### RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER.

#### The Dying Year.

'Tis the last lone hour of the dying year, And the winds are sighing low and drear As they toss the tumbing, sobbirg rain In a farewell dirge, on the window pane, As I listen to hear the gladsome shout, "The new year in the old year out."

No one grieves the old year's death, As they wait for the latest failing breath. For now that his glory and prime are o'er . He may go as the years have gone before, While the bells of time are joyfully rung O'er the birth of the new year, fresh and

young.

-Could a bard of angels truly sing of the changes this same new year may bring,

The song re-echoed adown the years Would ring with laughter and wail with

tears, While some quaff bliss, still others mast

know How bitter the dregs in a cup of woe.

Yet gladly we hail thee, bright new year With words of welcome and songs of cheer; When springtime and summer and autumn

are past Old winter shall grizzle thy bears at last, And thou, when thy glory and prime are

o'er, Shall go as the years have gone before.

The years they come and the years they go While time with a tide of sease less flow Is bearing us through his changing hours, Now under shadows, now 'mid the flowers But ever anon, toward eternity's shore. Where seasons and charges shall be no

more.

#### Haste For Thy Life!

Neglect and procrastination often mean practically the same thing. Thousands who do not intend to die without a hope of heaven neglect the "gr salvation" by postponing the day when they will comply with its conditions. They forget that the Scripture says that CHRIST died that He might become "the author of eternal salvation unto all them that Renewal of the Covenant, as obobey HIM. They do not remember the appeal, "To-day, if ye will hear His voice." Especially the young neglect to remember their Creator in the days of their youth, before the evil days come.

relent. Too late, too late ! ye cannot enter now. "No light ! so late ! and dark and chill the night-O let us in that we may see the light 'Too late ! too late ! ye cannot en-

ter now. "Have we not heard the Bridegroom is so sweet ?

O let us in, though late, to kiss His feet. 'No no ! too late ! ye cannot enter now. Ch. Advocate.

Please do not delay sending your subscripion,

## The Closing Year.

Another year has nearly run its course. Before another issue of our paper reaches our readers the bells of time shall have rung the funeral knell of the departing year. No outward sign marks what we call the close of one year and the beginning of another. But the season itself is well adapted to awaken serious reflection upon the past. How much of our best hopes

and loves, our keenest joys and sorrows, are buried in the solemn, irrecoverable past ! With those who are

advanced in years, the best part of life is there. Their childhood's joys, their youthful hopes, their earnest struggles, all are buried in the bygone years. With most of us the great turning points of life are there. The seed thoughts and special influences which made or marred life, are things of the

past. Every year is a miniature life. It has in itself on a contracted scale a

picture of our whole life. The review of the past year is therefore a review of a section of our life. The poet Young said :

to make this season a time of review

and consecration. The whole value of

these services depends upon the spirit

in which they are observed. They

may be "times of refreshing," or mere

answers, in order that what has been

wrong in the past may be removed or

How have you used the opportuni-

ties of the past year? The year has

been rich in opportunity for personal

"Tis greatly wise to talk with our

made right.

past hours,

to heaven.

beams with health and purity and In a cabin on her estate there vasa crippled blind girl, named Eizy Poulard, who heard of this great work.

asked to see Lady Huntingdon. "Cau I help?" she inquired, humbly. 'I never have done anything for God.' The servants would have driven her away, but the countess interfered. 'She is lame and blind, and scared at her own voice," they said.

"God calls his own messengers, replied the countess. "Carry her to the meeting to night at the mines." "Now," says the old chronicler. Eliza, in her solitude, had learned

many hymns, and her voice was of that tone that it would wring the heart of beast. When she sang of Christ upon the cross, the women cried out and the men wept sore. No words of the preachers were as powerful as the and in the daily and nightly meditasong of the poor cripple, lying on her tion in the law of the Lord, is a safewere converted by her."

It is said that when Lady Hunting- lected. don told her of the souls she had influenced for good, her poor, ugly face grew beautiful as an angel's.

"Who would have thought he would have chosen me ?" she said.

A few weeks ago a building in one of our cities fell suddenly. In it were hundreds of clerks and workmen, many of whom were crushed beneath victims at the windows in the upper stories.

There was no way of escape. In moment it might be too late. He climbed to the top of the pole rebels. Every time the young man

with him, fixed it securely at one end yield, I will not yield. His heart was to the window. Fifteen lives were hardened against God's grace, and at is peace.

beauty. But whether old or young, when we see that unmistakable soul-She was carried to the castle, and light in a face, we know the heart behind it is pure, the life good, and that the body thus illuminated is the timple

> of the Holy spirit. To keep the mind occupied with good, pure, useful, beautiful and divine thoughts, precludes the possibility of thinking about, and thus being tempted by things sinful, low or gross. It is because Paul knew this that he says so earnestly: 'Finally, brethren, what

scever things are true, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report,

think on these things." In the wellformed habit of thinking pure thoughts, lies the secret of being pure in heart;

pallet. They carried her from one guard against many of the sins which place to another, and many people defile the carnal heart and debase and blacken the human countenance.-Se

TOPLADY'S CONVERSION, -- The story of Todlady's conversion is of singualar intetest. He had been the child of many prayers, but to all the entreaties of his pious mother and others he answered by inwardly resolving not to become a Christian. When he and his mother were on a visit to Ireland the faling mass. A colored boy who on the Lord's day, they went to a was on the street saw the crowd of place where a good man was going to preach. He was very earnest in his

sermon, and put the question to the unsaved present, whether they would give themselves to Christ or remain

gave out the hymn, -

great hymn,-

of an electric light, taking a ladder said in his own heart: I will not

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy.

Weak and wounded, sick and sore.

The congregation, stirred by the

irnest sermon, sung the hymn with

their whole heart; and what a sermon

could not do, the singing of the hymn

did. It broke the hard, unyielding

heart. He found God, and gave him-

self to Him. He lived to be an hon-

ored preacher of the Gospel. He was

Augustus Toplady, the author of the

only at church, or only during set

hours of prayer, is a very poor servant.

We ought to make worship of our work.

Whatever we do, whether we dig on

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,

## Random Readings.

No matter where faith steps, it always finds solid rock.

There is a remedy for every wrong, and a satisfaction for every soul .--Emerson.

By watching we employ our own strength; by prayer we engage God's. -South.

The end crowns all, and that old common abitrator, time, will one day end it. - Shakes, eare.

Let friendship creep gently to a height; if it reaches to it, it may soon

Our duty is to be useful, not according to our desires but according to our

God's "go" is always followed by 'and I will go with you. In such company why should we falter ?

God helps only those who try to nelp themselves; and usually he only helps them to help themselves.

Doubt is the unsightly son of sin. If we lived on the mountain with Christ we would be above the clouds. To enjoy a thing exclusively is commonly to exclude yourself from the true enjoyment of it.-Thoreau.

To seek the kingdom of God, is to work for that kingdom just as one devoted to any other cause, works for it.

One law governs the family of God on earth and in heaven - the law of

Not only strike while the iron is hot but make it hot by striking-Cromwell.

"Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright, for the end of that man

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DECEMBER 27, 1893

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# THE HAIR

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Aver's Hair Vigor, and now my hair is growing rapidly and is restored to its original color."-Mrs. Annie Collins. Dighton, Mass.

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Ayer's Hair Vigor

run itself out of breath. - Fuller.

powers. - Amiel:

The Sunny days of Youth, a book formal observances, without life or real for boys and young men, just publish spiritual benediction. In reviewing ed, illustrates this subject by a start- the past year every Christian must feel ling dream, which in its truth to human great questions pressing upon his nature was "a dream that was not all heart and brain, and demanding candid a dream:

It is said that a man once had a very wonderful and startling dream. He seemed to be standing in the midst of a dark assembly of evil spirits. There was Satan, their King, sitting upon his throne in his dread palace of eternal gloom, grasping his mighty iron scepter of cruelty and tyranny, clothed stronger in faith and love than we in a royal robe of blackest night. With a loud voice he sent forth a proclamation to his dark servants waiting around.

Who will go to earth and persuade men to accomplish the eternal ruin of their souls?

Immediately a spirit glided quickly during the past year. All along the forward and said: I will go on this days of this dying year there have errand. been opportunities of doing good-by

How will you persuade them to neglect their true interests ? said the king.

I will persuade them that there is no heaven.

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No, said Satan, that plan will not formed the work that the Master gave succeed, you will not be able to force you to do? Are there any to whom such a persuasion upon the generality you can point as those who shall be of mankind. stars in the crown of your rejoicing in

Another messanger of evil passed the day of the Lord Jesus ? If not,

Lord.

saved by this device. And ask them what report they bore

How did you come to think of it ome one asked him. The Watch-night service, and the

God wanted to give me a chance, reckon, he said, reverently. served by Chris ians, are intended

To every man and woman comes a chance. It may not be to accumulate money. They may never know the responsibilities or the temptations which lie in a great fortune, but it they choose they may share in the keen joy of making other human lives stronger and purer, or of bringing some of God's lost children home to him.

Have you sent your subscription ? f not, kindly send it now. Have the ministers spoken to their people this month about the Intelligencer —soliciting renewals and new subscriptions? If you have not, brethren, please do so now.

### The Strong Church.

It is the one in which the Holy Spirit

It is the one in which the value of thorough organization is duly recognized.

It is the one in which the spirit of unity and brotherly fellowship prevails. In such a church there is no envy, bitterness, or strife.

It is the one in which the members recognize their money as a sacred trust to be used as God may direct comforting sorrowing hearts, enlight. for the promotion of his cause. ening clouded minds, relieving physical

It is one in which a premium is not and mental wants, and leading sinful placed on ignorance, but where intelliand hardened ones to the great Phygence is fostered and encouraged in sician of souls. How have you perthe pulpit and in the home.

> It is one in which piety counts for more than wealth, social position, or worldly knowledge, or anything else under the shining sun.

It is one in which the truth is magnified and honored, in which the whole counsel of God is preached with members order their lives by what God

traditions or perverted judgments and

It is one in which the members are ealous of its honor and good name, and will not permit those connected w that to wantonly disregard its disc pline or indulge in the gross sins of the world without rebuke.

the close of the sermon it seemed to All our prayers are but ciphers till be harder than it ever had been. When Christ's intercession be added.-C. the sermon was finished the minister Lorre.

> The love of God manifested in Jesus Christ is the highest and grandest truth known to men or angels.

God will not share the heart with mammon. He sent no manna till the provision of Egypt was spent-Par.

There are many wrong ways in doing a right thing, but there is no right way of doing a wrong thing. - United Presbyterian.

If any man turns religion into raillery by bold jests, he renders himself ridiculous, because he sports with his own life. - Tillotson.

Every day is a golden opportunity, which the Father of mercy has put into our hands for moral and religious purposes .- Bruce.

**Read 'Hints for December Work'** page five.

#### **Minard's Liniment Cures** Distemper.

hammer or cook or write, should be CONSTIPATION CURED. done heartily as unto the Lord-that THE following extract from a letter fron Mr. James M. Carson, Barff is, we are to serve God in our daily N. W. T., will speak for itself:-"I tasks, make them part of our religion. have been troubled with constipation The farmer's cornfield, the merchanic's and general debility and was induced shop, the engineer's locomotive, the to use your B. B. B. through seeing housewife's kitchen, the teacher's and your advertisement. I now take great pleasure in recommending it to all my the pupil's schoolroom, every place riends, as it completely cured me." where honest tasks are done, ought to

be a sanctuary where work is trans Street Car Accident. -- Mr. Thomas formed into worship. Working hours Sabin says; My eleven year old boy had his foot badly injured by being ought to be as much a part of the rerun over by a car on the Street Railligious life as praying and singing and way. We at once commenced bathing preaching hours. Nay, properly speakthe foot with Dr Thomas' Eclectric O l, ing, prayer and meditation and praise when the discoloration and swelling were removed, and in nine days he are not real service, but preparations could use his foot. We always keep a for service. We serve by what we do; bottle in the house ready for any mergency.



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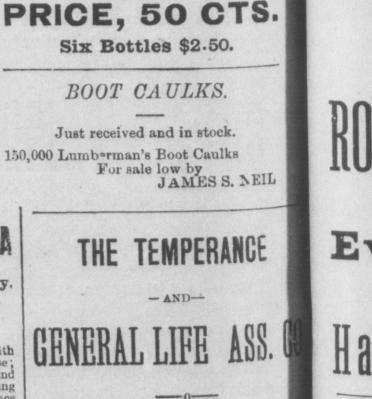
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Let me hide myself in Thee ! Worship Through Work. Let us not think of the religious life as something separate from the every-day life. He that serves God

improvement and for doing good to others. If we are not braver and has the right of way.

were a year ago, there must have been some culpable failure to use God's mercies aright. If the graces of

patience and faith have not grown to sturdier strength, it must be because they have not been duly exercised