

Best Gift of Time

The passing of years is like the coming of dawn—slow, silent, inevitable. The most eager cannot hasten the quiet, irresistible movement, and the most reluctant cannot forbid. Some gifts the years bring which we would fain decline—age, sorrow, disappointment. Some treasures they take which we would keep forever—youth, beauty, innocence. But there are more precious treasures which time cannot supply and the years cannot remove—friendship, patience, faith and love.—Herbert L. Willett.



A Happy New Year



Just at the turn of midnight, When the children are fast asleep, The Old Year slips out by himself, Glad of a chance to be laid on the shelf, And the New Year takes a peep.

Bullocks in English Church.
At Emmanuel church, Nottingham, England, considerable excitement was caused among the congregation one Sunday by two bullocks entering while the vicar was preaching his sermon. The animals had strayed from their quarters, and, finding the door open, walked in. They went into the baptistry, but the verger, attracted by the commotion, got in front of the animals, and by gentle and tactful persuasion, drove them out without any damage being done or panic caused.

Fashions Little Changed.
From the fresco paintings of women in Cretan palaces of the period about 2000 B. C., it is learned that the women of that time pinched in their waists, had flounced or accordion plaited skirts, wore an elaborate coiffure, shoes with high heels and hats which might have come from a Parisian hat shop, while one woman might be described as wearing a jupe culotte.

March of Infantry and Cavalry.
The military march must be taken as the best index of the horse capacity, conditioned by the needs of remaining effective. Under fair to good conditions cavalry are expected to accomplish from thirty to thirty-eight miles a day for several days in succession, but taking the campaign as a whole, the daily average is not expected to exceed fourteen to fifteen miles. This is the practical limit of infantry on the march; thus the two arms of the service remain together on the route.

Child Pleasers.
Do not throw away colored pictures if you have no children in your home, says a contributor to the Ladies' Home Journal. Keep a big envelope in the drawer of the library table and slip into it any pretty picture that comes into the house. Often an advertisement is worth saving after the type matter has been cut off. When an envelope is filled address it to some child you know.

Secret of Influence.
Force, fervor, intensity—these are the qualities which have given their power to great leaders in all the movements by which the world has been swayed. Sometimes they have been present in men who left so little written memorial or whose efforts were foiled by adverse circumstances that we can note only the fact that they must have been remarkable because their contemporaries admired and followed them. They possessed the secret of influence, though we cannot tell how they manifested it. They are among the riddler of history.—Chambers' Journal.

Honey Long in Use.
Hindus for centuries have used new honey as a laxative and old honey as an astringent. Aborigines of Persia offered honey to the sun. Greeks still mix it with milk of water and use it as a libation to the dead. In one section of India milk and honey are handed to all bridegrooms as they arrive at the door of the bride's father, and in ancient Egypt honey was long a chief ingredient of embalming fluid.

When You Think

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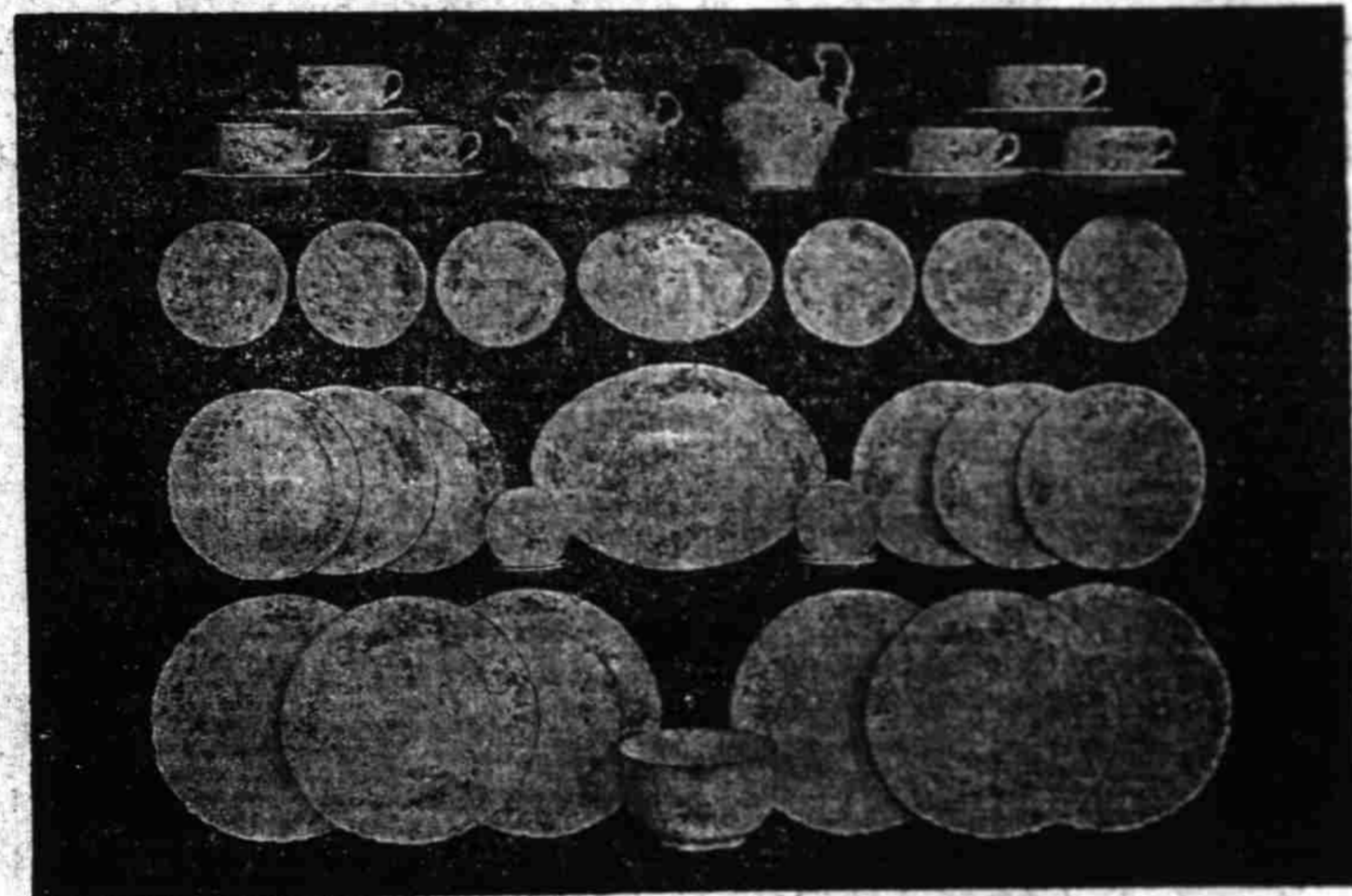
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