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Jeremiah 28:16.
"This year then shall die."

When entering upon a new year, it is well for us to pause, to take a retrospect of the past. Seriously contemplate the occurrences that may happen to us during the period. We cannot predict the future; we cannot know what events will happen to us. There are certain events, however, that happenhelper to us every year. We may expect them this year. There are other events that sometimes occur within the compass of a year; sometimes as not.
And these are events which we know are before us (to which we are sure they will come), but whether this year or the next, today or to-morrow, is uncertain. Such is the close of the present life (our entering into eternity). That we must die is certain; but the hour of year is widely and mercifully concealed, from us. Now they on considering that we should be always without benefit of a stand in concert with the prospect of the human change, it becomes us to reflect seriously upon the mere possibility that our death may happen this year, to realize the important consequences that result from these considerations. It is not only possible, but highly probable, that death may visit some of us within the coming year. But it is highly probable that it