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GOD IS  
FAITHFUL THAT  
PROMISED.

Heb. x. 23.

## STRANGERS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

That the Rooms of the

**TORONTO YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN  
ASSOCIATION,**

ARE IN ITS BUILDING,

**SHAFTESBURY HALL**

Corner Queen and James Sts.,

**ONE BLOCK WEST OF YONGE STREET.**

Rooms open daily from 8 a.m. till 10 p.m.

**You will be cordially welcomed.**

## BULLETIN FUND.

Workers..... \$2 30

## MR. BLAKE'S BIBLE CLASS.



OUR respected President, Mr. Blake, will resume his Bible Class for Teachers on Saturday, Oct. 4th. From the many enquiries made at our Rooms, we predict an attendance equal to that of former years. One thing is certain, no teacher can afford to miss such an opportunity for securing a practical knowledge of the S. S. Lesson.

## FAITHFUL.



OUR Letter evidence could be given as to the faithfulness of our workers, than was given in the last monthly report of our Boarding House Committee. Among the District Reports fyled was one testifying that in response to invitations given, *every young man* out of one boarding house in that district had been led to attend the Young Men's Meeting, and the Sunday evening Gospel service, while others were attending the Bible Class. Faithful work must be fruitful work.


**My soul: forget not all His benefits.**

Psalm ciii. 2.

## I will mention the loving-kindness of the Lord.

Isaiah lxiii. 7.

### THE EXHIBITION.

HE work at the Exhibition has been very successful this year. We cannot better describe the work than by giving the following extracts from the daily report of our Assistant Secretary, Mr Saunders:—

“Everything had just been put in order on Wednesday (10th inst.) afternoon, when a heavy storm of wind and rain came on and levelled our tent with the ground. Fortunately, however, no one was inside, and no damage was done.

On Thursday, at noon, we commenced our meeting, Rev. J. Salmon, Mrs. Cornell and myself being the only ones inside the tent; but after commencing singing, they soon began to come in, and before we closed at 1 p.m. there were 13 present.

Next day, Friday, we opened our noon meeting again, about 20 being present. Another meeting was held at 4.30 p.m., the Lord still increasing the number, about 50 being present at this meeting.

Saturday.—This was the children's day. Every part of the grounds alive with children of all ages. Held our noon meeting, the tent being filled principally with children. At 2 p.m. another meeting was opened, the tent again filled. The Jubilee singers sang several pieces, and at 4 p.m. we held another meeting, Dr. Dewart and Mr. W. Gooderham addressing the meeting.


On Sunday morning I visited the men in all the sheds, and distributed tracts and *Mission Unions*, &c. at 3 p.m. I opened the meeting, about 80 being present. Mrs. Cornell presided at the organ, and led the singing. Mr. Cornell played his cornet, and several members of Mrs. Cornell's choir helped the singing. Four of our young men assisted in the meeting.

Monday, 15th.—Largest day yet. Over 40,000 people on the grounds. Our noon meeting was attended by about

100, three testimonies being given. At 3 p.m. we held another meeting, 120 present, six testifying. At 6 p.m. we again opened out. 130 present, five testimonies being given. Mr. Salmon and Mrs. Cornell then left; and several of our young men being with me, I opened another meeting at 8 p.m. Sixty were present, nearly all men. This closed the best day we have had, four meetings being held and an attendance of 410. We closed with “Praise God,” &c.: and we have good reason to praise God, for I believe He is blessing our work here beyond measure. Praise ye the Lord.

Tuesday, 16th.—Our noon meeting as usual. 110 present, five testimonies were given. At 2.30 p.m. another meeting was held. About 110 present, and four testimonies given. At 4 p.m. we again opened a meeting. About 120 present, six testimonies. At 6 p.m. our fourth meeting was held. The tent was crowded, and a number of testimonies given. Several testified at the meetings to-day that this was the sweetest spot they had found on the Exhibition grounds. We believe that God is with us; and if so, who can be against us.”

### BE NOT WEARY.

UR Workers might receive encouragement from the following little incident:—Brother Tweedale, of Guelph, has told me of a young man who some time ago fell off the cars and had his arm broken. He is now lying in Guelph Hospital. On Brother Tweedale's visiting him, he found that he was leaning on Jesus, and that he was brought to a knowledge of Jesus through the meetings at the Volunteer Camp in Toronto in June last. Praise God for this testimony to the work done there in the Master's name.

Whoso putteth his trust in the Lord shall be safe—Prov xxix. 25.

I will remember the works of the Lord.

Psalms lxxvii. 11.

Remember me, O my God, for good.

Nehemiah xiii. 31.

## ANOTHER CONVENTION.

THE Provincial Executive Committee has issued a circular announcing a Provincial Convention for the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, to be held at Peterborough, Ont., Oct. 23rd to 26th. The Committee has wisely allowed three years to pass since last Provincial Convention, and substituted for such a general gathering,—a number of local conferences,—which, no doubt, have done something toward strengthening weak points. The Committee, in its circular, says, "There has been growth, although slow, we believe it is permanent, and now that the Associations already existing are getting into good shape, we want to arrange for extending the work."

The usual topics will be presented. Of course, among these the ever-present, and, to some persons, all-important one, "To what extent have secular agencies been helpful in Association work." If the word "secular" were defined, we might better understand the scope of the paper or discussion. A lecture on science is secular, and a bowling alley or a pop-corn sociable is secular. We have learned of Associations where the secular was helpful in closing it up.

We trust that the friends who may be permitted to enjoy the hospitality of the Peterboro' citizens, and to take part in the Convention, may be wisely directed, and that the outcome may be to place all existing Associations in a good shape, and to ensure a good foundation for all associations to be organized.

All the railways have agreed to issue tickets at a fare-and-a-third. Tickets good from 21st to 28th October inclusive.

It is announced that Messrs. R. C. Morse and L. D. Wishard, of the International Committee, will be present. If no other inducement were offered, we think the prospect of meeting two such workers as the brethren named, will lead many to attend the Convention.

## "DRINK AND LIVE."



A VESSEL crossing the Atlantic met with heavy storms, and lost much of her fittings. In fact she was so driven about, that all record as to her course was lost. The voyage had lengthened out far beyond the allotted time, and now the water was all spent, and those on board were ready to perish. Sighting another ship, they signalled, "Water! we are dying for want of water!" Imagine the surprise and delight of the almost despairing crew when this answer came back, "Dip it up; you are in a fresh water river. You are now in the mouth of the river Amazon."

Oh, dear anxious soul! down with the bucket of faith. The water of life is nigh thee, all round, fresh and free! Dip it up. There is no hindrance; Jesus is here, with pardon, peace, heaven, all ready; though you may have thought that it was only the salt sea that compassed you about! Now, reach forth to the Saviour, and take abundantly at His liberal hand. No money is wanted, no merit, no preparation of

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.

Psalms cxii. 6.

thine. Enough that thou art in need. Jesus is for such as thee. God says, "Ho every one that thirsteth;" "Hearken, I bring near My righteousness, and My salvation shall not tarry."

### WHAT IS A LETTER?

"What is a letter"? let affection tell:  
*A tongue* that speaks for those that absent dwell;  
*A silent language* uttered to the eye,  
 Which envious distance would in vain deny;  
*A link* that binds when circumstances part;  
*A nerve of feeling* stretched from heart to heart,  
 Framed to convey, like an electric chain,  
 The mystic flash—the lightning of the brain,  
 And thrill at once, through its remotest link,  
 The throb of passion, by a *drop of ink*?

### THE CHARACTER OF JESUS.

**J**ESUS was a character so resplendent, pleasing, and so amiable, as that of Jesus Christ. There is a peculiar interest in it, between an awful greatness, dignity and grandeur, and the most conciliatory loveliness, tenderness and softness. Such a character is fairer than the morning star. Each separate virtue is made stronger by opposition, and the union of so many virtues forms a brightness which fitly represents the glory of that God who dwelleth in light inaccessible.  
 —Newton.

## YOUNG MEN'S MEETING

Every Saturday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

COME

## BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

Bible Class at 3 p.m., and Gospel and Song Service at 8.30, followed by an enquiry meeting at 9.15. All invited.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22.

12 noon.—Thanksgiving and Praise Meeting. The Secretary.

8 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS. Conducted by the Secretary.

9 p.m.—Young Men's Prayer and Testimony Meeting.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Human and Divine Methods of Deliverance Contrasted. Dan. vi. 14; Acts xii. 1-17. J. J. Gartshore.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Where shall I Hide? Rev. vi. 12-17; Isaiah xxxii. 2. S. R. Briggs.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25.

12 to 12.45 noon.—If You WILL be Rich, Count the Cost. Sorrows, 1 Tim. vi. 9, 10; The Word Choked, Matt. xiii. 23; God Denied, Prov. xxx. 8, 9. W. Marks.  
 8.00 p.m.—WORKERS' TRAINING CLASS. The Secretary.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Jealous Because Another is Praised. 1 Sam xviii. 1-13; Rom. xii. 10. R. Merryfield.  
 7.30 p.m.—BOY'S MEETING.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Sin, Repentance, Restoration. Luke xxii. 54-62; John xxi. 15-17. Assistant Secretary.  
 7.15 p.m.—Invitation Committee Meets for Prayer.  
 8.00 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S MEETING.

H. F. Thomas.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

3.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Bible Class. H. B. Gordon.  
 Deaf Mute Class. F. S. Bridgen.

" Chinese Class. W. M. Morse.

" Italian's Class.

8.30 p.m.—Gospel and Song Service. Geo. T. Ferguson. Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15.

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Sec'y.

### Railway Men's Meetings.

W. C. JEX, Railway Secretary.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23.

3 p.m.—Union Station. W. Marks and A. R. Saunders.

3 p.m.—Y. M. C. A. Tent, York.

## YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Every Monday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL INVITED.