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### WHOSOEVER.

The Scripture saith, **WHOSOEVER** believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

For there is **NO DIFFERENCE** between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.

For **WHOSOEVER** shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

—Rom. x. 11-13.

### Editorial.

Our Parlors have been thoroughly renovated during the past ten days. Our members and visitors will admit that the clean and cheerful appearance now presented amply repays for the slight inconvenience experienced while the work was in progress. We are now prepared to receive the flowers and plants which we asked for in a former number of our **BULLETIN**. Please send your address that we may call for them.

The Laymen's Institute for christian workers opens at the Thousand Island Park on the 22nd. Rev. H. M. Parsons and others from Toronto will take part in the exercises. Our esteemed Brother Wilkie, who is now spending his vacation at the Park, will no doubt also take a place in this important gathering.

Mr. Moody has issued a circular calling a gathering of Christian workers at Northfield, (Mass.) for the 1st to 10th Sept. The gathering will be for prayer, study of God's word and for waiting upon God, for the "induement of power from on high." It is a most pleasing aspect of the times, that chris-

tians are thus drawn together in humble recognition of the grand truth, that without HIM "we can do nothing," that in all our labours for the Master, the success is not dependent upon us. That it is "not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord." A similar meeting to that called by Mr. Moody has just been held at Galt, Ont., when a number of christians from different parts of the Dominion met by invitation of that earnest worker, Miss Annie Macpherson.

The Annual Convention of the Y. M. C. A's. of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec will (D. V.) assemble at Ingersoll on the 30th of September, to continue in session for three days. Every possible effort will be made by the brethren in Ingersoll, and by the Executive Committee to make this convention a time of spiritual profit. Associations will be urged to send strong deputations of *strong men*, whose hearts are in the work. It is also hoped that where no Associations exist the ministers may be led to take up this matter, and attend personally, or send an active layman to learn of the work, and its advantages. The Executive Committee hope to secure the presence of Mr. Moody, and also some prominent Association men from the United States. A thorough visitation of the Associations in the western part of the Province is also proposed, but the prosecution of this important work will depend much upon the responses received from those indebted to the Executive Committee.

### WHOSOEVER.

And **WHOSOEVER** was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.—Rev. xx. 16.

# Gospel and Song Service,

SABBATH EVENING, 8.30.

**YOU**  
ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.

## SABBATH DESECRATION.

At a special meeting of the Toronto Ministerial Association held in the parlour of Shaftesbury Hall, the following resolutions relating to the Island services were unanimously adopted:—

“That whereas it has been brought to the notice of this Association that the Island ferry boats are running on the Lord’s day, contrary, as we understand, to an ordinance of the city, if not in defiance of the law of the land; and whereas, we fear this is only part of a concerted effort on the part of certain parties to degrade the Lord’s day from its proper position as a day of sacred rest and religious observance, into a season of amusement and dissipation; and, whereas, we believe this to be not only contrary to the teaching of the Word of God, and inimical to the interests of religion, but also fraught with danger to the men employed in running the boats, and of society in general; and, whereas, it has come to our knowledge that the religious services which have been recently conducted by certain of our number on the Sabbath afternoons at the Island have been urged as a justification of the running of these ferry-boats, therefore,

*Resolved.*—1. That while we should heartily rejoice in any legitimate and proper means that could be devised for supplying the people on the Island with religious services, and would cheerfully lend our aid to any scheme of this kind, we should most seriously deprecate anything which would even have the appearance of giving countenance to the running of ferry boats on the Lord’s day, or any other form of Sabbath desecration.

2. That while we fully recognize the right of every Minister of Christ to preach the gospel wherever and whenever he can, by proper means, get a congregation disposed to hear him; and while we have no reason to doubt that the esteemed brethren who have conducted religious services at Hanlan’s

Hotel on the Island on certain Sunday afternoons recently have acted from the purest and best of motives, yet, in view of the effect that it would be almost sure to have on the general question of Sabbath observance, and especially on the question of the running of ferry boats on the Lord’s Day, which we can only regard as an iniquity and calamity, we are decidedly of opinion that the continuance of the Sabbath afternoon services on the Island, by the ministers of the city, would be unwise and mischievous so long as these services are made a pretext and excuse for Sabbath desecration.

## A PENNY TESTAMENT.

Mr. Elliott Stock, Paternoster-row, is about to issue a pocket English Testament, with copious notes, references and introductions, three maps, and twenty-four illustrations, for one penny. The object of the issue at this exceptionally low price is to give Christian people the opportunity of circulating the Word of God throughout the length and breadth of the land at the slightest possible cost.—*Watchman.*

## WHOSOEVER.

Thou art inexcusable, O man, **WHOSOEVER** thou art that judgest; for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things.

But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things.

And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God.—Rom.

ii. 1-3.

# Young Men’s Meeting,

SATURDAY EVENING, 8 O’CLOCK.

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## Bulletin for Week Commencing August 16th, 1880.

MONDAY .....	Aug. 16 ..	12.00 M. 8.00 P.M.	Praise Meeting—W. E. Burford. Young Men's Bible Class. H. A. Bruton.
TUESDAY .....	" 17 ..	12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer. The Pounds Luke xix. 11-27. Rev. J. Matthewson.
WEDNESDAY..	" 18 ..	12.00 M.	Noonday Prayer The Saviour and the seekers for pre-eminence. Mark ix. 33-37; Luke xxii. 24-27. H. A. Long. of Glasgow.
THURSDAY....	" 19 ..	12.00 M.	Bible Reading.
FRIDAY .....	" 20 ..	12.00 M. 8.00 P.M.	Noonday Prayer. Tenderness of Jesus to the fallen. Luke vii. 36, 50. Boys' Meeting. Charles Edwards. [J. McGregor.
SATURDAY ....	" 21 ..	12.00 M. 4.00 P.M. 8.00 P.M.	Noonday Prayer. If I sin Rom. vi. 13; Rom. iii. 20-26; 1 John ii. 1, 2 Teacher's Bible Class. Rev. H. M. Parsons. [R. Merryfield. Young Men's Meeting. S. Caldecott.
SUNDAY.....	" 22 ..	8.30 A.M. 9.00 P.M. 8.30 P.M.	Workers' Meeting for Prayer and Bible Study. Evangelistic Bible Class. S. R. Briggs. Gospel and Song Service. W. Anderson.

OPEN TO ALL, with exception of the Monday and Saturday Evening Meetings, which are exclusively for young men. A cordial invitation is extended. Requests for prayers may be addressed to the Secretary.

### Railroad Men's Meetings.

SABBATH, Aug. 22, 3.00 P.M.—At Union Station—HON. J. McMURRICH and ALF. SANDHAM.  
" " " " " At Nipissing Station—The Railroad Secretary and Railroad Men.

**COTTAGE MEETINGS** are also held every MONDAY 8 P.M.—476 Adelaide St. W. Thursday 8 P.M.  
61 Sackville Street.

Noon Meeting every Wednesday. 12.30 to 1—Toronto Grey & Bruce Reading Rooms.

### A CURIOUS THING.

People take alcohol to keep out the cold, and to cool the system; to make them sleep, and to keep them awake; to excite the brain, and to quiet the nerves; to drown the memory, and to strengthen it; to promote good feeling, and to inflame the passions; when they are thin to make them stout, and when they are stout to make them thin; when they are thirsty, and when they are not; when they are poor to forget their poverty, and when they are rich to exhibit their wealth; when they are sick to make them well, and when they are well because they think they are sick; when they are miserable, and when they are happy; when they meet, and when they part; when they arrive at home, and when they go out; when they rise to fame, or sink to shame; when they quarrel, and when they agree; when bargains are made, and when fortunes are lost; when business is good, and when it is bad; when kings are dethroned, and when princes are crowned; when there's a birth, and when there's a death; at the feast of disgrace, and at religious festivals, In fact, they will take it anywhere and everywhere; at any time and every time; for anything and everything, which will give them an excuse for doing so.

### SAVE HIM!

Years ago the writer of this was teaching school in a village at the confluence of two rivers, one of which often became swollen with great rapidity, and fearful sometimes was the rushing of broken ice, logs, timbers, and sometimes a human being. At one time a poor boy had fallen in where the current was swift, and was being hurried towards the larger river on swift shallow waters, where any person with a small share of courage, nimbleness and strength could have rescued him. But down he went into the deep river and was lost. A young man afterwards said that he himself was standing on the shore at the time, and could have run in and brought him out. And why not? Ah, he had on a new suit of clothes which he did not wish to soil! The poor boy went to a watery grave, because the lone spectator valued more highly his own garments than the life of a fellow being. How many there are floating down the stream of life totally unprepared for the final plunge into eternity, who might be rescued by a little self-denial, a little exertion, a little earnest work, a kind word, an earnest prayer! The Son of Man saw the multitudes going down to death, and hesitated not to pour out his blood, that all who turn to him might be kept from going down to that grave from which there is no resurrection to life eternal.—*I. L. S., in Am. Messenger.*

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