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NO TIME TO BE LOST.

"Boast not thyself of to-morrow."

—Proverbs xxvii. 1.

"My Spirit shall not always strive with man."—Gen. vi. 3.

THE RAIKE'S CENTENARY.

On Monday evening 6th inst., Shaftesbury Hall was filled with an appreciative audience assembled to welcome our esteemed President Vice-Chancellor Blake. For over one hour he was listened to with intense satisfaction, as he recounted the scenes of interest in connection with his visit to the Raikes Centenary, and to the continent. A vote of thanks was unanimously passed, after which the audience separated, with hopes that at an early date the Vice-Chancellor might be induced to deliver another address on the same subject. Rev. Dr. Potts occupied the chair.

THE EXHIBITION.

This Association and the Canadian Evangelization Society have this year united in carrying on the Tent Meetings on the Exhibition Grounds. A new and commodious tent has been secured and pitched in a most conspicuous place. It has been floored, Reading Desks have been erected and every possible effort made to render it attractive and comfortable. We have met with hearty co-operation on the part of the public in the form of donation of papers, &c. necessary. There are on file about 20 newspapers and a good supply of periodicals. Every facility for letter writing is furnished free of charge. Two meetings are held daily under the supervision of Messrs. H. J. Ware and W. P. Crombie. At the afternoon services we enjoy the presence and aid of strangers, and of our City Pastors. These meetings were thinly attended the first week but during the last week the

attendance has been very large, and we have evidence that good has been accomplished.

EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS.

These are being held in Shaftesbury Hall every evening. The attendance is increasing and we are confidently expecting a rich blessing in connection with this effort to spread the Gospel news.

MEETING FOR CONFERENCE, PRAYER, AND CONSECRATION.

For some months past it has been laid upon the hearts of a number of Christian friends that a Weekly Meeting for Conference and united waiting upon God would not only result in very much spiritual benefit, but God would be greatly glorified.

The Board of Managers of the Toronto Young Men's Christian Association, having kindly granted the free use of one of the Parlors in Shaftesbury Hall, it has been decided to hold such a meeting on the Afternoon of Tuesday of each week at 4 o'clock. The first meeting was held on the 14th, with a very encouraging attendance. Christians of all denominations are most affectionately invited to attend and take part.

These Meetings will be confined STRICTLY to the object for which they have been organized.

CLASSES.—We purpose at an early day, to organize for the coming season. Members who may desire to join classes in Elocution, Vocal Music, or Phonography will please leave their names at once with the Secretary. Other classes will be formed should a sufficient number offer.

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved."—Acts xvi. 31.

Gospel and Song Service,

SABBATH EVENING, 8.30.

YOU
ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.

LECTURE COURSE.—The committee are now completing arrangements. Among the number thus far secured are Remonyi and J. B. Gough, two names favorably known to the Toronto public.



“IS THAT ALL.”

When we present Jesus crucified, as the Saviour of Men, we sometimes hear the words “Is that all.” “That is not much.” When I hear this, my memory goes back to one summer evening about six years ago. The wind had been high throughout the day, but all was now calm. Passing along I noticed upon a telegraph wire, what appeared to be a round black ball. At first I wondered what it could be, but coming nearer I saw that it was a Bird. The little thing had been wearied no doubt with its efforts against the wind, and flying along it saw this wire. It was only a little wire, but it was enough, and the bird had lit upon it, placed its claws around the wire, curled its head under its wing, and rested. It was not much. Only a wire stretched from pole to pole, and raised between heaven and earth. But it was enough. It could hold up, and give a resting place not only to that bird but to ten thousand like it. And so with the Christ of the Gospel. You say “It is not much.” Only a Man extended upon the Cross on Cal-

vary. Only a Man raised between heaven and earth. True, but it is “THE Man Christ Jesus.” What we offer is sufficient. Ten thousand times ten thousand have by simple faith rested on him, and have been eternally saved. Thousands are now resting in him and find him sufficient, and yet there’s room for millions more. Dear Young Man “only trust Him.” Cease your own efforts against the storms of sin. Settle down upon Him. Come unto Him, and like the little Bird you shall find rest.

LOOK TO THE FOUNDATION.

The most beautiful building reared on the sand would be of little service. The storm would surely overturn it. As a good foundation is the most essential part of the building, so it is the most essential part of Character. The only safe and sure foundation on which to rear the important fabric of your character is Christ. “Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation, a stone, a tried stone, a precious stone, a sure foundation.” Built upon that, your character is for ever safe; built on aught else, the storms of life, the ordeals of death and judgment are sure to overturn it. When men would secure a solid foundation on which to rest a durable building, they dig down through the soil and the hard-pan until they reach the solid rock. Young men, dig down through everything until you reach the Rock of Ages. On that alone can you build Character with confidence. Look at what Paul says: “Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now, if any man build upon this foundation, gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; every man’s work shall be manifest; for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire, and the fire shall try every man’s work of what sort it is.”

Sunday Afternoon Bible Class,

SHAFTESBURY HALL, 3 O’CLOCK.

YOU
ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass,

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.—Isa. xl. 7-8.

THE man that has an empty cup may pray, and should pray that it may be filled; but he that has a cup full, ought to pray that he may hold it firmly. It needs prayer in prosperity that we may have grace to use it, as truly as it needs prayer in poverty that we may have grace to bear it.

GOD IS LOVE.

ADVICE TO TRAVELLERS.

"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness I can show, to any fellow being, let me do it NOW. Let me not defer, or neglect it, for I SHALL NOT PASS THIS WAY AGAIN."

ETERNITY!

CHRIST has once been smitten, and woe to those who smite Him again, seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, Smite Him not again, lest He swear unto you in His wrath, as unto Moses, that ye shall not enter into His rest.

BLESSED is the memory of those who have kept themselves unspotted from the world. Yet more blessed and more dear the memory of those who have kept themselves unspotted in the world.

Young Men's Meeting,

SATURDAY EVENING, 8 O'CLOCK.

YOU

ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.

Y. M. C. A. LECTURE COURSE.

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OCTOBER 11th, 1880.

Bulletin for Week Commencing Sept. 20th, 1880.

MONDAY	Sept. 20	.. 12.00 M.	Praise Meeting—Be ye thankful. Col. iii. 15. Rev. H. Melville.
			8.00 P.M.	Bible Class. H. A. Bruton.
TUESDAY	.....	" 21	.. 12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer. Entrance into the Kingdom of God. John x. 9: 2 Pet. i. 5-11.
WEDNESDAY	..	" 22	.. 12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer Christian Fellowship. Mal. iii. 16-17; Heb. iii. 13. W. Anderson.
THURSDAY	.....	" 23	.. 12.00 M.	Bible Reading, H. J. Ware.
FRIDAY	.....	" 24	.. 12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer. How Christian reproof should be received. 2 Sam. xii. 1-19; Ps. cxli. 5. Rev. J. B. Clarkson.
			8.00 P.M.	Boys' Meeting. Charles Edwards.
SATURDAY	....	" 25	.. 12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer. The Saviour and the Legalist. Luke x. 25-37. W. E. [Burford.
			4.00 P.M.	Teacher's Bible Class. S. H. Blake.
			8.00 P.M.	Young Men's Meeting. W. Flint Jones.
SUNDAY	.....	" 26	.. 9.30 A.M.	Workers' Meeting for Prayer and Bible Study.
			3.00 P.M.	Evangelistic Bible Class. S. R. Briggs.
			8.30 P.M.	Gospel and Song Service. A. D. Stewart

OPEN TO ALL, with exception of the Monday and Saturday Evening Meetings, which are exclusively for young men. A cordial invitation is extended. Requests for prayers may be addressed to the Secretary.

Railroad Men's Meetings.

SABBATH, Sept. 26, 3.00 P.M.—At Union Station—JOHN HARVIE and Rev. PAUL FLINT.
 " " At Nipissing Station—JOS. GREENE and the RAILROAD SECRETARY.
 COTTAGE MEETINGS are also held every MONDAY 8 P.M.—476 Adelaide St. W. Thursday 9 P.M.
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 Noon Meeting every Wednesday. 12.30 to 1—Toronto Grey & Bruce Reading Rooms.

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