

no small part of the constituent elements in our final "joy and crown of rejoicing." Therefore in the light of that hope we turn our eyes to the front again—the shadows of the past may flit across our vision, but behind them may we discern the silver lining of a brighter joy beyond. Then welcome, thrice welcome, glad New Year.

THE SUMMER SCHOOL.

WE take this early opportunity of bringing the notice of the Summer School of Theology before our readers. Past results justify a repetition of an effort on the part of the Committee in charge to prepare a programme for the summer of 1898. Those who have attended in the past will remember the attractions of such a holiday resort as "Pine Hill." Near enough the city to enjoy its advantages, and yet far enough away to be in the country, where the cooling waters of the North-West Arm lave the shore beckoning all to its bosom, in its bower of trees stands the College, with its spacious rooms, affording accommodations for forty boarders. It is an ideal spot where one can combine pleasure and profit.

Often in the worry and hard work of the ministry, with its routine of visitation and sermon-making, one longs for a breathing spell and an opportunity for fresh study. A vacation would be welcome that a year might be given to study. It would make a better man of one and flood his soul with new desires. It is not often this can be done, yet something could be achieved that would deepen the spiritual life, give a clearer grasp of Church work and its possibilities, and a wider intellectual horizon. To meet these needs another session of the Summer School has been decided upon. Not the least profitable part of the past programmes have been those hours of worship in the quiet of the library, where soul sympathized with soul, and communed with the Eternal. At one of these meetings a member of the school said, he had been at Clifton Springs and Northfield, but came to Pine Hill to receive the greater blessing. The present work of