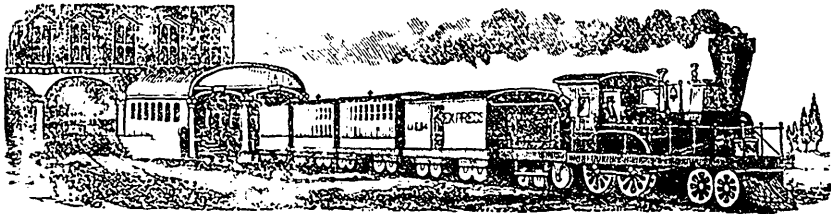


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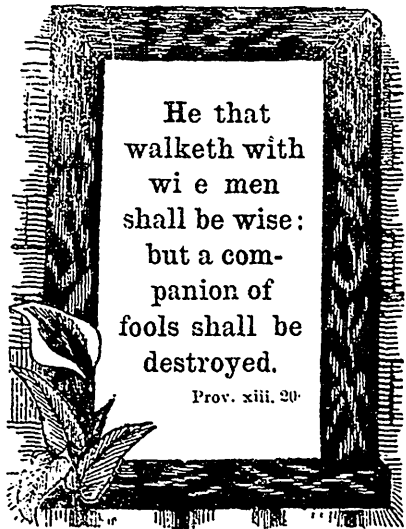
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He that
walketh with
wise men
shall be wise:
but a com-
panion of
fools shall be
destroyed.

Prov. xiii. 20

RAILROAD MEMBERSHIP

ALL Railroad men who subscribe \$2 or upwards, per year, to the R. R. Branch may become members of the general Y. M. C. A., upon the following conditions. All men of good moral character may become associate members, and all members of evangelical churches may

become active members. Both classes of membership are entitled to every privilege the association affords, but the active members only can vote, or hold office. This season there will be a good course of lectures which will be free to members, also Classes in Phonography, Drawing, Book-keeping, and possibly Music, with others for which arrangements are being made. Every week also during the winter there will be a parlor entertainment to which the members may bring a friend.

The financial year commences this month, therefore this is the time to join.

RESULTS.

ONE of the visitors to the parlor conference held last March at the residence of Sir William P. Howland, was Mr. Jas. Holden, Manager of the W. & P. P. & L. Ry. who became so deeply impressed with the importance and feasibility of the Railway Christian Work, that upon his return he called a meeting of the Railway men in his home, when he, with Mr. J. J. Gartshore and the writer, had the privilege of addressing them, on the subject.

The result was the formation of a R. R. Branch of Y. M. C. A., which has held

gospel meetings in the waiting room of the Railway Depot every Lord's day since, with good results.

Mr. W. P. Crombie visited the town last week, when the general Y. M. C. A. which had *died out*, was revived, and last week we had the opportunity of addressing the united associations in the waiting room, which was crowded. Altogether the work is full of promise.

GOOD.



HE boys have given Fireman Robinson a new title. He is known as "Preacher Robinson" and we sincerely hope that he may always deserve it, for it proves that he has learned that the Lord Jesus commands and expects his followers to be his witnesses.

ANOTHER WARNING.



HAT might have proved a fatal accident occurred at Grafton about 70 miles east of Toronto, on Monday Sept. 26th, when Brakeman George Chisholm, on account of the link being short, failed in making the coupling, and supposing that things were all right gave the signal to go ahead. When the train made a start he was about to step from the one car to another but fell to the track injuring his leg and back. Every one of these mishaps have voices which we would do well to heed.

TO RAILWAY MEN.

REMEMBER

THE

COTTAGE MEETINGS

HELD IN THE

Homes of Your Fellow Workmen.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.

WHAT
IS YOUR
LIFE ?



HOMAS Kelham, who at the time of our last issue seemed likely to be soon all right again, had a relapse which resulted in his death on the morning of 2nd of September. Appearances are not to be relied upon, for man's life "*is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.*" Jas. 4: 14.

It appears as though God was determined to save him from his sins, for he had golly parents, had always been under Gospel influence, but to it he would never yield until in love the Lord laid on him His afflicting hand in the accident at Grafton, and even then, for many months he resisted the Spirit, until the stroke was repeated, and then one day when we visited him he said "I do not want those books and papers." "What do you want? Is there anything we can do for you?" "I want—I must have my sins forgiven, for this heavy affliction, this severe stroke makes me realize that this state of affairs is not for ever." He was pointed to "The Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world" but he did not then realize that his sins were gone, but remained under the curse of the law until we visited him again, when without ceremony he said, "Do tell me how you got your sins forgiven, and how I may get mine forgiven also." We did so, and again pointed him to the Lord Jesus. "In whom we have redemption through His blood, THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS according

to the riches of His grace." Eph. 1: 7.

When we visited him again he said, "My sins are *all* forgiven, for I heard the voice of Jesus saying, 'be of good cheer, thy sins be forgiven *thee*,' and 'The blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth from *all* sin.'" 1 John 1, 7.

There could be no mistake about it. The load was gone, and he expressed a desire to rise from his bed, and walk and leap and praise God.

Once more we saw him, when he said, "I know now why my foot did not heal at first." "Why?" "Because God was *determined* that I should have my sins forgiven;" then he added, "Now, my earnest desire is to know Jesus, and God's written word, and go tell the boys of God's love, and the joy of sins forgiven."

Fellow railroad men, Kelham never had his desire granted, but "He being dead yet speaketh." It is a call and a warning to you. Have you godly parents? Have you not heard and slighted the Gospel call? Have you not had some hair-breadth escapes? Have you not realized that God, who has everything in His power and control, means for you to come before it is too late? God is waiting to save you; the door is open. Then LISTEN to His voice and be saved before you are maimed by some accident, or laid low on a bed of death.

PERSONAL.

MR. James Spearman, (Engineer) who was injured in the Scarborough' collision by jumping for his life, is on a fair way to recovery. His fireman, Mr. Wm. Muirhead, is getting on remarkably well. Neither had any bones broken.

Charles Monkhouse will soon be well.

FIREMAN Smith who had his foot run over on the Esplanade has lost the great toe, but we are pleased to report he is doing well, and will soon be on duty again.

ALL RAILWAY MEN

Are invited to attend

The Sabbath Afternoon Meetings

At Three o'clock, in the

GENERAL WAITING ROOM

UNION STATION,

And at the NIPISSING STATION.



R. James Holden, Managing director of the W. P. P. and L. Railroad is chairman of the R. R. Y. M. C. A. at Whitby. He is now absent with his wife on a health and pleasure trip to Manitoba. We sincerely hope they will obtain all they seek, and safely return to family and friends.

SUNDAY GOSPEL MEETINGS.



IN future the Meetings on the Lord's day will be conducted by a Railroad Man regularly, and by a City Clergyman or prominent layman. We hope all the R. R. Men will do their best to be present with their families and friends.



OTTAGE meetings will be held during this month as follows: at 8 P. M. on Monday evenings at Engineer Clarke's, 61 Sackville St. Thursday, at Conductor McClure's, 30 Mercer St. Friday evening at Engineer Spearman's, 136 Portland St. Let all come that can. If any family desires to have meetings held in their homes, notify us and we will soon be on hand.

A HOUSE OF MOURNING.



OUR brother Charles Clarke, engineer on T. & N. Ry., one of the oldest friends of the work, has lost, by death, a little boy.

Both he and his Christian wife have our warmest sympathy in their bereavement.

GRATIFYING.



LETTER from D. L. Mulford, R. R. Sec'y, Y. M. C. A., of Chicago, contains some most interesting facts concerning the progress of God's cause among the R. R. men of that city. Last October he entered

the field, when the average daily attendance at the R. R. reading room was but 15, now it is 200. Also, they have an attendance at the combined privileges afforded, of 6,000 per month more than the corresponding month of last year. The only accommodation the men could obtain (for board, &c.,) previous to his coming was the saloons and liquor dens,—now he has several coffee houses, to which scores of men have flocked, and escaped the blighting influences of liquor, and its pernicious surroundings. For lack of accommodation, dozens have been turned away. Many have been reformed from drunkenness, and saved by the Lord Jesus.



PROGRAMME FOR OCT'R.



COTTAGE MEETINGS.

Every Monday, at 8 p.m. 61 Sackville Street.
 " Thursday, " 30 Mercer "
 " Friday, " 136 Portland "
 Noon Meeting every Wednesday from 12.30 to 1 p.m., at Toronto, Grey & Bruce Workshops.

SUNDAY COSPEL AND SONG SERVICE.

3 P.M.

UNION DEPOT.

SUNDAY, Oct. 2.....Jos. Greene (N. & N. W. R'y.) ..Rev. H. Melville.
 " " 9.....Dan. Doran (C. V. R'y.)S. Caldecott.
 " " 16.....John Harvie (late of N. R'y.)....John Macgregor.
 " " 23.....Wm. Gooderham, W. Blight.
 (Gen. Manager T. & N. R.)
 " " 30.....A. Munro (G. W. R'y.)Rev. A. Bilkey.

NIPISSING STATION.

SUNDAY, Oct. 2.....Bible Reading.....R. R. Secretary.
 " " 9.....A. Munro (G. W. R.).....W. Garside.
 " " 16.....W. E. Burford (R. R. Sec.)..J. T. Dorland.
 " " 23... ..J. Doran (C. V. R.)W. Anderson.
 " " 30.....J. Greene (N. & N.W.R.)...J. L. Powell.

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