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"Jesus Christ:
whom having
not seen, ye love; in
whom, though now ye
see Him not, yet be-
lieving, ye rejoice with
joy unspeakable and
full of glory."

1 Peter i. 8.

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RECEPTION COMMITTEE.

MEMBERS of the Board of Directors who have volunteered to be on duty with the Reception Committee, will please note the appointments for the present week:—

Monday, July 3, - J. McDunnough.
Tuesday, " 4, - H. B. Gordon.
Wednesday, " 5, - D. C. Forbes.
Thursday, " 6, - J. O. Anderson.
Friday, " 7, - W. Garside.

Please do not let other matters interfere with this most important appointment.

A PROFITABLE VISIT.

DURING the past six days we have been privileged with the presence and assistance of Mr. John Currie, the Scotch Evangelist. We don't wish to write a single word which might be construed into words of flattery, but those who (with us) knew him, some years ago when God for Christ's sake forgave him his sins, must join us in saying that his knowledge of the Word of God, and the original and forcible manner in which he presents the truth is astonishing. Truly "this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes."

Young Man, what God did and is doing for him He is able and willing to do for you. Put Him to the test.

BIBLE CLASSES.

OUR Bible Classes are increasing in interest and also in attendance. It is pleasing to note this increased interest in the study of God's word.

YOUNG MAN !

BEAR IN MIND

THAT **YOU** ARE

INVITED

TO COME TO THE ROOMS OF THIS
ASSOCIATION,

Whenever you like, and that you will be cordially welcomed, whether you are a member or not.

**YOUNG MEN'S
BIBLE GLASS**

EVERY MONDAY EVENING,
AT 8 O'CLOCK,

Conducted by the General Secretary.

ALL INVITED.

BIBLE STUDIES.

IT has been suggested by some of our Members that we give in each number of the Bulletin a brief Bible Reading. We can not promise to prepare one for each number but (D.V.) will endeavor to give one or two each month. If those, outline studies shall prove an incentive to the search after truth, by our Young Men, we shall be amply compensated for any extra labor entailed.

The Word of God saith that

"SIN

**IS THE TRANSGRESSION OF
THE LAW."**

**"The blood of Jesus Christ His
(God's) Son cleanseth us
from all sin."**

ABSENT BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

QUR worthy President Hon. S. H. Blake, is at present on a visit to England. He expects to be with us again in September. During his absence W. H. Howland Esq. will have charge of the Teachers Bible Class Saturday afternoons.

MUTUAL ENCOURAGEMENT.



AFIRE broke out one night in a small house in London. The alarm was given, the fire-escape arrived. The firemen sought to get out the inhabitants. All were out safe but one little boy, who was seen at the window above. A gallant fireman mounted the ladder to reach the boy, but was driven back by the heat of the fire and clouds of smoke. A great crowd had assembled, and were anxiously watching the fireman as he again tried to ascend. He is up! No; he is driven back again by the fierce flames.

A man in the crowd shouts with a loud voice, "Give him a cheer, boys!" A hearty British cheer rung out. The fireman, so helped and encouraged by this, sprang up the ladder once more. Cheered on, he reached the window and rescued the boy.

Turn to Isa. xli. 6. "They helped every one his neighbour; and every one said to his brother, Be of good courage (margin, strong). So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, and he that smootheeth with the hammer him that smote the anvil." Different workers, but they helped and encouraged each other. Mutual encouragement.

"LIFE."



WE are born with a life, but we must have *the* life.

The life is eternal life, the new life, spiritual life, life in union with Christ. Till we have this life we are only *existing*. We have not begun really *to live*.

There must be a **NEW CREATION.**

We cannot patch up the old life. Our life is so bad that it cannot be made better, we must have a new one.

We require a **NEW NATURE** and a **NEW LIFE.**

Not *outward reformation*, but a *renovation*, that is needed.

Not *outward reformation*, but *inward transformation*.

We must *receive* the new life, and then the vital energies of His Being shall fill our souls.

We must be regenerated in soul, in order to be truly reformed in life. That

change will be seen outwardly, if it exist inwardly.

“Natural life began when we were born into the world. Spiritual life begins at the cross of Christ.”

Unchanged and unrenewed man must be really “born again,” and receive Christ as a Saviour, and as Life, before he can live for God.

God’s work begins in the heart, and works outward, till it changes the whole man, and every word and work of that man.

The heart, the centre of man, must be right first. There is no good cleaning the face of a clock while the mainspring is broken. No use dealing with the outward man, while the inward man is all wrong.

THE “ATONEMENT”

was needed on account of man’s sin, and God’s holiness.

It was provided by God’s love.

The atonement of Christ was the *proof* of God’s love to man.

God proved the *fact* of His love, the *greatness*, and the *freeness*, of His love.

The *fact* of His love by providing a remedy for a fallen world.

The *greatness*, by providing such a sacrifice.

The *freeness*, because we not only could not merit such a gift, but we never even asked Him.

Atonement is God’s gift to man, and the power of atonement is in the blood. “It is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.” (Lev. xvii. 11.) God and the sinner *at one* through Jesus.

A PRESENT SALVATION.



LOOK at it for a moment in this way.

God loved and gave, gave His Son, gave salvation.

The sinner believes and has, has salvation.

On God’s side, His free-giving.

On man’s side, our free-taking and receiving.

That is the *present possession* of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ. I take God at His word, believe what He says, accept His gift, and rejoice in the present possession of such a gift.

The fact remains the same whether I

believe it or not, that God gave His Son; everlasting life has been purchased for me; 1,800 years ago everything necessary was done *on God’s side*, for my salvation. Nothing I do can alter the fact. I shall go without the blessing, without the joy and peace, without the possession of it, *unless I accept it for myself*. It will be my own loss and fault. I cannot blame anyone else.

Remember, that the sight of a river will not quench thirst; food may be on your table, very near you, but unless you partake of it, you will derive no benefit; so you will never be really satisfied, or happy, till you come to Christ and make His salvation yours.

“CONDEMNATION”—“SALVATION.”

Two important words with which we all have to do. We must know the former, or else we shall never understand the latter. There are three steps comprised in these two words.

1. A *knowledge* of our lost condition as sinners, by the light of the Holy Spirit.

2. An *assurance* of Christ’s sufficiency as a Saviour.

3. *Acceptance* of the salvation which God has provided in Christ.

In these three steps we shall experience the change out of the old creation, with its *condemnation and death*, into the new creation, with its *justification and life*.

GOD’S ORDER IN SALVATION.

1. The Father designed.
2. The Son executed.
3. The Holy Ghost applies.

ORDER IN OPERATION.

3. The Holy Ghost (John xvi. 13) points to
2. The Son (John xiv. 6), the way, the life
1. The Father receives, welcomes, pardons, &c.

Reason alone, will never lead a human soul to the knowledge of the living God. Religion must be a thing of personal experience, a thing of the *heart*, or it is worthless. Not only accept with the understanding, but also receive with the heart, *then* it will be real.

**GOSPEL AND SONG
SERVICE,**

Every Sunday Evening,
AT 8.30.

Good Singing, with Y.M.C.A. Orchestra
accompanying.

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 July 3, 1882.

MONDAY.....	July 3....	12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING. J. Currie.
				8.00 P.M. WORKERS' BIBLE CLASS. Conducted by the Secretary.
TUESDAY.....	" 4....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Alf. Sandham.
WEDNESDAY	" 5....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Personal Work. John i. 40-51. Rev. J. Salmon.
THURSDAY...	" 6....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. The Word with Power. Luke iv. 30-36. W. P. Crombie.
FRIDAY	" 7....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. The Living Foun- tain. Isa. lv. 1-3. J. J. Gartshore.
				8.00 P.M. BOYS' MEETING. Charles Edwards.
SATURDAY ..	July 8....	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. An Exalted Nation. Deut. iv. 31-40; Ps. cxlvii. 20. Rev. H. Melville.
				4.50 P.M. TEACHERS' BIBLE CLASS. W. H. How- land.
				8.00 P.M. YOUNG MEN'S MEETING Something Lacking. Mark x. 17-11. W. N. Mac- farlane.
SUNDAY	" 9....	3.00 P.M.		EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS. S.R. Briggs.
		8.30 P.M.		GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. W. P. Crombie.

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

RAILROAD MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, July 9, 3.00 P.M.—Gospel Meetings at Union Station and at
Nipissing Station.