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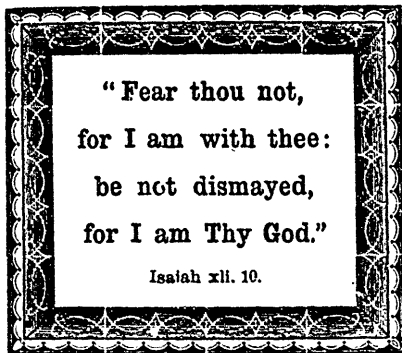
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CLASSES.

THE gentlemen who have volunteered to take charge of our classes, will be prepared to open the same during this week as follows:

Elocution—Mr. R. Lewis—Thursday.
Drawing—Mr. H. B. Gordon—Friday.
Phonography—Mr. A. McIntyre—Friday.

It will depend entirely upon the number offering, as to whether the classes will proceed or not. Members who desire to avail themselves of these advantages will therefore see the necessity for being present at the opening session.

THANKS.

OUR space this week will but admit of a brief note of thanksgiving for the blessing which has rested on the meetings held in our rooms during the past two weeks. Each day has seen souls set at liberty, and there are now many young men added to the saved. To God be all the glory.

THE RAGAN LECTURES.

MEMBERS desiring to avail themselves of the reduced rates for course tickets will please bear in mind that they *must* secure their tickets before 6 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 3rd, as *no Member's Tickets* will be issued on the evening of the Lectures. This will be strictly adhered to.

VOCAL CULTURE.

Address by

MR. R. LEWIS,

(Prof. of Elocution),

IN THE MEMBER'S PARLOR,

ON

THURSDAY EVE'G, DEC. 6,

At 8 o'clock.

ALL YOUNG MEN INVITED.

No admission fee.

At the close of address, names will be received for the class in Elocution.

Pray...that the word of the Lord may have free course.

2 Thess. iii. 1.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.
Col. iii. 16.

"BEFORE THEY CALL, I WILL
ANSWER."

IF the truth of this portion of God's Word, we have, during the past week, received some remarkable proof.

A young man attending our meetings was led (at one of the noon meetings) to accept of God's offer of salvation. At once he felt drawn to write to his friends in Ireland, with whom he had not corresponded very regularly. He wrote by last week's mail, and his letter had only been posted a day or so when he received a letter from home, in which his brother spoke of anxiety on his behalf, and urged him to accept of Jesus. Thus the letters had crossed, and the news of answer to prayer was winging its way to the praying one while he was yet speaking.

Another young man, a brother to one of our Y. M. C. A. Sec's, in the United States, was led into the truth on Friday, 23rd. In conversation with him we learned facts which led to the conclusion that it would be wise for him to return to his home from which he had wandered. Arrangements were made to this end, and on Monday morning he left by train. At 10 o'clock the same morning the mail brought us a letter from his brother (from whom we had never before received any communication) asking us to try and reach and influence the wanderer. Here again the answer was "while they were yet speaking."

EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS

HELD

EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON,

AT 3 O'CLOCK.

All We come.



THE BROKEN BUCKLE.

YOU have read in history of that hero who, when an overwhelming force was in full pursuit, and all his armed followers were urging him to more rapid flight, very coolly dismounted in order to repair a flaw in his horse's harness.

Whilst busied with the broken buckle, the distant cloud swept down in nearer thunders, but just as the prancing hoofs and eager spears were ready to dash down upon him, the flaw was mended, the clasp was fastened, the steed was mounted, and like a swooping falcon he had vanished from their view. The broken buckle would have left him on the field a dismounted and inglorious prisoner. The timely delay sent him in safety back to his huzzaina comrades.

There is in daily life the same precipitancy, and the same profitable delay. The man who, from his prayerless waking, bounces off into the business of the day, however good his talents, or great his diligence, is *only galloping on a steed harnessed with a broken buckle*, and must not marvel if, in his hottest haste, or most hazardous leap, he be left inglorious in the dust.

The Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation—2 Tim. iii. 15.

A BIBLE CATECHISM;

OR,

SOMETHING about NOTHING.

By ALF. SANDHAM.

- How much does man bring into the world?.....**NOTHING.** 1 Tim. vi. 7.
How much can a man carry out of the world?.....**NOTHING.** Ps. xlix. 17.
How much profit is there in ill-gotten wealth?.....**NOTHING.** Prov. x. 2.
What is the duration of life as viewed by God?... **NOTHING.** Ps. xxxix. 2.
What does the idler's wishes secure for him?.....**NOTHING.** Ps. xiii. 4.
What profit is derived from the works of the flesh?..**NOTHING.** Jn. vi. 63.
What profit is there in gifts without charity?.....**NOTHING.** 1 Cor. xiii. 3.
What is mere profession good for?.....**NOTHING.** Mat. v. 13; xxi. 19.
What should we expect from man for doing good?..**NOTHING.** Luke vi. 35.
How much will rites and ceremonies help a man?.....**NOTHING.** 1 Cor. vii. 19.
What is there from outside which can really defile a man?**NOTHING.** Mar. vii. 15.
What is secured by self-exaltation?.....**NOTHING.** { John viii. 54;
Gal. vi. 3.
How much respect has a sinner for that which is pure?**NOTHING.** Titus i. 15.
What progress can be made against truth?.....**NOTHING.** 2 Cor. xiii. 8.
What is there superior to Christ?.....**NOTHING.** Heb. ii. 8.
How much can we add to His work?... ..**NOTHING.** Ecc. iii. 14.
How much can we do apart from Him?.....**NOTHING.** Jn. xv. 5.
How much glory is due to us for preaching Christ?..**NOTHING.** 1 Cor. ix. 16.
What has men of the world to do in the cause of God?..**NOTHING.** Ezra iv. 3.
What difference does it make to God if our helpers }
be few. } **NOTHING.** 2 Chron. xiv. 11.
What is impossible to those who trust God?.....**NOTHING.** Matt. xvii. 20.
What should we be anxious about?.....**NOTHING.** Phil. iv. 6.
What shall offend the lover of God's Law?... ..**NOTHING.** Ps. cxix. 125.
If we patiently endure, what shall we lack?.....**NOTHING.** Jas. i. 4.
How much of God's word shall fail?.....**NOTHING.** 2 Ki. x. 10.

THE believer should rejoice in the fact that his eternal salvation rests not on his poor shadowy vows and resolutions, but on the one offering of Jesus Christ. He has taken all our vows upon Himself, and gloriously discharged them forever. His resurrection life flows through His members, and produces in them results which legal vows and legal claims never could effect. He is our life, and he is our righteousness.—SELECTED.

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Every Monday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL INVITED.

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 Dec. 3, 1883.

MONDAY.....	Dec. 3....	12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING.	The Secretary.
		8.00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS, in Parlor "B." Conducted by the Secretary.	
		9.00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S PRAYER AND TESTIMONY MEETING.	
TUESDAY.....	"	4....12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER.	W. Marks.
WEDNESDAY..	"	5 .. 12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER.	Rev. H. Melville.
THURSDAY..	"	6 ...12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER.	T. S. Cole.
FRIDAY	"	7....12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER.	R. Sims.
		8.00 P.M.		BOYS' MEETING.	
SATURDAY....	"	8....12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER.	Asst. Sec.
		4.50 P.M.		TEACHER'S BIBLE CLASS.	Hon. S. H. Blake
		7.30 P.M.		INVITATION COMMITTEE MEETS FOR PRAYER.	
		8.00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S MEETING.	S. Caldecott.
SUNDAY	"	9... 3.00 P.M.		EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS.	H. B. Gordon
		" "		DEAF MUTE CLASS.	F. S. Brigden.
		" "		CHINESE CLASS.	W. M. Morse.
		8.30 P.M.		GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE.	R. Kilgour.
				Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15.	

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

RAILROAD AND OTHER BRANCH MEETINGS.

GOSPEL MEETINGS every Sunday at 3 p.m., 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. R. Roundhouse Reading Room, and every Wednesday at the same hour, in the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Workshops.