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**"Acquaint now thyself
with Him,
and be at peace;
thereby good shall come
unto thee."**

JOB xxii. 21

REV. E. P. HAMMOND.

GOD is honoring the labors of Mr. Hammond in our midst. Of this we have received proof which is convincing. The meetings at Sherbourne St. Church have been largely attended. Afternoon services were commenced in Shaftesbury Hall on Monday last, and from the first the attendance has surpassed the expectations of the best friends of the work. The Hall has been filled, and the spiritual power and interest has been increasing. On Thursday evening notwithstanding the storm, the hall was again filled. Mr. Hammond will next week hold afternoon and evening services in Elm Street Church, and probably a morning meeting in Shaftesbury Hall. May the Churches of Toronto be aroused to united action and may many sinners be brought to Christ is our earnest heartfelt prayer.

FREE LECTURE.

MR. D. A. Jones was last Tuesday evening greeted by an audience which clearly manifested that the public are interested in the "Busy Bee." The lecture was very interesting, and had many

points which made it attractive. In the first place Mr. Jones *knew* what he was talking about, and secondly He knew *how* to talk about it. Possessed of these two essentials to a successful lecture, it is not astonishing that he was listened to with interest. We thank Mr. Jones for his kindness, and hope that his future success in "Bee Farming" may be even greater than that of the past.

OUR WORK.

WE felt truly grateful to God as we entered the Bible Parlor last Thursday evening and saw such a goodly number of earnest happy Christian Young Men assembled for the purpose of prayerfully re-organizing the work of the Reception Committee. The newly appointed chairman Mr. Lawrence presided and the duty was comparatively light, as the call for volunteers for each evening's work was so readily and cheerfully responded to. A very short time was spent in filling out the different appointments and the rest of the evening was spent in prayer. We were particularly struck with an expression used by one young brother while leading in prayer. He said, "Lord so fill each of us with the Spirit of Christ that we may receive every visitor to our rooms as Jesus would receive him." We utter a hearty Amen to this.

STRANGERS.

IN accordance with the resolution adopted at the workers' meeting, we have prepared a new form of invitation slip, which we hope may be blessed of God in leading many strangers to drop in to our meetings, and that there, they may be led to the Lord Jesus Christ.

He that cometh to Me,
shall never hunger.

JOHN VI. 35

NEWS FROM ROME.

MR. NEWBERRY'S many friends in Toronto will be glad to read the following extracts from a letter received by Rev. Dr. Castle from Rome:—

"I think the time has come to thank you, and the friends through you, for sending Mr. Newberry to Rome. He thus far surpasses our most sanguine expectations. Although his Italian is imperfect, still he is understood. He seems wholly consecrated to the work of leading men to the Saviour. I have no idea that any worker in Rome surpasses him in this department of work. We are learning not only to respect, but to love him. He has his peculiarities, as any earnest successful man must have. He makes his mistakes as some of the rest of us poor mortals do. He tries to correct them, as any honest man would do; but like a sensible man, he does not stop to cry over spilled milk. His whole-heartedness, his zeal, his holy boldness, his plain, direct common-sense way of putting things must necessarily awaken opposition, make enemies, and greatly try his faith, love and patience. Take him all in all, I have not seen such a worker in Italy. He sees God in everything, and so sees Him that he can cause others to see Him. How he is drawing the hearts of these poor people to him."

THE BAR-ROOM AS A BANK.

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CUMBERED WITH MUCH SERVING.

CHRIST never asks of us such busy labor
As leaves no time for resting at His feet;
The waiting attitude of expectation
He oftentimes counts a service most complete.

He sometimes wants our ear—our rapt attention—
That He some sweetest secret may impart;
'Tis always in the time of deep silence,
That heart fluids deepest fellowship with heart.

We sometimes wonder why our Lord has placed us
Within a space so narrow, so obscure,
That nothing we call work can find an entrance;
There's only room to suffer—to endure.

Well, God loves patience: souls that dwell in stillness,
Doing the little things, or resting quiet,
May just as perfectly fulfil their mission,
Be just as useful in the Father's sight.

As they who grapple with some giant evil,
Clearing a path that every eye may see,
Our Saviour cares for cheerful acquiescence,
Rather than for a busy ministry.

And yet He does love service, where 'tis given
By grateful love that clothes itself in deed;
But work that's done beneath the scourge of duty,
Be sure to such He gives but little heed.

Then seek to please Him whatso'er He bids thee;
Whether to do, to suffer, to lie still!
'Twill matter little by what path He led us,
If in it all we scught to do His will.

—Selected

A CLASS DIFFICULT TO REACH.

IN practical Christian work it is found that there is no class of young men more difficult to influence than the rich, or those who have social standing and are given up to the pleasures and business of this life alone. A noted evangelist was once asked in preliminary conference if he proposed to do anything "for the miserable poor." He answered, "Yes, and the miserable rich, too." Poverty and vagrancy entail much misery, but perverted riches, and lives given up to the world, are more fearful barriers to the entrance of the Gospel into human hearts. Who speaks to the rich young man about his soul? Very few. Practically, he is an outcast from the pale of Christian effort. He is not thought about, or if so, is supposed to be all right, because he is not down in the slums. May the Lord lead us out after the "miserably rich, too.—*Watchman.*"

ETERNITY.



NE fact is worth more than ten thousand opinions, arguments, conclusions, and deductions that religious men are occupied with; and it is a fact that,

"While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

LAST OF THE LECTURE COURSE

REV. DR. PECK.

Shaftesbury Hall, Tuesday, Mar. 8th

SUBJECT.

"Golden Opportunities and Golden Men."

TICKETS, 50c. and 25c.

Bulletin for Week Commencing February 28, 1881.

MONDAY....	Feb. 28...	12.00	M.	THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE MEETING. Dan. vi. 10; Ps. lxxii. 15. Rev. R. Cade.
	"	8.00 P.M.		WORKERS' MEETING FOR PRAYER.
TUESDAY....	Mar. 1...	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Seek help from God, rather than man. Is. xxxi. 1-3; Ps. lvi. Rev. J. Kirkpatrick.
WEDNESDAY..	" 2	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. We have sinned, 1 John i. 8-10; ii. 1-2. Rev. J. F. Ockley.
THURSDAY....	" 3	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. God's sevenfold charge against Ephraim. Hos. vii. 13-16. Rev. J. W. Treen.
	"	8.00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS. The Secretary
FRIDAY	" 4	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Healing and forgiveness. Mark ii. 1-12. W. Anderson.
	"	8.00 P.M.		BOYS' MEETING. Charles Edwards.
SATURDAY.....	" 5	12.00	M.	NOONDAY PRAYER. Evil of Strong Drink. Prov. xxiii. 29-35. Rev. H. Melville.
	"	4.50 P.M.		TEACHER'S BIBLE CLASS. Hon. S. H. Blake
	"	8.00 P.M.		YOUNG MEN'S MEETING. H. B. Gordon.
SUNDAY	" 6	9.30 A.M.		WORKER'S MEETING FOR PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY.
	"	3.00 P.M.		EVANGELISTIC BIBLE CLASS. S. R. Briggs
	"	8.30 P.M.		GOSPEL & SONG SERVICE. W. P. Crombie

Requests for prayer may be addressed to the Secretary.

RAILROAD MEETINGS.

SUNDAY, Mar. 6, 3.00 P.M.—At Union Station.—JOS. GREENE and Rev. H. MELVILLE.

At Nipissing Station.—Messrs. ROBERTS and BICKLE.

COTTAGE MEETINGS are also held every THURSDAY 8 P.M.—31 Taylor St. FRIDAY 8 P.M.—47 Brant St.

NOON PRAYER MEETING—Toronto, Grey and Bruce R. R. Workshops every WEDNESDAY at 12.30.

CLASSES.

ELOCUTION.....	MR. R. LEWIS.....	MONDAY, 8 P.M.
PHONOGRAPHY.....	MR. R. McNAB.....	MONDAY and SATURDAY, 6.45 P.M.
BOOKKEEPING.....	MR. McINTYRE.....	TUESDAY, 8 P.M.
DRAWING.....	MR. H. B. GORDON.....	FRIDAY, 8 P.M.

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