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GOD LOVES YOU.

God is love.—1 John iv. 15.

For God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—John iii. 16.

God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.—Romans v. 8

In this was manifested the love of God towards us, because that God sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.—1 John iv. 9.

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.—1 John iv. 10.

Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us.—1 John iii. 16.

BEAR IT IN MIND,

THAT the Railway Reading Rooms on Queen St. West, No. 1020, directly opposite the new factory, just east of the railway crossing, is open from 8 in the morning, till 10 at night, and is

FREE TO ALL.

Call and see them, and do not leave without going up stairs to see parlor, Bath room, etc., etc. There is hardly any desirable paper, or magazine of interest, the latest copies of which are not on fyle. Very convenient for any who are waiting for street cars.

THE FIRST SOCIAL AND RE-UNION OF MEMBERS THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS.

WILL be held in our west end rooms 1020 Queen St. West on Thursday evening October 4th. The Ladies Auxiliary Society will provide tea from 6.30 to 7.30 P.M. At 8, a meeting will be held in the Free Reading Room, when W. H. Howland, Esq., (*Chairman of the Railway Committee*) will preside, and HON. S. H. BLAKE, (President of the Toronto Y. M. C. A.) has said that he will *do his best* to be present with us, and will only allow absence from the city to prevent his attendance. Mr. L. C. Peake will also give a short address on "Chautauqua and its Associations." We hope we shall have a large attendance. Good Music will be rendered during the evening. To cover expenses a charge of 15 cents will be made, as the ladies will need more than they possess to carry on the good work during the winter.

The Railway Committee will meet between 7 and 8 P. M. in Conference with west end workers.

INTERESTING.



Our Sunday Afternoon Gospel Service, Sept. 16th, in the west end rooms an *interesting* bit of information was volunteered by Rev. Chas. Duff, who delivered a most practical Gospel address, on the Benefit of forgiveness of Sins; after expressing the great joy he experienced on account of the progress of Railway Y. M. C. A. work, going on at present here, and at many other places; he stated—that he might claim to be father of it in Toronto, for he taught a Bible Class of G. T. R. Men, in Brock St. Temperance Hall, in 1860-61. When he was leaving Toronto the class presented him with a copy of Barnes notes in 11 volumes. The following is the inscription on the 1st volume:

The undersigned Members of The CHRISTIAN MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY of the Western District of Toronto beg their kind Friend MR. DUFF to accept a Copy of BARNES' NOTES in eleven Volumes as a Token of their high appreciation of his valuable services on Sabbath Afternoons during the Winter Months of '1860 and '1861. It is their earnest wish that his future labours may be eminently successful, and that the peculiar adaptation to interest the Young which he possesses in so large a degree may prove a Blessing to his own Charge when he is favoured to be placed over a Church.

TORONTO, 10th April, 1861.

V. Pennington,
William Marie,
James Kelly,
James Waldie,
Ruthur McDugald,
Robert Carse,
J. Laird,
Richard Smith,
Andrew Tannock,

George Hamilton,
James D. Smith,
Earnest Whithead,
Henry King,
Charles Flavel,
Charles Wells,
Charles Nield,
John Mulholland,
Robert Halliday.

With exception of Mr. J. Laird, all these signatures are those of Railway Men. Mr. Laird is still a resident of Toronto. If any of our readers can give us information relating to the others we shall be pleased to receive the same. Address W. E. Burford.

AN EPITAPH.

On an old tombstone in Hownham Churchyard, England.

LIFE is short,
And DEATH is sure;
SIN's the wound,
And CHRIST's the cure.

A TRIP FROM TORONTO TO BELLVILLE IMPROVED.



SUNDAY, October 21st, Train leaves 3 p.m., W. J. McClure, Conductor, will make the trip within one hour, paying special attention to the passengers by pointing out the places of interest along the line and explaining their symbolism. Conductor McClure has been running over that piece of road for 25 years and is therefore well qualified to talk about it. He sees in the trip an allegory of life, in all its stages and various experiences; in fact to him it is a *Pilgrim's progress*. The address has been previously delivered on more than one occasion and at more than one place and all who heard declare that it was profitable. He has carefully revised it and proposes to deliver it at our Railway Y. M. C. A. Rooms, 1020 Queen St. West on Sunday Oct. 21st at 3 in the afternoon. Let every train hand on all the roads do their best to hear one of their number tell the story of the Cross in Railroad Metaphor and *Phraseology*.

NOTICE.

There is no fare for you to pay,
The passes all are free,
The price was paid ere you were born,
By Christ at Calvary.

WORKERS.



ON Thursday evening Sept. 6th about 30 christians met in our parlor in west end rooms to confer about the work, and to divide the labor, several volunteered to undertake different parts of the work. As a branch we have no (earthly) authority to appoint committees but many of our friends agreed to act. On the following Monday evening several of the committees met to do their work.

Our Brother H. J. Brine took the Chairmanship of the most important committee viz., the *Devotional or Religious Meetings*, with him are associated Messrs. Roney, Dunn and Squirrel of C. V. Ry. W. H. Berresford of G. T. R. and Messrs. Briggs, McFarlane and Richardson. These Brethren have agreed to meet for Conference and Prayer 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, *Pray for them.*

Bro. A. Howe, Chairman of Reception Committee.

Bro. A. M. Williams, of Tract Committee.

Bro. W. E. Burford, of Rooms and Supply Committee.

Bro. J. Earls, of Entertainment Committee.

Membership, W. J. McClure, R. Brown, J. Roney, Mr. J. Dunn.

All these Committees have permission to accept volunteers to help, we hope many will come forward.

NOTES.

G. T. R. READING ROOMS.

THE attendance at the meeting held here has been fluctuating. It is our earnest desire to make this meeting unsecular, and of benefit to all concerned. One of the friends enquired why some of "Our Church of England Clergy do not come to speak," and another why a pastor of his "beloved denomination" was not secured occasionally. We have done our best to please all and will continue to do so, for this month it will be observed that the Gospel Train, will be ran with *Methodist* fire in the box, *Baptist* water in the Boiler, the track laid with Congregational ties, Presbyterian Bee-line ("strait as a rule; tunnel right through a mountain rather than go round it; Spirit level grade;) rock bed,—Pulling up the Month with "Church of England" Steel rails (nice line). Let all who can turn in, if only for a few minutes. Come whether employed in the Loco. Dept. or not. Some of the YARD, FREIGHT and TRACK MEN could easily do so. Let MORE of the Northern men run over for half their dinner hour and take some "Bread of life sent down from Heaven" from the hand of Him who said a long time ago to his followers "*Come and dine.*"

CLASSES.

CLASSES in Drawing, Phonography and Book-keeping, have been arranged for in connection with the City Association and it is hoped also to add one in Elocution. Members of the West End and Railway Branch are entitled to enter these Classes without extra charge.

TO ALL MEMBERS AND INTENDING MEMBERS.

THIS month commences another Railway Y. M. C. A. year. Many friends have become members recently, but we must have 300 or 400 more; who will come forward and help us? Now is the time to do so. We stand in need of every man in the west end no matter on which railway or in what establishment he may be employed. You cannot afford to stand aloof, our expences in the west end alone, maintenance of rooms—as at present—cannot be less than \$600 annually. There are plenty of friends in the vicinity to raise this amount, and each one be the better for it.

That which is offered to each member is worth more than the fee several times over. Each member is entitled to every advantage offered by the general Y. M. C. A., in addition to our well furnished rooms at 1020 Queen Street, West, including bath rooms with hot and cold water, etc. etc.

The Conditions of Membership are :—
ACTIVE MEMBERS.

—Any young man who is a communicant of an Evangelical Church shall be eligible for active service. Active members or sustaining members of the active class, only have the right to vote or hold office.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.

—Any young man over fourteen years of age, of good moral character, shall be eligible for associate membership. Associate members shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Association.

SUSTAINING MEMBERS.

Any person approved of by the Board, and agreeing to pay an annual fee of \$5, may become a sustaining member.

FEES.

—Each active and associate member, other than life and sustaining members, shall pay before enrolment a subscription up to the 1st of October following, at the rate of \$2 per annum, and thereafter on the 1st of October in each following year the sum of \$2.

Forms of application may be secured at Shaftesbury Hall, Branch rooms, 1020 Queen Street, West, from Railway Secretary or any of the members. May we not hope that many will promptly apply. Please see that your applications are marked *West End Branch.*

PROGRAMME for OCTOBER.

MEETINGS

IN ROOMS 1020 QUEEN STREET WEST.

SUNDAY 7.30 A.M. WORKERS PRAYER MEETING. Chairman for October,
E. V. Batstone.

GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE.

SUNDAY, Oct. 7.... at 3 P.M.... S. R. BRIGGS, and REV. CHAS. DUFF.
" " 14.... " JOHN RONEY, and MR. FRENCH.
" " 21.... " W. E. BURFORD, and W. J. McCLURE.
" " 28.... " JOS. GREENE, and REV. E. CLEMENTS.

Prayer and Inquirers Meeting for 10 minutes in Parlor at close of this service.

EVERY TUESDAY, in Parlor at 8 P.M., SECRETARY'S BIBLE CLASS, *Subject*
International Sunday School Lesson for following Sunday.

First and third Tuesday of each month, Devotional Committee meets
for prayer and conference at *close of Bible Class*.

EVERY SATURDAY 8 P.M., YOUNG MEN'S MEETING,

CHAIRMAN, October 6... S. R. BRIGGS.
" " 13.... R. PERRY.
" " 20.... W. H. BERRESFORD.
" " 27.... J. T. RICHARDSON.

THURSDAY October 4th, 4.30 P.M. Ladies' Auxiliary Society Meeting. for the
Election of officers for ensuing year. At 6.30 tea provided by the
Ladies'. At 8 P.M. Workers Meeting, W. H. Howland, Esq.,
(Chairman of Ry. Committee) to Preside.

MEETINGS AT OTHER PLACES.

UNION STATION GOSPEL MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, October 7... 3 P.M.... Jos. GREENE. and REV. THOS. CULLEN.
" " 14.... " WM. GOODERHAM, and WM. BLIGHT.
" " 21.... " R. FAIRBAIRN, and W. H. BERRESFORD.
" " 28.... " W. E. BURFORD, and REV. WM. BROOKMAN.

G. T. BY. (LOCO. DEPT.) READING ROOM.

Every Tuesday, 12.25, BIBLE READING.

TUESDAY, October 2... J. EARLS, and REV. H. M. PARSONS.
" " 9... J. J. GARTSHORE, and REV. J. SALMON.
" " 16... W. E. BURFORD, and REV. CHAS. DUFF.
" " 23... J. EARLS, and REV. T. W. JEFFERY.
" " 30... J. J. GARTSHORE, and REV. T. DES BARRES.

TORONTO GRAY AND BRUCE WORK-SHOPS.

Every Wednesday at 12.30, BIBLE READING.

FRIDAY 8 P.M. COTTAGE MEETING, 232 Dundas Street.