

# SHAFTESBURY HALL

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**"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."**

John iii. 36.

### BULLETIN FUND.

Found.....	\$ 24
A Lady.....	50
Cash.....	10
A Lady Friend.....	1 00

### OUR DEBT.

**W**E have good reason to expect that by God's blessing upon the efforts of our worthy President, Chairman of Finance and other friends, we shall during this month be in possession of a subscription list sufficient to cover all the indebtedness of the Association; also to enable us to make some much needed alterations and repairs in our Hall.

### BOARDING HOUSE WORK

**T**HE Chairman of the Boarding House Committee presents a very encouraging report for the past month, and also speaks in high terms of the increasing activity and earnestness of the workers. The following is a summary of the month's work:—

Visits to Boarding Houses	- - - 1104
" Hotels	- - - 123
" Fire Halls	- - - 39
" Police Stations	- - - 8
" Car and Livery Stables.	28
" Union Station	- - - 5
Young Men spoken to	- - - 278
Bulletin's distributed	- - - 7510
Tracts	" - - - 5000

### NIAGARA CAMP.

**T**HE work this year has been one of great encouragement. So far as outward surroundings were concerned the work was more trying upon our brethren who labored in the Camp, owing to the very wet weather which continued with little intermission during the twelve days. But if showers of rain descended, there were also showers of blessing, and many, very many, have reason to bless God for the visit to Niagara. In our last number we published short extracts from the worker's letters.

We now give additional items furnished since then.

June 29, 1883.

There have been over 650 letters written in the tent up to present date. The men seem to appreciate all we have

It is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.—Matthew iv. 10.

**God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him  
in spirit and in truth.—John iv. 23, 24.**

done very much. We are doing our best to distribute those 'souvenirs.' It is quite a job, but the men are so pleased to get them that some come and offer their services in folding them. Thursday morning when I came in sight of the Camp, I saw the tent partly blown down, but as soon as I arrived at the tent I found willing hands to assist in putting things in order. We have had to fight against many things, but God has enabled us to come off more than conquer through prayer. I have been out through the Camp to-day and met with much encouragement. The company from Cookstown seem to be very much taken up with the working of the Y. M. C. A. I was asked by one to-day if we could not help to start an Association in Cookstown. They seem very eager to have one. The meetings are increasing, and good has been done. For the last two evenings the meetings have been left open for Volunteers to take part and many have witnessed for Christ, nearly all of them are young men who have taken part in the services.

JULY 30, 1883.

DEAR BROTHER,—I have no doubt you will be glad to hear of the work going on here. The meetings are increasing in interest every night. On Wednesday night we had a very fine gathering, about nine young men spoke with great power. On Thursday night we had about 12 young men take part. One young man asked Arthur to write a letter for him, the first statement in it was to the effect that he had become a child of God by faith in Christ Jesus. Last night we had Mr. Bone with us, and we had a glorious time as usual; the tent was crammed. At half-past nine we brought the meeting to a test, when seventeen young men asked for the prayers of God's people. Truly it was a time of great blessing in our after meeting, quite a large number remained, and we were kept busy pointing out the way. We expect a great time to-night. This letter will reach you before your meeting to-night.

Remember the seventeen anxious ones and three backsliders who are anxious to be restored. There are four more meetings and then we will have to close. God grant they may be meetings of power. We will remember your meetings to-night and to-morrow night. Trusting you will have a glorious time, I remain yours in christian fellowship,

The "souvenirs" referred to in the first letter is an 8-page folder, handsomely printed in six colors. It contains Scripture texts; a special invitation to visit our Rooms when in Toronto; an invitation to the tent; a page devoted to a brief notice of Y. M. C. A. work; and a two-page map (in colors) of Toronto, showing the most direct route from the wharf and stations, to Shaftesbury Hall.

The brethren have returned home, somewhat wearied in body but cheered in soul. They report the greatest kindness shewn them by all, and especially speak gratefully of the kind treatment and hearty sympathy extended them by Lt.-Col. Denison.

About 800 letters were posted from the tent. These were written upon neatly printed letter heading furnished by the Association.

We ask our readers to make it a subject of prayer that God's Spirit may deepen the impressions made upon those who heard the word.

Should any friend feel led to contribute toward the expense of the work, we will gladly receive, and acknowledge the same. The total expense was about \$100.

FOR a few brief days the orchards are white with blossoms. They soon turn to fruits, or else float away, useless and wasted, upon the idle breeze. So will it be with present feelings. They must be deepened into decision, or be entirely dissipated by delay.—Cuyler.

**Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath  
everlasting life.—John vi. 47.**

All men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father.  
John v. 23.

### THE GOSPEL OF THE DEVIL.

A Skeleton Sermon.

"Ye shall not surely die."—Gen. 3: 4.

DOCTRINE - GOD WILL NOT PUNISH SIN  
THE WAY HE SAYS HE WILL.

1. *What the Devil's Gospel is.*
  1. He has a gospel.
  2. It is an ancient gospel.
  3. It is a plausible gospel.
  4. It is a lying gospel.
2. *What it does.*
  1. Comforts the wicked.
  2. Encourages men in their sins.
  3. Hinders men from repentance.
3. *What it leads to.*
  1. Suspicion of God's character.
  2. Transgression of God's law.
  3. Dislike of God's power.
4. *What it ends in.*
  1. Separation from God.
  2. Shameful nakedness.
  3. Irremediable misery.

BELIEVE IT NOT.

(Sword and Trowel.)

A CHRISTIAN should never be troubled because he is asked to give. If he *cannot* give, he may well be sorry, but if he does not wish to give, he ought to be more than sorry—he should be alarmed.

### EVANGELISTIC

## BIBLE CLASS

HELD

EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON,

AT 3 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

All are invited.

## YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Every Monday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL INVITED.

"THERE WERE TWO."

PEOPLE say sometimes. "I shall take my chance with the dying thief." Ah! but with which of them? There were two.

These were the words I heard from some one preaching in the open-air, as I passed on the railway station at —, and my mind has again and again recalled that solemn story of Luke xxiii. "*There were two.*" Yes, indeed. One went from the side of the Lord Jesus to the paradise of God, and the other went to reap eternally the wages of his sins.

Reader, "*there were two.*" With which of them will you spend ETERNITY? Ah! ponder the solemn thought and awful alternative; an eternity of unsullied bliss with Jesus, or the blackness of darkness for ever with the devil and his angels. "*Be reconciled to God.*" That gracious Saviour's heart is the same to-day as when He hung upon that cross. He says still, "*Come unto Me.*" Reject not this offer of mercy; it may be your last.

## A MEETING FOR BOYS

IS HELD

Every Friday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL BOYS WELCOME.

He that honoureth not the Son, honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.—John v. 23.

## 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.**

## Bulletin for Week Commencing July 9, 1883.

MONDAY.....	July 9....	12.00 M.	7.30 P.M.	7.30 P.M.	8 00 P.M.	PRAISE & THANKSGIVING. The Secretary. <b>MEETING FOR ENQUIRERS</b> in Parlour "C." INVITATION COMMITTEE MEETS FOR PRAYER. YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS, in Parlor "B." Conducted by the Secretary.
TUESDAY.....	"	10....	12 00 M.			NOONDAY PRAYER. Rev. J. Salmon.
WEDNESDAY....	"	11....	12.00 M.			NOONDAY PRAYER. W. Marks.
THURSDAY....	"	12....	12.00 M.	8.00 P.M.		NOONDAY PRAYER. A. Gay. WORKERS' MEETING for mutual edifi- cation.
FRIDAY.....	"	13....	12.00 M.	8.00 P.M.		NOONDAY PRAYER. F. Aston. BOYS' LECTURE.
SATURDAY....	"	14....	12.00 M.	7.30 P.M.		NOONDAY PRAYER. Assistant Secretary INVITATION COMMITTEE MEETS FOR PRAYER.
SUNDAY.....	July 15...		8.00 P.M.	3.00 P.M.	8.30 P.M.	YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. J. Adams. EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS. H. B. Gordon DEAF MUTE CLASS. CHINESE CLASS. GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. S. Caldecott. Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15.

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

## RAILROAD AND OTHER BRANCH MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, July 15, 3.00 P.M.

GOSPEL MEETING at Union Station and at West End Branch (1020 Queen W.)  
Young Men's Meeting every Saturday at 8 p.m.; Bible Class every Tuesday at  
8 p.m.; Workers' Prayer Meeting every Sunday at 7.30 a.m., in  
the West End Branch Rooms.  
Noon Meeting every Tuesday from 12.30 to 12.55, in the G. T. P Roundhouse  
Reading Room, and every Wednesday at the same hour, in  
the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Workshops.