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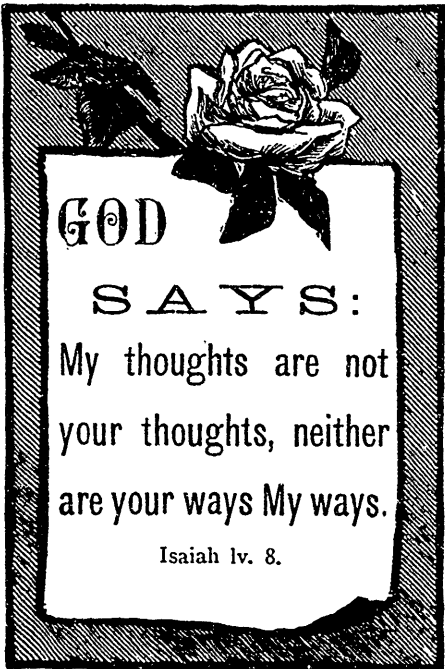
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GOD
SAYS:
My thoughts are not
your thoughts, neither
are your ways My ways.
Isaiah lv. 8.

MR. NASMITH will tell our boys, on Friday evening, 15th inst., what he saw in the Mammoth Caves of Kentucky.

WORKERS' SOCIAL.

C PLEASANT and profitable meeting of the workers on the various committees was held in the Members' Parlor on Thursday evening, April 30th. After tea, which was served in the Chinese Room, Mr. H. B. Gordon took the chair, opening with prayer and the reading of Scripture. Earnest and practical addresses bearing upon Christian work, were given by Rev's P. McF. McLeod and John Salmon. Satisfactory and encouraging reports were presented by the chairmen of committees, and an appeal was made for new members to assist in the good work, to which several responded.

ALTERATIONS TO SHAFTESBURY HALL.

IT gives us much pleasure to state that the Building Committee have decided upon a definite plan for the alterations to the Hall and other parts of the building, and it is expected that work will be commenced about the beginning of June. The Hall will be greatly improved in various ways, having new sloping floor, new galleries, and

A bruised reed shall He not break.
Matt. xii. 20.

Sin shall not have dominion over you.
Rom. vi. 14.

re-seated with opera chairs; and in addition there will be a new entrance from James Street.

There will also be baths fitted up for the use of the members,—this, with the other changes proposed to be made, will, we are sure, make our entire building much more attractive to the young men of Toronto.

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Every MONDAY Evening,
AT 8 O'CLOCK,

WHICH WAY ARE YOU
GOING ?

A little girl went home from church full of what she had seen and heard. Sitting at the table with the family, she asked her father, who was not at all a good man, whether he prayed. He did not like the question, and in a very angry manner replied, "It is your mother or your Aunt Sally who has put you up to that?"

"No, father," said the child; "the preacher said all good people pray, and those that don't pray cannot be saved. Father, do you pray?"

This was more than the father could stand, and in a rough way, he said, "Well, you, and your mother, and Aunt Sally, may go your way, and I will go mine."

"Father," said the little creature with great simplicity, "which way are you going?"

This question pierced his heart. It flashed upon him that he was in the sure way to a bad end. He started from his chair, burst into tears, and began to pray for mercy.

Dear reader, which way are you going?
—Selected.

LAW VIOLATED.

ANY a young man goes on sinning and sinning against the laws of his own body, and because sentence seems to be deferred, he thinks he is not sinning, especially if he does not come under the rebuke of society, law and public sentiment, or under the rebuke of his fellows; and by-and-by the penalties began to execute themselves. And then it is too late for him to avert the evil. Many a man finds out at thirty-five years of age that he is an old man; that his marrow has been sucked up; that the generating power of his nervous system has been burnt out or rotted out; and he thinks he will reform, and means to reform, but it is too late. And then he begins in his premature and crippled state to marvel in the after disappointments of life, at the mysteries of Providence, and to wonder why some men have such easy lives, and he has such a hard one; why some men have such privilege and opportunity, and he is so hedged in and crippled; why some are so free from sufferings, and he suffers so much. It is simply a case in which he has gone on violating natural laws, the nature of which was to defer their penalties, but which never took their eye off from him, but watched him, and followed him, and seized him at the proper time, and executed their commission in full. And the man that violates the laws of nature in the structure of his own body or mind, may be perfectly certain that those laws will inflict their penalties on him both here and hereafter.

YOUNG MEN'S MEETING

Every Saturday Evening.

AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

COME

What communion hath light with darkness.

2 Cor. vi. 14

I will give them one heart and one way.
Jer. xxxii. 39.

THE Boarding House Committee have on their register a list of first-class houses where young men may be accommodated at reasonable rates. The register has been well patronized of late.

BIBLE CLASS

FOR S. S. TEACHERS,

Conducted by Mr. S. H. Blake,

EVERY SATURDAY,

AT 4.30 P.M.

Subject—INTERNATIONAL LESSON.

THREE IMPORTANT EX- CEPTIONS.

"Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Luke xiii: 3.

"Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." John iii: 3.

"Except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven." Matthew xviii: 3.

A good Quaker, eighty-five years of age, whom no one ever heard speak a cross word, was asked by a young man how he had been able, through the trials and perplexities of a long life, to keep always so pleasant.

He replied, "Dayton, if thee never allows thy voice to rise, thee won't ever be likely to get very angry."

Let us remember this, young men, and try to keep our voices "soft and low."

GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL WELCOME.

STRANGERS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

That the Rooms of the

Toronto Young Men's Christian
Association.

ARE IN ITS BUILDING,

SHAFTESBURY HALL

Corner Queen and James Sts.,

ONE BLOCK WEST OF YONGE STREET.

Rooms open daily from 8 a.m. till 10 p.m.

You will be cordially welcomed.

ITEMS.

NEVER mistake perspiration for inspiration.

HE who tries to be his own saviour has a fool for his client.—Spurgeon.

THAT unfinished block is my master, and I am its obedient pupil.—Angelo.

THREE questions should govern every utterance. Is it true? Is it kind? Is it necessary?

No man is good enough to govern another man without that other's consent.—Lincoln.

THE want of belief is a defect that ought to be concealed if it cannot be overcome.—Dean Swift.

THE men who succeed best in life are those who take the risk of standing by their own convictions.—Garfield.

INVESTIGATION is the life of truth, whose acid-touch but cleanses purity, yet writes damnation on hypocrisy.—Dean Swift.

I will be sanctified in them that come nigh Me.
Lev. x. 3.

EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS

Every SUNDAY, at 3 p.m.
Conducted by General Secretary.

ALL INVITED.

I HAVE so much business to do to-day that I shall not be able to get through with it with less than three hours of prayer.—*Martin Luther.*

HAD the doctrines of Jesus been preached always as pure as they came from his lips, the world would now have been Christian.—*Thomas Jefferson.*

THOSE who walk with God hear His voice, and He employs them. Reader, are you walking so near that you could hear His voice if He called? He uses those who are nearest to Him.

"THOU wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusteth in Thee." Peace is the result of a restful trust in God, and the enjoyment of peace is the privilege of every returned prodigal and of every other forgiven sinner.

THE Association cause was never so strong on this Continent as it is to-day. It never commanded so much money; it never had so firm a hold as now upon public sympathy; never have Association men seen so clearly as now that it is their overshadowing duty in these societies to labor primarily, chiefly, always for the salvation of *young men*; and never has the Great Head of the Church more richly blessed their efforts than in the year just closed.—*International Committee, N. Y.*

REMEMBER

THAT A

BOY'S MEETING

IS HELD

EVERY FRIDAY EVENING,

At 8 o'clock, in Parlor "B" Shaftesbury Hall.
ALL BOYS INVITED.

BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK.

MONDAY, MAY 11.

12 noon.—Praise and Thanksgiving. General Secretary.
8 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS.
9 p.m.—Young Men's Prayer and Testimony Meeting.

TUESDAY, MAY 12.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Servants of God or Sin's Hirelings—Which? Rom. vi. 16-23. Rev. J. Salmon.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Am I Trying to Shirk my Plain Duty? Matt. xxvii, 17-26. R. Merryfield.

THURSDAY, MAY 14.

12 to 12.45 noon.—He has not Ceased to Bless, Luke xxiv. 50-53; Ps. lxxviii. 18-19. Wm. Marks.

FRIDAY, MAY 15.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Of whom speaketh the Prophet Isaiah? Isa. liii. 7, 8; Acts viii. 26-40. S. R. Briggs.

7.30 p.m.—BOY'S LECTURE. Subject "A visit to the Mammoth Cave." Mr. J. D. Nasmith.

SATURDAY, MAY 16.

12 to 12.45 noon.—What think ye of Christ. Matt. xxii. 42; xxvi. 66. Assistant Secretary.

7.15 p.m.—Invitation Committee Meets for Prayer.

8 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. J. J. Gartshore.

SUNDAY, MAY 17.

3.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Bible Class. General Secretary.

" Deaf Mute Class. F. S. Brigden.

" Chinese Class. W. M. Morse.

" Italian Class.

8.30 p.m.—Gospel and Song Service. H. B. Gordon. Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15.

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Sec'y.

Railway Men's Meeting.

THURSDAY, MAY 14.

7.30 p.m., for one hour.—At York. Cottage Meeting at Alex. Shield's; address by J. Bousfield.

FRIDAY, MAY 15.

12.35 to 12.55 p.m.—Bible Reading at G.T.R. Roundhouse, City. Rev. J. Salmon.

SUNDAY, MAY 17.

GOSPEL MEETINGS.

3 p.m.—Union Station. Robt. Johnston and J. Gibb.

3.15 p.m.—At York. P. A. Hertz and J. Macgregor.