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If any man sin,
we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, the righteous.

1 John ii. 1.

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OUR WORK.

THE special services have so fully occupied our workers, that outside of our Monday evening Bible Class, all other gatherings have been discontinued during the past two weeks.

EVANGELISTIC.

DURING the past two weeks the Lord has been pleased to bless the meetings held by Mr. Soltau. Many persons, some being young men, have found peace through believing, and Christians have been built up at the Bible Readings held each afternoon. Mr. Soltau leaves on Monday for Orangeville, from which place a pressing invitation has been sent. We trust that wherever he may be led he may be owned to the salvation of souls.

SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE.

THE Annual Conference of the General Secretaries' Association of the United States and British Provinces, meets in Montreal in June next. There is at least one good result attained by these gatherings. They afford an opportunity to the Workers in different fields for becoming better acquainted by personal contact and by comparing notes to cheer and encourage each other. It is expected that about 200 will be present, and our experience of Montreal warrants us in assuring the delegates a cordial welcome.

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.—1 Timothy i. 15.

The Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.
Luke xix. 10.

EVANGELISTIC
BIBLE CLASS

HELD

EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

AT 3 O'CLOCK.

All Welcome.

"OUT OF THE BIBLE."

THE STORY is told of a minister who taught an old man to read. He proved a proficient scholar. After the lessons had finished, the minister was not able to call at the cottage for some time, and when he did he only found the wife at home.

"How's John?" said he.

"He's canny, sir," said the wife.

"How does he get on with his reading?"

"Nicely, sir."

"Ah! I suppose he will read his Bible very comfortably now."

"Bible, sir! Bless you! He was out of the Bible and into the newspaper long ago."

There are many other persons who, like this old man, have long been out of the Bible and into the newspaper. They have forsaken the fountain of Living Waters, and have gone about among muddy pools and stagnant morasses to seek something which might slake their thirst. Let Christians see to it that they do not get "out of the Bible and into the newspaper." Let God's Word be the daily sustenance of their souls, and we shall hear little complaint of lack of faith,—for men nourished by the Word of the Lord will be "strong in faith, giving glory to God."

ARE YOU SURE?

"ARE you sure the blood is on the door?" an old legend tells us, was asked by a Hebrew child on the awful night of the passover. She could not rest until he went and found, indeed, that it had been neglected; the blood had been shed, but had not been sprinkled. For us all it has been shed, but has it also touched our hearts with its cleansing power? *Are you sure the blood is on the door?"*

THERE is much sound philosophy in the following remark of the New York *Methodist*:—Watch the flight of a straw: theology leads in the list of books published in England last year. There were 945 of these theological volumes. Of course education came next; there were 680 educational volumes. And yet there are about 1,000 people in England (calling themselves Agnostics, Comptists, and Atheists) who make more noise than the 30,000,000 of people who read the old theology. And every now and then somebody on this side of the water rises to explain to people who recently bought 2,000,000 copies of the Revised New Testament that "nobody believes in *that* any more, you know!" The trouble with this little minority that imagines itself the whole world is not so much skepticism as a disorder known in the rural districts as "the big-head."

YOUNG MEN'S
BIBLE CLASS

Every Monday Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL INVITED.

Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.—Matthew xi. 28

The blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin.
1 John i. 7.

THE FATAL GLASS.

There's danger in the glass. Beware lest it enslaves. They who have drained it find, alas! Too often early graves. It sparkles to allure. With its rich, ruby light; There is no antidote or cure. Only its course to fight. It changes men to brutes; Makes women bow their heads; Fills homes with anguish, want, disputes. And takes from children bread. Then dash the glass away,
And from the serpent flee
Drink pure cold water
day
by
day,
And walk
God's footstool free!

—Selected.

GOLD DUST.

FELLOWSHIP with God produces, strengthens, and increases hatred to sin.
The glories of the world always lose their charms when Jesus is spiritually enjoyed.

There is more in one of God's sentences than you have discovered yet.

Never expect spiritual wealth while you are indulging spiritual sloth.

Study to be quiet, except when duty calls upon you to speak.

Always have a word with God before you enter into conversation with men.

The greater your privileges, the greater your debt.

"GOING THE WRONG WAY."

YOU are going the wrong way," said the guard of a train on the railroad to a passenger on receiving his ticket. That assertion fell very unpleasantly upon the ear of him who had made the mistake. Still it was not a very serious one. It could be corrected. He was advised to get out at the first stopping place, and to take the opposite train on its arrival.

GOING THE WRONG WAY. In another sense this is affectingly true of thousands. It is true of the child who goes not in the way of its parent's commands. It is true of the man who with hot haste is in pursuit of the riches, or honours, or pleasures of earth. It is true of every one whose course has not been changed, who is not running the Christian race. Says the Saviour, "Enter ye in at the straight gate, for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat; because strait is the gate and narrow is the way which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

Oh, how many are now hurrying on toward eternal death, while they vainly are hoping to reach the end of their course, the New Jerusalem above! **THEY ARE GOING THE WRONG WAY.** The language of God to them is, "Turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways, for why will ye die?" **TURN TO-DAY.** Soon it will be **TOO LATE.**

MISERY BY THE GALLON.—
At a temperance meeting an old colored man said, "When I see a man going home wid a gallon o' whiskey and half a pound of meat, dat's temperance lecture 'nuff fo' me. I knows dat eberyting in his house is on de same scale—a gallon ob misery to every half pound of comfort."
—Selected.

By Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Mosc.3.—Acts xiii. 39.

WHOSOEVER AND WHAT-SOEVER.

UHERE are two precious words often found in the mouth of Christ. "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." (Rev. xxii. 17) "Whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that will I do." (John xiv. 13). "Whosoever" is on the *outside* of the gate, and lets in all who choose. "Whosoever" is on the *inside*, and gives those who enter the free range of all the region and treasury of grace. "Whosoever" makes salvation *free*! "Whatsoever" makes it *full*!

QUALITY NOT QUANTITY.

SOMEWHERE, I cannot now tell where, I have heard of a case like this: A deacon was speaking to a visitor about his pastor's want of success. No doubt, he had often reminded his pastor of the same with much condolence. "Well," said the visitor, "what is the proof?" "Proof? why, in one year only one person joined the Church!" "Sir, who was that one?" "I don't know." "You must know—what was his name?" He looks into the Church book, and finds that the name of the man who was the only one added is "Robert Moffatt." "Then," said the other, "Sir, when you added that man to your Church you added generation upon generation, and yet you have been making your pastor's life bitter by the dismal toll of that statistical complaint—'Only one.'" Do you know what they once rang the bells of heaven for? It was over the conversion of *one* sinner, *only one*, and it was there reckoned to be such a great success that it made joy in the presence of the angels.—*Dr. Stanford.*

GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE,

Every Sunday Evening,

AT 8.30

GOOD SINGING. SHORT GOSPEL ADDRESSES.

COME.

BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK.

MONDAY, MAY 12.

12 noon.—Thanksgiving and Praise Meeting. The Secretary.
8 p.m.—Young Men's Bible Class, in Parlor "B." Conducted by the Secretary.
9 p.m.—Young Men's Prayer and Testimony Meeting.

TUESDAY, MAY 13.

12 to 12.45 noon.—A Picture of the World To-day. 2 Tim. iii. 1-5; 1 Cor. i. 21-24. Rev. H. Johnston, B.D.

WEDNESDAY MAY 14.

12 to 12.45 noon.—A Young Man Starting in Life—His Good Resolution. Gen. xxviii. 10-22; 1 Cor. xvi. 2; 2 Cor. viii. 1-12. J. J. Gartshore.

THURSDAY, MAY 15.

12 to 12.45 noon.—A Gift—not a Purchase. 1 John v. 11-13; Titus iii. 5-7. Rev. S. J. Hunter.
8 00 p.m.—WORKERS' MEETING FOR PRAYER

FRIDAY MAY 16.

12 to 12.45 noon.—"Come Out of the Man, Thou Unclean Spirit." Mark v. 1-15. R. Sims.
8 p.m.—BOY'S LECTURE. G. H. O'Brien, Esq.
"A Trip to the Rocky Mountains."

SATURDAY, May 17.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Waiting on God. Ps. lxxii. 1-5; xxvii. 1-14. Rev. J. H. Barkwell, B.A.
4 30 p.m.—Teacher's Bible Class. Hon. S. H. Blake
7.15 p.m.—Invitation Committee Meets for Prayer.
8.00 p.m.—Young Men's Meeting. Mr. G. B. Gordon.

SUNDAY, MAY 18.

3.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Bible Class. H. B. Gordon.
"Deaf Mute Class. F. S. Bridgen.
"Chinese Class. W. M. Morse.
"Italian Class.
8 30 p.m.—Gospel and Song Service. S. R. Briggs.
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, MAY 11.

8 p.m.—Union Station. John MacGregor and P. Hertz.

TUESDAY, MAY 13.

12 30 to 12.55 noon.—In G. T. R Roundhouse Reading Room. Rev. H. M. Parsons.

TEACHER'S

BIBLE CLASS

HELD

Every Saturday Afternoon,

AT 4.30 O'CLOCK,