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## STATE OF THE FUNDS, JAN. 1, 1888.

### EASTERN SECTION.

#### FOREIGN MISSION, DAYSPRING AND MISSION SCHOOLS.

Balance due Treas. May 1st, 1887,	\$2200.03	
Expenditure since	7726.88	0032.01
Receipts		\$851.07
Debt at date,		\$3061.24

#### HOMI MISSIONS.

Balance on hand May 1st, 1887,	\$ 332.00	
Receipts since	\$2000.20	\$2042.25
Expenditure since		4773.10
Debt at date,		\$1830.01

#### COLLEGE FUND.

Balance due May 1st, 1887,	\$6873.02	
Expenditure since	5798.93	14077.85
Receipts		\$ 6026.75
Debt,		\$ 8049.10

#### COLLEGE BURSARY.

Balance due Treas. May 1st, 1887,	\$487.50	
Expenditure since	76.00	562.59
Receipts		140.01
Debt		\$422.55

#### AUGMENTATION FUND.

Balance on hand May 1st, 1887,	\$5121.62	
Receipts since	1635.57	\$6857.30
Expenditure since		1934.50
Bal. on hand		\$5022.40

#### AGED AND INFIRM MINISTER'S FUND.

Balance on hand May 1st, '07	\$1142.30	
Receipts since,	1922.25	3064.01
Expenditure		1760.08
In fund		\$1304.53

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## A NEW YEAR'S GIFT.

One of the grandest New Year's gifts of which we have ever heard was recently bestowed. It was contained in over *fifty* large boxes, each divided into *seven* compartments, everyone of which was filled to its utmost capacity with good things almost bewildering in their abundance and variety. The only condition was that the receiver should, as far as possible, make a good use of them.

The receiver was the one who is reading these lines, and the gift is the good New Year which a kind Providence has once more bestowed upon us. Spread before us are its *fifty-two* precious weeks, its *three hundred and sixty-five* days, all filled with opportunities for doing and getting good, for making ourselves and others better and happier. The only condition that the bountiful giver enjoins is that we make a good use of his gifts.

A practical question for each one of us as we look out upon the opening year is, "What am I to do with it? What account will I render for it at last when years for me are done?"

Christian, what are you going to do during the coming year for Him who loved you and gave HIMSELF for you. You can *live* for Him, letting him shine out more brightly in your lives. You can according as He has provided you, *give* for Him to send the glad tidings of His love and mercy to those who know them not. You can *work* for Him by teaching the ignorant, bring in the careless, reclaiming the wandering, warning those who are going astray. You can *pray* for Him, that His kingdom may come and His will be done on earth *more* fully and completely as it is in heaven.

"But I am not a christian." If not, the year is full of opportunity for you as you now view it. At every turn there meet you the loving warning and invitation of a waiting, pitying Saviour: "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden