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**Editorial.**

We wish all of our readers a happy and prosperous New Year, "with every blessing blest."

**CHRISTMAS.**

This season of general good will to all men and special celebration of the advent our our blessed Lord as the babe of Bethlehem has again come and gone, leaving sweet memories and kindly feeling with many millions of people, and the sweet consciousness of having brought a ray of sunshine in many homes and hearts to those who observed it in a practical way. The home-coming of the boys and girls from the colleges and schools and the places of employment which takes them away from their homes, the family reunions and friendly gatherings have all contributed to the universal joy, made more complete by the joyful exclamations from the little ones, as their joy overflowed at the sight of the loaded Christmas trees. The aged also lend a sacredness to the occasion by the easily flowing tears that coursed down the wrinkled faces, as they recalled the years gone by, and we all must now wave a final farewell, as having gone into the past forever, the Christmas of 1913.

**THE OLD YEAR.**

*"I have fought a good fight."*

Happy the man or woman, boy or girl, who, when taking a retrospective view of the old year, under the clear light of truth, can say with Paul, "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith," and we believe that thou-

sands upon thousands of the blood-washed, Spirit filled children of God can truthfully declare as much regarding the past year without the least hesitancy, having been victorious in every conflict, and having retained "a conscience void of offence toward God and all men," by walking in the light of truth, and being conscious of the constant cleansing by the precious blood of Jesus Christ from all sin.

The year was given us like a book, containing three hundred and sixty-five beautiful white stainless pages, representing the days of the year. Were those pages kept pure and white? Every day still has the record upon it, written in characters which represent the life lived, with its thoughts, emotions, desires, aspirations, many of which come not forth in acts, nor words, nor other outward expressions; yet the sensitive page recorded them all, even the idle words. How can we thank our great Saviour for the precious cleansing flow which gives us a constant consciousness of cleanness within, which is "of sin the double cure, saves from wrath and makes us pure."

**IN THE WORLD.**

The old year has been an eventful one in many ways which will be needless for us to repeat. Shipwrecks and mine disasters, train and automobile wrecks and accidents and murders and intoxicating liquors have saddened and blasted many homes and left many orphans, and a trail of human wreckage, besides hurling thousands into eternity it is to be feared in a wholly unprepared state.

The White Slave traffic is still plying its awful, hellish work, which is the most awful revelation of man's demoniac nature, showing the awful depths to which he is capable of descending.

A thousand times better that the girls thus spirited away were torn in pieces and eaten by packs of hungry wolves, that would at least leave their bones to show their fate, but these beasts of prey drag them to a death as awful as hell itself.

Materially, Canada has enjoyed a most prosperous year and increased her population by hundreds of thousands of emigrants from many nations, opening new problems to the churches to get the gospel of Jesus Christ among the people of so varied languages, of which it is now said that not less than 64 languages are now spoken in Canada.

Religiously, much has been said of union among the different denominations. But according to late statistics the church is quite at a standstill. Old-time revivals are largely discounted and spoken against in high circles of the church, hence old-time conviction, repentance and conversions are rarely heard of in the church generally.

But we thank God that He has preserved a few little groups of people who still hold up to the people the old-time way of repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ that results in the old-time pardon and joy of sins forgiven, with a conscious witness that they have become sons and daughters of our Heavenly Father.

Beloved, let us ask ourselves the questions, What has the old year been? What shall the new year be to us?

In reviewing the old year, ask yourself if you have done your best to encourage and help the readers of the Highway? How many have you helped by your testimony and short sketches of your experience through the Highway?

**ITEMS OF INTEREST ON MISSIONS.**

MRS. H. C. SANDERS.

Modern missionary work began in Brazil in 1859, in Chili in 1873, in Argentine in 1836 and in Peru in 1877.

South America presents the least language difficulty of any of the continents. Spanish and Portuguese predominate.—*Selected.*

A woman in Argentina found a book on a pile of rubbish and took it home. It proved to be a Bible. Through the reading of it several of her family were converted.—*Selected.*

China has a new system of education. Many temples have been cleaned and changed into schools. China feels that knowledge is power, and she craves power. She knows that Japan's victory over Russia was due to the intelligence of the soldiers, and not to the color of their skin. India is increasing her outlay for educational purposes. Colleges and universities are being established and endowed in all parts of the Orient.—*Selected.*

Japan has six millions of youth in school. Her ambition is that there shall not be an ignorant family left in any village or an ignorant member in any family. Tokyo is said to be the greatest student centre in the world.—*Selected.*

When Neesima was offered a high position under the Japanese government, he refused, saying: "My life is not my own. Many years ago I solemnly swore to devote my entire time and effort to Christ's cause. I cannot take back my words and my heart." The official argued with him for hours, but to no avail. Finally he said: "Well, Neesima, I'm going. I'm sorry. You are indeed a slave to Jesus Christ." Mission fields to-day, at home and abroad, are calling loudly for men and women who are willing to become slaves of Jesus Christ.—*Selected.*

Albania promises to be a very successful mission field now that she is released from Turkish oppression.—*Selected.*

Annam is a neglected part of Southern China with a population of 22,000,000 souls, and almost entirely without the gospel. It needs the prayers of all God's children.—*Selected.*

Hopeful beginnings have been made in mission work among the natives of the Island of Borneo.—*Selected.*

"Give while you live;  
 Your dying gift may fail  
 To hush the world's sad wail;  
 Your gold laid up with care  
 An enemy may share;  
 The shameless prodigal  
 Perchance may waste it all;  
 Give, and the influence  
 May save from rank offence  
 The children of your love;  
 Lay up such wealth above  
 Since God gives back the price  
 Of all your sacrifice."—*Selected.*

**MARRIED.**

At Grand Manan, N. B., on Dec. 10th, 1913, by Rev. H. C. Archer, James R. Parker and Miss Della M. Small, both of North Head, Grand Manan.

At Royalton, N. B., Dec. 24th, by Rev. H. C. Mullen, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Burt, Mollie A. Burt and Lewis A. Bartley, both of Knoxford, N. B.

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