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LET IT ALONE THIS YEAR ALSO.

As we enter a New Year, it is proper and wise that we pause at its threshold and consider the lessons which it teaches.

Each year of the past has been the last year of trial to a lamentably large number of the class to whom at the opening, God has said, "Let them alone this year also," and at the close, "Cut them down."

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do not answer the end of their being. They "waste on trifling cares, the life which God's compassion spares." "Cut them down."

We turn away from this sad picture, to consider man's duty in view of his last year of trial. It is evidently this, to accept heartily and immediately God's offer of mercy, and thereby escape the visitations of his judgment.

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disposition, he was not subject to extremes of joyous excitement on the one hand, and great depression on the other; but being established in the faith, he kept on his way, with unvarying purpose, and unflinching perseverance.

ELD. ESTER TO ELD. GRISWOLD. Eld. S. S. Griswold: Dear Brother,—I thank you for your letter addressed to me, through the Recorder of Sept. 26, 1861.

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE. Scenes of deep interest occurred at Ahmednuggur, Western India, in connection with a meeting of the Mahatma mission, in October, of which accounts from several sources have appeared in the Bombay Guardian.

The mission to Orissa, India, was established in 1832, by the General Baptists of England, and reinforced afterward by the co-operation of the Free-Will Baptists of this country.

ern States, than the above quotation from your pen. It gave me much pleasure, to perceive that you recognized the subject matter of my communications, to which you referred, as "of great importance to the Christian world, and to our denomination in particular."

NEW TABLET ON TEA, COFFEE, SUGAR. For the benefit of those interested, we give the new tariff law, which went into effect on the 25th ult.

MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE. The brethren composing the New England Seventh-day Baptist Ministerial Conference met at the vestry of the Pawtucket Church, December 9th, and, after some preliminary business, voted to appropriate the following themes for essays and sermons, to be presented at the next meeting of the Conference, which is to be held with the Church at Greenmanville, Conn., on the third Tuesday in March next.

LATE FROM CHINA.—Recent correspondence from Hong Kong gives a resume of recent events in China. The formal evacuation of the city of Canton by the allied forces of France and England took place on the 21st of October, after an occupation of four years.

The Home Journal, published by Morris & Willis, New York, at \$2 per annum, single copy, with the usual deduction to clubs, has just entered on its sixteenth year, and promises to furnish to its readers for the forthcoming volume, all the former peculiar features of the paper, which has given it a world-wide reputation, with several new ones, which will add great interest to its already diversified pages.

growing, and a desire is felt to make the church, as such, take the place of voluntary societies in conducting this work.

REV. DR. WENTWORTH, of the Methodist Mission in China, writes under date of September 3d: "A week ago last Sunday, I held a second quarterly meeting at Kanchia, and baptized three more in addition to the eleven already received at that charge."

CONGRESS. In the Senate, on Monday, petitions were presented from New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, praying for the emancipation of the slaves.

WAB NEWS. A dispatch from Fortress Monroe embodies a variety of rebel news from the south, some of which is more entertaining than true.

THE PRESBYTERIAN church in Jamaica, L. I., held services on the 7th ult., in commemoration of the two hundredth anniversary of the establishment of that church.

Late advices from Beaufort and Hilton Head state that no demonstration of any kind had been made by the rebels against our troops, the stories to that effect in the rebel papers being pure inventions.

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In the House, a resolution was adopted directing the Secretary of the Treasury to furnish to the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the alleged disloyalty of Government employes, certain information asked for. Mr. Potter, the Chairman of the Committee, also asked for the passage of a resolution making a similar request of the Secretary of the Interior.

General Jackson was informed that the rebel forces were within twenty miles of him, and he was ordered to march with all possible dispatch.

Orders for building an iron-clad steamer by contract, at the Philadelphia Navy-Yard, have been received. As soon as the contract is given out, the work will be pushed forward with all possible dispatch.

A correspondent at St. Louis, writes, under date of Dec. 29, our commanders in North Missouri, who were ordered to protect the railroads, seem admirably versed in the art of How Not to Do It. Even after the

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general destruction on the North Missouri... the Hannibal and St. Joseph road... the result is that within the last ten days three of these bridges have been destroyed.

The Benton Barracks, at St. Louis, Mo., now contain about 16,000 men. The most of the regiments are from Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin.

The Louisville Journal of Friday, Jan. 3, has information that Gen. Johnston's and Backner's forces have torn up the Louisville and Nashville railroad, for three-fourths of a mile.

The Richmond Dispatch of Friday also says: "The Confederate batteries replied to Fort Pickens, and the firing continued all day.

THE EXPEDITION AGAINST MEXICO. The Havana correspondent of the New York Tribune, under date of December 28th, speaking of the Spanish invasion of Mexico,

The French portion of the allied fleet against Mexico arrived at Havana on the 27th. It consisted of the steam-frigates Massena, Guerriere and L'Ardent, and L'Austria, under Vice-Admiral Jurien de la Graviere.

The late arrivals from Europe state that the blocking up of Charleston harbor with stone is likely to lead to difficulty with European powers, more especially with England.

Several cases were tried before the United States District Court for New York, last week, the most important of which was that of the United States against the Mary McRae.

The opinion of Controller Whittlesey, acquiesced in by Secretary Chase, is that according to the present law regulating the compensation of members of Congress,

The Washington correspondent of the New York Post says of Gen. McClellan: "The truth seems to be that he has been seriously ill, that he is better, and that the authorities did not wish to have it known how ill he was—perhaps in apprehension of some movement on the part of the enemy on their learning that the commander-in-chief was incapable of attending to his duties."

California and Oregon will soon be connected by telegraph as the work has already commenced. What would our grandfathers have said, had they been told that the time would soon come when a message would be sent to the mouth of the Columbia river literally "in no time"?

The Richmond arrivals from Richmond, by flag of truce, confirm the fact that the blockade is working seriously against the rebels. In Richmond there is \$3 to \$3.50 per pound; common boots, \$3; gold bars, 50 per cent premium; nearly everything else has advanced.

A correspondent of the New York Tribune, writing from Provincetown, under date of January 1st, says that Mason and Slidell left Fort Warren at 7 o'clock that morning for that place, and were put on board the British steamer Rinaldo for Halifax.

The suspension of the New York banks excited little surprise at the West. The Chicago Tribune says that there are \$2,000,000 gold in that city, and 300 per cent more in the West than at any previous time.

The Chicago Tribune states that rebel agents, a short time ago, applied to a lithographic artist in that city to print \$5,000,000 Confederate bonds.

The next Quarterly Meeting of the associated churches of D. Ruyter, Scott, Lincoln, Preston, Otsele, and Cuyler, will be held with the Church in DeRuyter, on the last Sabbath in January, (31st inst.) 1862, services to commence at 2 o'clock P. M.

NEW YORK MARKETS—JAN. 9, 1862. Flour and Meal—Western Canal Flour is in better request; sales at \$5.00 @ 50 for superfine State and Western; 5.80 @ 5.85 for extra State; extra Ohio, 6.05 for shipping brands.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, &c. ANNUAL GENERAL OFFICE. Providence, Dec. 28, 1861. General Orders, No. 103.

To His Excellency, Gov. Wm. Sprague, Providence, R. I. The Regiment authorized by the foregoing communication will be organized as follows:

NEW YORK AND ERIE RAILROAD.—Trains leave pier foot of Duane-st. DUNKIRK EXPRESS at 7 a. m., for Dunkirk, Buffalo, Canandaigua, and principal Stations.

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