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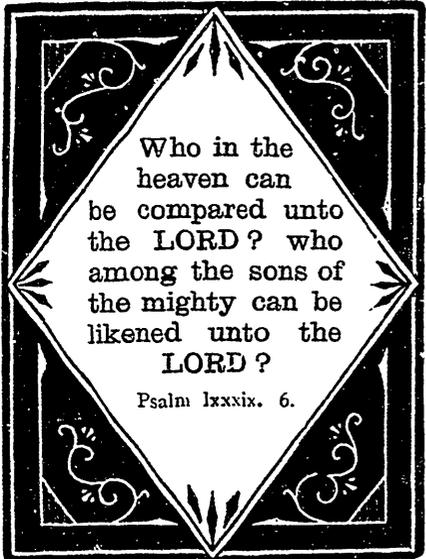
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Who in the
heaven can
be compared unto
the LORD? who
among the sons of
the mighty can be
likened unto the
LORD?

Psalms lxxxix. 6.

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MEMBERS' COURSE 1885.

Parlor Lecture

BY

W. A. DOUGLASS, B.A.

Subject, 'COMMERCIAL CRISES.'

**SHAFTESBURY HALL,
TUESDAY, JAN. 20, 1885,AT 8 P.M.**

Members and friends can secure tickets
(complimentary) at the rooms.

A CHANGE.

IT has been decided to change the hour for commencing the Sunday evening Gospel service to 8 o'clock, instead of 8.30. The Devotional Committee has come to this decision after due deliberation and prayer. It is felt that the

The glorious Gospel of the blessed God.
1 Tim. i. 11.

I would have you without carefulness.

1 Cor. vii. 32,

lateness of the hour of closing militates against the work of the after meetings. The Sunday night meeting is fast becoming the most important gathering held in our Hall. Large crowds of young men are in attendance each Sunday night. Last Sunday the floor of the Hall and the first gallery were filled, and, in looking around the gallery, we noticed but eight or ten females in the whole company. Arrangements are being made to secure a competent Christian leader for our choir, which will be composed of male voices. We ask our readers to remember the work in prayer, and specially that God may send us night after night men whom He can use in bringing home the truth as it is Christ Jesus, to those who attend the meeting.

PARLOR LECTURE.

HE second Lecture of our Members' Course will (D.V.) be delivered in our Parlor, on Tuesday evening next, at 8 o'clock, by our worthy Librarian, W. A. Douglass, Esq., B.A. The subject of the Lecture will be "Commercial Crises." We can promise our members and friends a valuable and interesting lecture. Mr. Douglass is *au fait* on this subject, and, in addition to his knowledge of the subject, he has the faculty of being able to tell what he knows in a manner calculated to interest and instruct. Admission will be by ticket (complimentary), which may be secured from the Acting General Secretary, the Assistant at the Rooms, or Mr. Peake, Chairman of the Lecture Committee.

GOSPEL AND SONG SERVICE

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING,

AT 8 O'CLOCK.

ALL WELCOME.

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Every MONDAY Evening,

AT 8 O'CLOCK,

CONVENTION REPORT.

E have before us the printed Report of the 10th Provincial Convention of Y. M. C. A.'s, Ontario and Quebec, held October 23-26, 1884, at Peterboro. The Report is well printed.

There must however, be one essential feature in a printed report, if it is to be of any value as an historical document, (and after all that is almost the only standard of value in such publications), and that is *accuracy*. If the tabulated statement which appears on page 41, is to be judged from our knowledge of some of the figures, the Report is lacking the essential referred to. For instance, Toronto is reported: *No Bible Class! No Boy's Meeting!!* Whereas, the Toronto Association has a *larger number of Bible Classes than any other Association in Canada* and has a Boy's Branch, which the Lord notices and blesses notwithstanding the omission.

The printing having been done in Montreal, may account for the failure to rectify the returns, and also doubtless prevented some changes in wording of reports, (which, had the authors seen them in type, a sense of propriety would have suggested), for instance, we notice in a brief report of a little over two pages the words "I, me, my and myself," 74 times. There is, however, this to say, the Convention appears to have been practical, and no amount of errors in a report can undo any good which may have been done at the gathering. Copies of the Report may be secured, gratis, by applying at the Rooms.

His children shall have a place of refuge.

Proverbs xiv. 26.

He is slow to anger, and of great kindness.
Joel ii. 13.

HEIRS WANTED

Heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ.—
Rom. viii. 17.

THE ESTATE

Is an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away.—1 Pet. i. 4. It comprises

MANY MANSIONS.

In My Father's house are many mansions.
John xiv. 2. Which occupy the

FINEST SITUATION

And are far removed from all the pollutions of this world, and from all defilements. There shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie; but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.—Rev. xxi. 27. They are also adorned with

Beautiful Fountains.

The Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them into LIVING FOUNTAINS OF WATERS; and God shall wipe a way all tears from their eyes.—Rev. vii. 17. Flowing through the estate are

DELIGHTFUL RIVERS.

Such as RIVERS OF PLEASURE.—Psalm xxxvi. 8. In Thy presence is fullness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.—Psalm xvi. 11. RIVERS OF LIVING WATER.—John vii. 38. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.—Rev. xxi. 6. All these are

PURCHASED POSSESSIONS

Bought WITH THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST. Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, . . . but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish, and without spot.—1 Peter i. 18, 19.

NO CLAIMANT REFUSED.

Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out.—John vi. 37. Whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins.—Acts x. 43. Behold, I stand at the door, and knock; if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me.—Rev. iii. 20.

THE PUBLIC

Are urged to put in their claim NOW, as no Claims will be received after death; and THIS NIGHT THY SOUL may be REQUIRED OF THEE. In such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.—Matt. xxiv. 44.

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.—2 Cor. vi. 2.

IDLENESS is indeed the nursery of sins, which as naturally grow up therein as weeds in a neglected field.—Barrow.

WE said to a dear friend who had bitterness and hate, "How can you pray, 'Forgive my trespasses, as I forgive them who trespass against me?'" "I skip that part," was the reply; and thus many are trying to be Christians and skipping the hard places—skipping the things which make them Christians, without which the very name and profession is a delusion.

BIBLE CLASS

FOR S. S. TEACHERS,

Conducted by Mr. S. H. Blake,

EVERY SATURDAY,

AT 4.30 P.M.

Subject—INTERNATIONAL LESSON.

Wait on the Lord, and He shall save thee.
Prov. xx. 22.

YOUNG MEN'S MEETING

Every Saturday Evening,
AT 8 O'CLOCK, FOR ONE HOUR.

COME

INFIDELITY.

 INFIDELITY, what is it? A dark and cheerless system of unbelief, which orphanizes the whole creation, and robs man of his Father, and his hopes. Where did it come from? It is the offspring of folly, for "the fool hath said in his heart, there is no God." Why should a man be an infidel? Will it make him any better? No. "For as a man thinketh so is he." If he thinks he is poor, he will act like a poor man; and if he thinks he is a beast, he will act like a beast. Will it make him happier? No. Is it medicine to the sick? No. Clothes to the naked? No. Eyes to the blind? No. Legs to the lame? No. Hope to the mourner? No. Life to the dead? No. Who, then, needs the instruction of the infidel? The wise man? No. He is wise enough without it. The fool? No. He is a fool already and has no need to say there is no God, in order to convince the world that he is a fool. The Christian? No. He would make a sorry bargain, to exchange God for chance, or a mansion in heaven for a narrow grave. Why, then do infidels work to spread their unbelief? Cannot a man come into the world without it? Yes. And laugh? Yes. And cry? Yes. And eat, drink and sleep? Yes. And die, and be buried? Yes. What more can he do with it? Nothing. What advantage, then, is infidelity? None.

EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS

Every SUNDAY, at 3 p.m.
Conducted by MR. H. B. GORDON,

Chairman of Devotional Committee.

ALL INVITED.

BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18.

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, JANUARY 19.

12 noon.—Praise and Thanksgiving. Alf. Sandham.

8 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS.

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Of Whom speaketh the Prophet Jeremiah? Jer. xxiii. 5, 6; Rom. iii. 21-26. Rev. J. Salmon.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Arise! 1. *Repentance*, Luke xv. 18, 19; 2. *Testimony*, Isa. lx. 1; Matt. v. 16. Geo. T. Fergusson.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22.

12 to 12.45 noon.—Have ye Received the Holy Ghost since ye Believed? Acts xix. 1-6; Eph. ii. 18-22. W. Marks.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23.

12 to 12.45 noon.—God's Temple must be used for God's Service. 1 Cor. vi. 19, 20. R. Merryfield.

7.30 p.m.—BOY'S LECTURE, L. C. Peake, Esq. Subject, "A Bag Tied in the Middle."

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24.

12 to 12.45 noon.—The will of the Lord be done. Acts xxi. 1-14. Assistant Secretary.

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

8 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. S. Caldecott.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25.

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 H. B. Gordon. Followed by an Enquiry Meeting at 9.15.

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

Railway Men's Meeting.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25.

3 p.m.—Union Station. R. Connors and A. Saunders.