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THE NEW YEAR.

FROM AN OLD MANUSCRIPT.

CUSTOMS PREVALENT IN OTHER DAYS.

Heavy expressions of good wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year are the greetings for this season. But, if we may credit our English friends, we may for ourselves forecast the general aspect of the next 12 months, says the Detroit News-Tribune. It is pleasant to be furnished sometimes, and a few minutes with the folklore and ancient customs of our ancestors cannot be time ill spent.

From a valuable manuscript in the library of Trinity College, Cambridge, we learn that if the New Year commences on a Sunday

The winter shall be good. I say, But great winds shall be dry; The summer shall be fine and dry; By kind skill and without loss Through all lands there shall be peace; Good time for all things to be done, But he that steals shall be found soon. What child that day born may be A great lord he shall prove to be. And again with regard to the weather note that the atmospheric conditions of the first 12 days of the year. They will give you a safe indication of what weather to expect during the coming 12 months.

You are strongly advised never to lend anything on New Year's day, or you are sure to be unlucky the whole year through. Don't pay anything either, for it is said Pay away money on New Year's day, And all the year through you'll have money to pay!

But by far the most general superstition is that of the "first foot," it being everywhere acknowledged that the fortune of a house entirely depends on the appearance and the sex of the first person crossing the threshold after the midnight hour has past. It is hard to see what Judas Iscariot has to do with Christmas, but tradition asserts that Judas, in addition to his sins, was possessed of a monstrous crop of hair. Therefore no red-headed person or even one of fair complexion must place "first foot" in a house on this momentous morning. The question of complexion, however, is not altogether a settled one. In many places it is a fair and not a dark man who should place first foot.

This harbinger of fortune must eat and drink when in the house and should, to make the charm most complete, enter by the front door, visit every room, carrying a piece of holly in his hand, and make his exit by the rear.

If the question of complexion is unsettled, that of sex is decidedly not. No female under any circumstances must be the first to enter a house on New Year's morning.

THE NEW YEAR.

A royal welcome, baby year, The first of the century new, Yet for the old we drop a tear, Even while we are welcoming you, In memory dear of the dead old year Who left us a friendship or two.

Our hopes are with thee, young one, Such hopes as have weathered the blast Of fame this year or fortune won, Withheld from us waiting the last, Some great task done, last year begun Or planned in our dreams of the past Fair child, there's one at least who prays That thou mayest bring less sorrow, Bring forth long and weary days And no re like the blessed tomorrow, With loving gaze at sunset rays So sweet from the future to borrow.

MISS Maud Kenyon, Of 1533 Orange Street, Los Angeles, Cal., writes: "I had been afflicted with my eyes for over a year with such a dreadful itching and inflammation that I could not use them for anything. Physicians had given me many different remedies which were like using so much water; they measured my eyes for glasses, which I got and wore for some time, but they did not benefit me in the least. My mother desired me to write to Dr. R. V. Pierce and explain the condition of my eyes. I did so, and after following your advice, and using eight bottles of the 'Favorite Prescription' and eight of the 'Golden Medical Discovery,' can say my trouble is entirely cured. I would advise any one so afflicted to try these wonderful medicines. My health was never so good as it is now, and I shall never tire of praising Dr. Pierce's medicines." Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter and secure a specialist's advice free of charge.

WRITE TO DR. R.V. PIERCE BUFFALO, N.Y. ALL CORRESPONDENCE PRIVATE.

Ring Out The Old; Ring In The New.

Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring happy bells across the snow; The year is dying, let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that raps the mind For those that here we see no more; Ring out the feud of rich and poor, Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out hate's slowly dying cause And ancient feuds of party strife; Ring in the nobler modes of life With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin, The Faultless coldness of the times; Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes And ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood The curie slander and the spite; Ring in the love of truth and right, Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease, Ring out the narrowing lust of gold; Ring out the thousand years of old, Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valient man and free, The larger heart and kinder hand; Ring out the darkness of the land; Ring in the Christ that is to be.

—ALFRED TENNYSON.

THE MYSTERY OF DREAMS.

MANY BELIEVE IN THEM.

A CASE IN WHICH THE COINCIDENCES WERE REMARKABLE.

On one occasion during the civil war I dreamed that I was standing beside a road when there came marching along it a strong column of prisoners, with guards at intervals on the flanks. I asked one of these guards who the prisoners were and where they had been captured. He informed me that they had been taken to an engagement with the enemy on the day before and that there were 1,900 of them. I then asked some bystander what day of the month it was and was told it was such a day of a certain month, some six weeks later than the date of the dream. The whole dream was extremely distinct, and it made a strong impression on me. I related it to a number of my comrades within the next few days and then thought of it no more.

Six weeks later, on the morning of the very day that had been mentioned in the dream as the date when the column of prisoners had passed before me, I was on picket two miles distant from the point where I had dreamed to be when I saw them. It was upon after breakfast, and I was standing by the side of the road at the fire talking to the officer of the picket when an aid to the commanding general came riding down the road. He had been a schoolfellow of our officer at West Point, and he reined up when he recognized his friend. He told us that he had good news, that there had been a sharp engagement with the enemy the day before and that our people had captured 1,900 prisoners, who had just passed the headquarters that morning on their way to the rear.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION.

Never lean with the back upon anything that is cold. Never take warm drinks and then immediately go out into the cold. Keep the back, especially between the shoulder blades, well covered; also the chest well protected in sleeping in a closed room, establish the habit of breathing through the nose, and never with the mouth open. Never go to bed with cold or damp feet. Never omit regular bathing, for, unless the skin is in active condition, the cold will close the pores and favor congestion or other diseases. After exposure of any kind, never ride in an open carriage or near the window of a train for a moment; it is dangerous to health and even life. When in haste, speak as little as possible until the horse's nose is removed from, else the voice may be permanently lost or difficulties of the throat be produced. Merely warm the back by the fire, and never continue keeping the back exposed to heat after it has become comfortably warm. To do otherwise is debilitating. When going from a warm atmosphere into a cooler one, keep the mouth closed, so that the air may be warmed by its passage through the nose ere it reaches the lungs.

Tommy—Pop, what was the straw that broke the camel's back? Tommy's Pop—The kind they put in boarding house mattresses, my son.

GOOD RESOLUTIONS.

WORKS NOTHING BUT GOOD.

TWO-FOLD BENEFITS DERIVED FROM MAKING NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS.

Notwithstanding the army of very wise and very cynical people who sneer at New Year's resolutions, I'm going to boldly announce myself here as one who believes in them. I do not hesitate to say that I have made them every year since I was old enough to think about such things, and I expect to keep it up as long as I live. Moreover, I want my girls to get into the same habit, for I consider it good and helpful. But, girls, don't take it up as a pastime, or confide in anyone who happens to be present. Be earnest about it. Go away by yourself for a little while and examine your character honestly. Don't make excuses to yourself because there are flaws in it; don't attempt to lay the blame upon anyone else; don't console yourself with the thought that you are no worse than your neighbor. Shut out all the world, face your conscience bravely, and be honest with yourself, if only for a little half hour. It cannot help but do you good.

Character is something we build for ourselves. We, and we alone, are responsible for it. We have no right to assert that environment or hereditary influences prevent us from reaching our own ideals. There is nothing but our own moral laziness to prevent us from being what we really want to be. The benefits arising from the making of New Year resolutions are twofold. It is good for us to acknowledge a fault and wish to overcome it; it is good for us to resolve to do better, even if the resolution is destined to be broken, for the soul lives on these breaths from the upper realms of life.

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THE NEW YEAR.

ONLY HAVE FAITH.

WE SHOULD NOT BE DISCOURAGED BY THE FAILURES OF THE PAST.

It is hard to tell whether the beginning of the New Year is the more full of hopefulness or regret. Of course the day is nothing. Every day marks the beginning of a new year; but, while all Christendom is fastening its thoughts upon this point of time as the close of one period and the commencement of another, serious persons can hardly help making an appraisal of the past and a forecast of the future. They think of what they have done and what they have omitted to do; of the losses and gains of the year, and it may well fall that the debit side of the ledger carries a discouraging balance. But we make a pretty unfortunate mistake if we let the failures and disappointments of the past cloud our horizon. Many lives are like century plants—they burst into bloom only after a long and tedious interval. The hard work, the patient endurance, the courage in bearing losses and trials, at length on some favored day bring forth their result, and the man is suddenly overwhelmed at the transformation of his life in the fruition of long-cherished hopes. No one of us can tell when we are standing on the verge of such a crisis. Many a man, like Saul at Gilgal, has become discouraged just to noon, and, but a little after he has committed himself to a false and weak policy the prophet has come, and he finds that he has missed the prize that was almost within his grasp. That is our New Year's greeting to the thousands of friends who read this. No matter how dark and discouraging the outlook may be, have faith in yourself and in the good providence of God, and may this year bring you the fruition of your hopes, the transformation of life which is as wonderful and yet as possible as the change which comes to the earth in May, when the warm rains and the mounting sun suddenly work the miracle of the springtime, when the cold and barren earth, as in response to the touch of an invisible wand, blooms with verdure.

A SONG FOR THE PARTING YEAR.

Good-by, old year, You have not brought me wealth; You have not raised me high, But you have left me health— Good-by, old year, and as you go My praises go with thee; You leave me toiling up the hill, I see you passing on, but still Hope lingers here with me! Good-by, good-by, old year! You have not made me great; Beyond, new tasks appear, And I must wait and wait— Good-by, old year, but as you go Still bear my praise away, Since I may toil, and toiling, hold Within my breast the faith of old That nights a coming day.

Good-by, old year, good-by! You have not brought me fame, You leave no honors I May proudly rise to claim— Good-by, old year—yet, as you leave, O take my praise along, Since I may still through hopeful eyes Perceive far distant glories rise And sing a hopeful song.

Good-by, good-by, old year! The way is rough before, And strewn along the rear Are dreams I'll dream no more!— Good-by, as best I can, Thy praise as long as I can, Since I am loved and still may love And since thou hast not robbed me of A fair man's faith in man!

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THOUGHTS.

Art Thou my Father? Let me rest; For Thou dost order what is best; And whatsoever is dark or bright, Thou only dost all things aright.

Art Thou my Father? All I meet Is needed for my wandering feet. O let me not from duty stray But guard and guide me every day!

Art Thou my Father? Soul, look up, And if there cometh one bitter cup In all thy sweet, O it was given To lead thee on, to Christ and heaven.

Thou art my Father? At the last, When all earth's joy and gloom is past, Thy voice will call, "No longer roam, But come, my weary child, come home!"—Mrs. E. M. Anderson, in Durham Sun.

RESOLUTIONS.

For three or four days after the new year has dawned there is a sound of crashing and smashing in the atmosphere. It is the world breaking its good resolutions. All the little domestic ones fall one by one. Nellie is never to resent the little hourly corrections; Willie is to stop teasing; mother was to stop worrying. All these have been disregarded. Nellie is as touchy as ever; Willie is a worse tease than ever; mother's brow looks like a cornfield; the old heathen ways are working again.

THE LITTLE TIN HORN.

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