

THE COMING YEAR.

Before our feet, untrodden, lies Another year; And in our hearts grave thoughts arise, Imbued with fear.

GLIMPSSES OF HEAVEN.

A noble Christian woman whom it was our privilege once to know, was wont to say when she had come from ministering at a dying bed, "I have caught a glimpse of heaven."

"They whose hearts are whole and strong, Loving holiness, Living clean from soil and wrong, Wearing truth's white dress, — They unto no far-off height Warily need climb: Heaven to them is close in sight From these shores of time."

"Heaven lies about us in our infancy," but it is true in a larger sense, that it lies about us all through our lives, though we may shut ourselves out of it, as too many of us do, by sin and impurity.

Sorrow is only one of the lower notes in the oratorio of our blessedness.—A. J. Gordon.

A WOMAN'S WORTH.

In thinking how Christ weighs one soul against the "whole world," I think how great is the work of a Christian mother, who first saves her own soul, leads and keeps her husband in the service of God, trains her children as Christian workers, and in her home exerts a Christian influence.

TO THE DOUBTING ONES.

When a man has to go over a river though he ride once and again into the water, and come out, saying, "I fear it is too deep for me," yet, considering that there is no other way for him, he resolves to venture.

WANTED, SOMETHING INSIDE.

You may remember hearing of the Spartan who tried to make a corpse stand upright, but found that it would fall, and said, "Ah, it wants something inside!"

HUMILITY.

I believe the first test of a truly great man is his humility. I do not mean by humility, doubt of his own power, or hesitation in speaking his opinion; but a right understanding of the relation between what he can do and say, and the rest of the world's sayings and doings.

LESSONS FROM LIFE.

A GREAT NATIONAL CALL—WHAT IT TEACHES.

The last few years played and havoc with many promises of our country. Many of them did not warn, passing away apparently the full flush of life.

It is singular that many of our prominent men die of these diseases. Any journalist who watches the newspaper reports, will be astonished at the number of prominent victims of these disorders.

When a valuable horse perishes, it becomes the nine days' wonder of the sporting world, and yet thoughts of ordinary horses are dying every day, their aggregate loss is enormous, and yet their death creates no comment.

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A WELL MERITED WORD.

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BIRTHS.

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MARRIED.

BURNS-DODGE.—On Dec. 27th at the residence of the bride's parents, by the Rev. E. Baras, W. A. Mr. James Burns, only son of Mr. Robert Burns, and Hannah, third daughter of Mr. William Dodge, Farmer, all of Danlinton.

DIED.

BREKELL.—In Bowmanville on the 21st ult. the infant daughter of Geo. H. and Belle Bickell.

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