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THE OLD YEAR AND THE NEW.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AT MIDNIGHT.
Hourly, and bent as a well-strung bow,
The Old Year is retreating;
Fading away from Present to Past,
With the seconds quickly fleeting.

Those who pass from Kensington northward through Palace Gardens find themselves on a private road on which are some of the finest mansions in London.

THE DIVINE PLAN FOR DESTROYING SIN.

REV. F. D. CRAWLEY,
PASTOR OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH.

"Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.--Titus ii. 14.

The self-devotion of Christ effects man's deliverance from sin.--God has revealed his purposes to overthrow the dominion of sin. His nature insures the fulfillment of that purpose, for "God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all."

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still dwelling among men, haunting the earth with upstart spiritual energies; that is the great vital truth of this 19th century.--Christ is here. Here, in the lives which he is transforming, day by day, into his likeness; here, in the conflicting currents of thought; here, in the life-like movement of national life.

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A satisfied Christ, what a prophecy of hope for the world, still so largely under the power of the wicked one, and full of the dark places of cruelty. He will continue to give himself to and for our race, until the world shall be full of the glory of God, and the sovereignty of righteousness.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know, that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." Out of these thoughts there springs another of deep significance for Christian workers.

SUNDAY SERVICES.
FREDERICTON.
CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL--The Bishop of Fredericton, Metropolitan of Canada, Rt. Rev. J. Medley, D. D.; Bishop Coadjutor, Rt. Rev. H. T. Kingdon, D. D.; sub-dean, Rev. E. A. Alexander. Services on Sunday--Cathedral of the Holy Communion, 8 a. m.; Morning service, 11 a. m.; Evening service, 6.30 p. m.

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MARTELLVILLE.
METHODIST CHURCH--Rev. W. W. Brewer, pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 6.30 p. m. Week services every evening at 7 o'clock. Rev. J. Sellers will preach in the morning, and the Rev. Mr. Bischoff in the evening.

ST. MARY'S.
SERVICES IN ST. MARY'S CHURCH, Rev. William Jaffray, rector, will be held to-morrow at 11 a. m.

MARSDEN CHURCH--Rev. John S. Allan, pastor. Services to-morrow at 6.30 p. m. Sermon by the pastor; subject, "A Revival." Sabbath school at 1.45.

UNION SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY, 1882.
As has been the custom in former years the Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist and Free Baptist churches will observe the week of prayer from Jan. 2nd to Jan. 8th by holding union services at half past seven o'clock, on each week-day evening, and at 8 o'clock on the evening of Sunday, January 8th. The following is the programme:

On Monday evening, in the vestry of the Baptist church, conducted by Rev. Mr. McLeod.
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some of the most popular ministers are willing to do their share of the visiting and the work consequent upon it. But these are the very men who are generally so busy that they cannot devote their time to this sort of thing. So they gradually drop out and leave the work to the dull men whom nobody cares to hear.

There is about to be submitted to the French Chambers a proposition to secularize the property of the religious bodies and separate Church from State. In other words, it is proposed to take fifty-four millions of francs per annum from the clerical party. The annual budget provides for the payment of the salaries of 87 Archbishops and Bishops, 11 Canons of the first class, 192 Vicars-General, 500 Canons of Cathedrals, 68 archpriests, 595 cures of the first class, 2,791 cures of the second class, 31,247 officiating priests, 9,469 vicars, 9 chaplains of the Paris committee, 1 chaplain at Versailles, and 3 secretaries of the Algerian Bishops. In all, 45,198 members of the Catholic clergy who live on the bounty of the State. Besides this number, there are a few Jews and Protestants who receive their salaries from the same source.

In Japan the Buddhists are becoming alarmed at the spread of the Christian religion, and have attempted to bring business methods to bear on it in such a way as to prevent it from making converts of their followers. They now lend money to persons who want to engage in business, the loan being conditioned on the borrower remaining a Buddhist. The effect is reported as being somewhat similar to that of the enterprising Sunday School superintendents in this country who give children chromos and other valuable merchandise as inducements to come to Sunday school.

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