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"The Son of man
came not to be
ministered unto, but
to minister, and to
give His life a ran-
som for many."

Matthew xx. 28.

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ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

THE Adjourned annual meeting was held Tuesday last. Shortly after six o'clock a company of one hundred members sat down to tea in the large upper reading-room, over the parlor, where a

pleasant time was spent by all. After tea the party adjourned to the Parlor, where the regular business of the evening was commenced, the chair being taken by Mr. John Macdonald at a quarter to eight o'clock. He opened the meeting by a brief and interesting address, in which he reviewed the work of the year just brought to a close. The success which attended the work of the Association in every department was a matter for which the members might well be thankful. One of the most marked indications of public approval of the Association was the cordial support which was given to the building fund by gentlemen throughout the city. About \$30,000 had been subscribed to it, and there was still more to come. In concluding his remarks he exhorted the members of the Association to be true to their work, and not bring by any remissness of conduct discredit on the cause for which they were working.

Space will not permit even a brief notice of the excellent addresses delivered by Rev'ds. H. M. Parsons, Elmore Harris, John Burton and John Salmon.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing year, resulted as follows:—President, Hon. S. H. Blake. Hon. Vice-Presidents—Messrs. R. Baldwin, John Macdonald, Prof. Wilson, B. H. Dixon K. N. L. Vice-Presidents—Messrs. W. H. Howland, L. C. Peake, H. B. Gordon, Chancellor Boyd, John Earls, J. D. Nasmith, C. S. Gzowski Jr., J. J. Gartshore, S. Caldecott. Treasurer, R. Kilgour. Corresponding Secretary, J. O. Anderson. General Secretary, Alf. Sandham. Librarian, W. A. Douglas. Directors—J.

"Made nigh by the blood of Christ"—
Ephesians ii. 13.

"His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself."

Prov. v. 22.

O. Bennett, Chester Massey, John F. Taylor, John Harvie, John Adams, W. Garside, D. C. Forbes, George T. Ferguson, S. R. Briggs, H. O'Brien, J. J. Findlay, W. H. Lailey.

The chairmen of the various committees appointed were as follows:—Employment, D. C. Forbes; Devotional, H. B. Gordon; Lectures and Classes, L. C. Peake; Reception, J. J. Findlay; Visiting, R. Anderson; Railway, J. Earls; Boarding-house, J. J. Bolton; Boys, J. W. Walker; Invitation, A. R. Saunders; Membership, George T. Ferguson; Deaf Mutes, J. D. Nasmith; Bible and Tract, R. Baldwin.

The following were elected members of the Finance Committee:—John Macdonald, Chairman of Building; S. Caldecott, Chairman General Finance; S. H. Blake, R. Kilgour, C. S. Gzowski, Jr., J. O. Anderson. J. Earls.

MEMBER'S LECTURE COURSE.



Direct attention to the following course of lectures arranged for by the Committee. The Chairman, (Mr. Peake) has spared no effort in securing the best talent. The names on the list and the subjects chosen cannot fail to command attention. These lectures are free to members and friends.

Tuesday, Nov. 6.—F. S. SPENCE, ESQ.,—"Science of Temperance."

Tuesday, Dec. 18.—JOHN T. MOORE, ESQ.,—"From the Lakes to the Mountains."

Tuesday, Feb. 5.—REV. J. JOHNSTON. (of Jamaica, W. I. I.),—"Life in Jamaica."

Tuesday, Feb. 12.—REV. GEO. COCHRAN, D. D.,—"The Growth of the New Testament." (C. L. S. C. Lecture.)

Tuesday, Feb. 19.—REV. ALEX SUTHERLAND, D. D.,—"Leaders of Men."

Tuesday, Feb. 26.—HON. S. H. BLAKE—"Business Maxims of the Bible."

Tuesday, March 4.—J. L. HUGHES, ESQ.,—"Physical Manhood." (C. L. S. C. Lecture),

Tuesday, March 11.—REV. PROF. BURWASH (Victoria College, Cobourg)—"Bricks and the Bible."

Tuesday, March 18.—H. B. GORDON, ESQ.,—"Ancient Habitations."

Tuesday, March 25.—REV. G. M. MILLIGAN—"Is Modern Science Antiscriptural?"

Tuesday, April 1.—REV. H. JOHNSTON, B. D.—Subject to be announced.

Tuesday, April 8.—JOHN MACDONALD, ESQ.—"Lord Lawrence."

OUTLINES OF BIBLE STUDY

FROM THE

INTERNATIONAL LESSONS.

BY ALF. SANDHAM.

SAMSON and DELILAH.

ILLUSTRATIVE OF SIN.

Judges xvi.

1. The way of sin easily entered upon.

It did not require much ceremony or influence to secure an introduction to Delilah.

2. Pleasures of sin.

There was no doubt beauty of person and face which made Delilah and her company agreeable.

3. Power of sin.

Delilah could control Samson at her will.

4. Deceitfulness of sin.

She was not what she professed to be. Samson loved her; she never loved Samson.

5. Blinding nature of sin.

All her attempts to win his secret, and to ruin him, seem to have been unnoticed by Samson.

6. The immediate result of sin.

Suffering.—Eyes put out. Humiliation.—Grinding. Bondage.—In prison.

7. The END of sin. DEATH.

"The name of the wicked shall rot."

Proverbs x. 7.

THE LOSING GAME.

A WORD TO YOUNG MEN.

By Rev. James Wells, M. A., Glasgow.



UR woodcut is taken from a German picture, which is at once a masterpiece of art and of impressive teaching. It presents to the mind, through the eye, as much truth as is to be found in many a volume. Satan is playing a game with a young man for his soul. The arm of his chair is an open-mouthed lion, whose claws grasp a human skull. The chess-board is the lid of a stone coffin; this game is played in the chamber of death. The front of the coffin displays a weeping, winged woman, whose body is crushed with the loathsome tails of two hideous creatures, whose grinning teeth are buried in her distended wings. According to the pleasing fancy of the ancients, the human soul is represented by a gentle female with wings. The two repulsive monsters are Error and Vice, by which the soul, which should soar to Heaven on the wings of faith and love, is made the hopeless slave of earth. The woman, feeling her guilt and shame, buries her face in her hands—type of the sinful soul that at length struggles madly to break the devil's chains, which at first it welcomed with gaiety. . . . Of the pieces on Satan's side, the king, with a crooked feather in his cap, represents Satan. The queen, holding out the intoxicating cup, is pleasure. Then you have indolence with a sow's head, sleeping on an unhewn block; anger, a turkey-cock in a rage; pride, with a peacock's tail, spurs on his heels, an order on his breast, a full purse in one hand, and the other stretched out as if giving command; falsehood, with a cat's head, and a dagger behind back; avarice, lean gnawing his own hand, and holding a chest under his arm; and impudent unbelief, kicking against the cross. The eight pawns are doubts—small harpy-like creatures, with sharp teeth and bat's wings.

On the other side of this strange chess-board, the king represents man's soul. The queen, holding a cross, is religion. The officers are, hope with the anchor; truth with torch and shield; peace with the palm (already in Satan's hand); and in the corner near it, humility with head bent in prayer; innocence, a little child with hand held out for help; and love, two children kissing. The pawns are the heads of worshipping angels, and represent prayer.

THE GAME.

Satan is winning. He has already taken from the youth, innocence, peace, love, humility, and five angels' heads; he has robbed him of all these four virtues, and nearly destroyed his faith in prayer. The youth has mastered only one doubt, and one vice, anger. Satan is pressing forward all his force,—pleasure, unbelief, evil doubts, &c.—against religion, which stands protecting the soul. For there is hope of a man, so long as this is not clean lost.

What a deep designing eye Satan has! His very hairs stand stiffly out with determination. He glories in the ruin he hopes soon to complete.

But how sad and careworn is the youth's face! Sin is the hardest work he ever tried, and he now fears that all may be lost. But when he began, nobody was more light-hearted than he. All is explained by one word—*cheated*. By lying promises, Satan drew him into sin's hazardous game, and he is winning it by playing falsely. But Heaven, as well as hell, strives with man for the price of his precious soul. The angel looks on sadly: and will, we may hope, by awakening his conscience, rescue the youth from destruction.

YOUNG MAN!—Is this a picture of your life thus far? If so, be warned. You are playing a losing game. Stop ere it be too late. Stop *at once*. Now is the accepted time; Behold, *now* is the day of salvation.

GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE,

Every Sunday Evening,

A.T. 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 October 15, 1883.

MONDAY..	..	Oct. 15....	12.00 M.	PRaise & THANKSGIVING. The Secretary.
			7.30 P.M.	MEETING FOR ENQUIRERS in Parlour
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			7.30 P.M.	INVITATION COMMITTEE MEETS FOR PRAYER.
			8.00 P.M.	YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS, in Parlor
				"B." Conducted by the Secretary.
TUESDAY..	"	16 ..	12.00 M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. F. Aston.
WEDNESDAY.	"	17 ..	12.00 M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Rev. J. Salmon.
THURSDAY..	"	18 ..	12.00 M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. R. Merryfield.
			8.00 P.M.	WORKERS' MEETING for mutual edifica- tion and prayer.
			9.00 P.M.	C. L. S. C. MEETING.
FRIDAY	"	19....	12.00 M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. W. Marks.
			8.00 P.M.	BOYS' MEETING.
SATURDAY....	"	20....	12.00 M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Asst. Sec.
			7.30 P.M.	INVITATION COMMITTEE MEETS FOR PRAYER.
			8.00 P.M.	YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. C.S.Gzowski, Jr.
SUNDAY	"	21....	3.00 P.M.	EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS. H. B. Gordon
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			8.30 P.M.	CHINESE CLASS.
				GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. S. R. Briggs.
				Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15.

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

RAILROAD AND OTHER BRANCH MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, Oct. 21, 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. R. Roundhouse
Reading Room, and every Wednesday at the same hour, in
the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Workshops.

COTTAGE MEETING.

EVERY FRIDAY,

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232 Dundas Street.