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**"God commendeth  
His love toward us,  
in that  
while we were yet  
sinners,  
Christ died for us."**

Rom. v. 8.

### NEW YEAR'S NOON MEETING.

**A** NEW era in the history of Israel was inaugurated at the time of their redemption from the bondage of Egypt. The Lord said, "This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you;" Ex. xii. 2. Theirs was to be a new life—a life of faith—moving onward as led by the pillar of cloud or fire. A new experience was to be theirs. No more harsh treatment at the hands of the task-master. No more unreasonable demands. Those were to be things of the past. They were now "saved by the blood." We are thankful to say that as a result of the noon meeting held on New Year's Day one who had long been held in the bondage of sin was set free, and is now rejoicing in his new found liberty. That day was truly "the beginning of months" to him, and as a new creature in Christ Jesus he is journeying onward towards the promised rest. May he be kept from any of those acts of rebellion, or those murmuring words which marked the history of Israel.

### WEEK OF PRAYER.

The meetings held in our building at 4 p. m. have been very largely attended. In fact the parlor has been filled each day. Our noon-day meeting is also increasing in numbers, and we believe in interest also.

### FREE LECTURES.

On Tuesday next Rev. Leonard Gaetz will lecture in Shaftesbury Hall. As the lecturer comes from Hamilton expressly for this purpose, and has manifested his deep interest in our work by doing so, without any charge to the Association, we feel assured that our members and friends will testify their appreciation of his act by turning out in goodly numbers to welcome him.

### SINAIATIC INSCRIPTIONS.

Prof. Hirshfelder of Toronto University has kindly consented to exhibit his collection of photographs and drawings of the "Inscriptions in the rocks at Mount Sinai" and to give an address upon this important subject. Those interested in Bible study will do well to be present. The address will be given in our parlor on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. All are invited.

### RAILROAD ITEMS.

A reading room is to be opened in one of the buildings belonging to the G. T. R. Friends who are receiving periodicals, or English and other papers would greatly help by forwarding the same to the R. R. Sec. at Shaftesbury Hall.

The Railroad Secretary acknowledges with thanks the receipt of \$20 from Mr. J. L., to be used in the relief of an aged Christian who has lately lost her husband.