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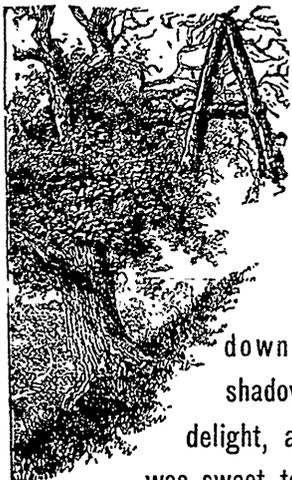
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As the apple tree among the trees of the wood so is my beloved among the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.

S. of S. ii. 3.

NOON MEETING.

We are pleased to report a decided improvement in the attendance at this meeting. There has been an average of 25 during the past week. The room will accommodate a much larger number, so our friends need not hesitate to come.

BULLETIN FUND.

Workers.....	80c.
J. L.....	50c.

MEMBERS' SOCIAL.

Next Thursday evening will be held our usual Monthly Social. A new feature of this meeting will be the carrying out of the late Secretary's suggestion, that each Quarter the Board Meeting should be held on the same afternoon, and the Directors remain to tea with the Workers. It is felt that the bond of union between the Officers, Directors and the Workers will be strengthened by such gatherings.

LECTURE COURSE.

Tuesday Evening, Feb. 24, 1885,
AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

MR. THOS. KIRKLAND, M.A.,

(Principal of the Normal School.)

WILL DELIVER A LECTURE UPON

"THE CHEMISTRY OF WATER,"

ILLUSTRATED BY EXPERIMENTS.

A full attendance of members is requested.

The Lord is rich unto all that call upon Him.
Romans x. 12.

Teach me good judgment and knowledge.

Psalm. cxix. 66.

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Every MONDAY Evening,
AT 8 O'CLOCK,

FRUIT

FEW days ago a lady called at the rooms and left a small sum of money with the Assistant Secretary. As she did so she said, "The Young Men come regularly to our boarding house and leave papers and tracts. These papers are doing good, and I know they must cost something, so I want to contribute a little."

ANNUAL REPORT.

FOR the past four years we have not printed a Report in full, contenting ourselves with acquainting our friends as to the work through a special number of the BULLETIN. In view of the fact that our Constitution and By-Laws have been revised and materially altered, it has been decided to publish, with them, a report of the past year's work. This pamphlet will be ready in about one week, and copies may then be secured at the Rooms.

BIBLE CLASS

FOR S. S. TEACHERS,

Conducted by Mr. S. H. Blake,

EVERY SATURDAY,

AT 4.30 P.M.

Subject—INTERNATIONAL LESSON.

TIP UP THEIR CRADLE.

IN the work entitled "Salvation Soldiers" written by General Booth, of the Salvation Army, he devotes a chapter to the discussion of the question "How to command." Section No. 6 is headed, "Care for your Soldiers," and under this he says, "I don't mean that you shall cozen, comfort and encourage the do nothing people who come with their mouths open three times every Sabbath, and now and then besides, to be fed in idleness. No! TIP UP THEIR CRADLE.—Make them feel that true godliness is practical benevolence, keep at them till they do see it. They will rub their eyes, and wake up, depend upon it, and though some may go off to other places where they will not be continually faced with their neglected responsibility, others will go to work with a will." These remarks are applicable to other organizations outside of the Army. What a multitude of Christians are to be found still in the cradle and feeding on milk, when they ought to be on their feet at work, and feeding on strong meat. "TIP UP THE CRADLE" we echo with a hearty Amen.

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.

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

Psalm xxxiii. 22.

Blessed is the man whom Thou choosest.
Psalm lxxv. 4.

TOO BUSY TO WORK FOR CHRIST.



Remember a young man from Connecticut who enlisted in the army in the early part of the war. He was a watchmaker by trade, and of a thrifty turn of mind. He packed a neat but

ample kit of tools in his knapsack, proposing at odd times to turn an honest penny by mending such watches as might come to him for repairs from his regiment. He soon found plenty of business. In a little while the watches of his comrades came in for repairs, to be cleaned and regulated. His tent soon presented the appearance of a thrifty and busy watchmaker's shop. Things went on in this way for some time, the officers excusing him first from daily guard duty, because he was useful in the especial line of private service which was engaging him. One day a larger number of men was wanted for duty, and a double detail was ordered, and he was drawn for duty. When the sergeant called at his tent and ordered him to duty, he looked up with surprise and some show of indignation, and said:

"It is impossible for me to go on duty to-day. I have so many watches to repair."

Now, the truth was, that in attending to his own private business, and in his eagerness to turn as many honest pennies as possible, he had entirely overlooked the fact that he was a soldier, and had no right to private business,

certainly no right to refuse duty when called upon because he had watch repairing on hand.

So it is with many of the soldiers of the cross. They have enlisted in the army of the Lord, and have quickly found their way into camp among the army of occupation.

Being of a thrifty turn of mind, they have turned their attention to their own business. At first they have been excused from duty on the score of pressing private business. This has presently become a settled and fixed habit with them; so much so that, in time of special need, when workers are called for, they say:

"I must be excused. I have 'watches to mend.'"

In a word, they have forgotten that they belong to the Lord for service. They are ready to receive their "rations" regularly on Sundays, and confidently look for the final reward of the righteous; but, in the meantime, they are wholly given up to private business, and solemnly declare that it is not a lack of interest in the prosperity of the Church or in the salvation of souls; but really they have no time to attend to such matters.—*Independent.*

YOUNG MEN, listen to what Joseph Cook, of Boston, says as to what is euphemistically called "fast life":—"If I call the roll of the dissipated men I knew in my quadrennial, I find seven out of ten of them approaching early graves. I do not know one man who had the reputation of a dissipated person in my college course that now has a position of any honour in a profession. I do not know one who had the promise of such a position who in his college life was among the wild persons in my class."

GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE

Every Sunday Evening, at 8 o'clock.

ALL WELCOME.

The Lord knoweth them that are His.

2 Tim. ii. 9.

EVANGELISTIC
BIBLE CLASS

Every SUNDAY, at 3 p.m.

Conducted by MR. H. B. GORDON,

Chairman of Devotional Committee.

ALL INVITED.

GREAT MEN.

WHERE and there rises above the common level one who represents to the world what a human being can be and do by a faithful exertion of natural gifts, a diligent use of the discipline of circumstances, and a faithful improvement of the grace of God. . . . In no miraculous way they attain their superiority; by no strange and mysterious path they go upward—but in a way open to all, by steps which we all may take. What they do, others might do as well as they. The instruments they use are within the grasp of every one. They obey laws which we also know, and which we also might keep. They simply perform what most of us purpose. They learn the lessons which are set to all. By no shorter path, by no royal road, they ascend the heavenly mount, but step by step, in patient progress, leave the world behind. They are simply true on duty, loyal to conscience, obedient to the will of God,—*Chandler Robbins.*

YOUNG MEN'S MEETING

Every Saturday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

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BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

Bible Class at 3 p.m., and Gospel and Song Service at 8, followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9. All invited.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23.

12 noon.—Praise and Thanksgiving. R. Merryfield.

8 p.m.—**YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS.**

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24.

12 to 12.45 noon.—What Memory shall I Leave behind me? Prov. x. 7; Ps. cxii; Eccl. viii. 10. J. J. Gartshore.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25.

12 to 12.45 noon.—The Attractiveness of the Cross. Gen. xlix. 10; John xii. 32-36. Rev. J. Salmon.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26.

12 to 12.45 noon.—“Sir, we would see Jesus.” John xii. 20-35; Heb. ii. 8, 9. Rev. A. F. McGregor.

6.30—**WORKERS' SOCIAL MEETING.**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

12 to 12.45 noon.—The Hill Difficulty. Ps lxxiii. 1-24. W. Marks.

7.30 p.m.—**BOYS' MEETING.**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Jesus Near, but Unrecognized. John i. 26, 27; Luke xxiv. 13-35. Assistant Secretary.

7.00 p.m.—**MALE CHOIR PRACTICE,**

7.15 p.m.—Invitation Committee Meets for Prayer.

8 p.m.—**YOUNG MEN'S MEETING.** P. A. Hertz.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

3.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Bible Class H. B. Gordon.

“ Deaf Mute Class. F. S. Bridgen.

“ Chinese Class. W. M. Morse.

“ Italian Class

8.00 p.m.—Gospel and Song Service D. C. Forbes. Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.00.

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

Railway Men's Meeting.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1.

3 p.m.—Union Station. Jos. Greene and P. A. Hertz.