#### A THOUGHT.

The year that has fled comes not again,
The days that are gone no life renew:
But e'en from the rush of this cankering chain,
One golden truth is glimmering through.

That to him who learns from errors past,
And turns away with strength sublime.
And makes each year undo the last,
There is no wasted time.

-MAUD CHEVERTON.

### CHRISTMAS AT THE CHURCHES.

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Pastor Gould said when M.:
Wrenn gave him those books: "I think this beats the Berlin Christmas all out." We guess it did; Mr. Wrenn got one book in Berlin, Mr. Gould got nine here.

Supt. W. O. Hipwell dropped a good many little golden nuggets of practical wisdom as he read his report. One was this, "At Christmas time we must forget a good many things". And let us add, that when they are forgiven and forgotten, they are not to be mentioned any more all our lives.

While we stood watching the Presbyterian children carry up their bundles and gifts for others, Edgar M. Snow said to us: "I like this idea of training the children to think of others: they will get the notion of looking out for themselves early enough without any help from Sunday schools."

One of the interesting things to us of the Christmas time was George
L. Wrenn's description of his Christmas just 35 years ago in a Christian home in Berlin, Germany. He said the family and city gave up two full weeks to these festivities and Berlin was almost a Midway Plaisance with tradesmen from all parts of the kingdom, and those strangers remembered him among the gift-giving, as well as they remembered their kindred.

There was a large family gathering at Mrs. H. R. Green's at the "Home Bakery" inn. Four generations were represented, Mrs. Green, four children, five grand children and two great grand children, George Green and son, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Green, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McQuiston and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Green, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Burns and family, Mr. and Mrs. McKeeb, and Mrs. George Nutting. While in the dining room Orson Brand dropped his kodak on them all.

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