, 7th Aug., 1882.

SIR: Having experienced the beneficial results accruing from the opening of a branch of the Y. M. C. A. at the Brigade Camp, under my command at Ottawa in September last, I wrote to the President of the Y. M. C. A. here expressing the hope that he would kindly put me in the way of applying for a similar privilege this year, for a Brigade Militia Camp to be formed at Brockville on the 5th September, for twelve days training.

Mr. Morrow, the General Secretary, in the absence of the President, suggests my writing to you.

I should consider it a great favor if you will kindly bring about what we desire. I can place a large marquee tent at your disposal on the occasion. I am not aware whether there is a Branch Y. M. C. A. now at Brockville.

Yours,

GEO. J. MAUNSELL,  
LT.-COL.,  
D.A.G.

OUR work at the Exhibition opens on the same date as the Camp, which alone prevented us from complying with the request, but the Executive Committee has energetically taken up the work, and by arrangements made with Montreal and Ottawa, every detail will be well attended to. Not only does the officer in command offer every facility, but asks that the workers be his guests during the time the Camp is in operation.

Let us pray that God may abundantly own the labors of those who may be deputed to enter this open door.

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusteth in Thee.

Isaiah xxvi. 3.

### "SERVE."

The Lord with all thine heart—Deut. x. 12.  
Him without fear,—Luke i. 74.  
The Lord with gladness.—Ps. c. 2.  
Him with a willing mind.—1 Chron. xxviii. 9.  
With pure conscience.—2 Tim. i. 3.  
God acceptably with reverence.—Heb. xii. 28.  
The Lord with all humility.—Acts xx. 19.  
For ye serve the Lord Christ.—Col. iii. 24.

### PREPARATION FOR SERVICE.

The heart—Ezra vii. 10; Ps. lvii. 7 (margin).  
The ways—2 Chron. xxvii. 6.  
The work—2 Chron. xxxv. 10, 15; Eph. ii. 10.  
The vessel—2 Tim. ii. 21.  
Then 1 Chron. xxviii. 21, "Any manner of service."  
Employed in service day and night, and yet free. (1 Chron. ix. 33.) Whose service is perfect freedom.  
See also Isa. lxii. 6; Rev. iv. 8; xxii. 3.  
Luke v. 5. Fruitless service. John xv. 5.  
Luke v. 6. Fruitful service. Phil. iv. 13; 1 Cor. xv. 10.  
Luke v. 7. Fellowship service. Luke x. 1; Isa. xli. 6.—*Selected.*

### YOUNG MEN'S

## BIBLE CLASS

EVERY MONDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK,

ALL INVITED.

**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!**

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**Bulletin for Week Commencing Sept. 4, 1882.**

MONDAY.....	Sept. 4....	12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING. Assistant Secretary.
			8.00 P.M.	WORKERS' BIBLE CLASS. Conducted by the Secretary.
TUESDAY.....	" 5....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. W. E. Burford.
WEDNESDAY	" 6 ..	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Rev. J. Salmon.
THURSDAY...	" 7....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. J. Nobbs.
FRIDAY .....	" 8....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Rev. H. Melville.
			8.00 P.M.	BOYS' MEETING. J. J. Findlay.
SATURDAY ..	" 9....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. W. Marks.
			8.00 P.M.	YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. C. S. Gzowski.
SUNDAY.....	" 10....	3.00 P.M.		EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS.
			8.30 P.M.	GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. J. J. Gart- shore.

*Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.*

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**RAILROAD MEETING.**

SUNDAY, Sept. 10, 3.00 P.M.—Gospel Meeting at Union Station.