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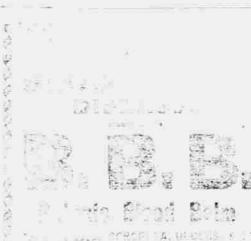
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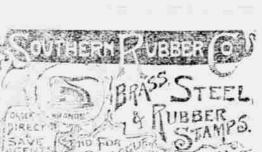
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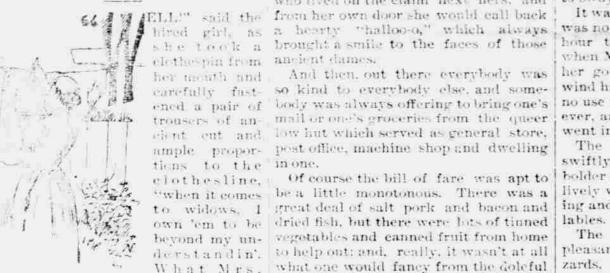
Now, as I said, the schoolma'ams

were passionately fond of flowers and

tour of pillage.

WIRDW DRAKES BEAU.

Limitly to New Year's Day.



speakin' west-ener I can't see. But countries.

out the way before number two comes ATTORNEY BIR COUNSELORAT LAW. "Her first's been under the sod these ten year an' she's mourned him long enough, the land knows. I ain't in no | w the Office: Corner Main and Tenth way against widows marryin' an' tryin' it again if they like; but I do say it 'nd be more seemly to choose a man o' her E. L. TRAVIS. Gavn Vanker stock than one o' frogeatin' French descent."

> And the hirad cirl gave the vest which she was shaking a jerk which sent one of the buttons half-way across the

It certainly did look as though there was to be a wedding at Widow; W.H.DAY, Weldon, R. RANSOM, Weldon, | Drake's before long, and the neighbors whispered that there was a little remarice connected with it. And so there was, but they never could have ruessed what it was about, neither could you if you were to try for a month-so I am going to tell you all about it.

The Voidor Drake was plump, wellpreserved little body, with fresh rosy cheeks and tright blue eyes and the would stop with their hands full of letsmoothest of brown hair without a the old of silver in it. She was not years, but a looky would have guessed tuef the way forth, and as a woman is own course I and refpeople speak of her

ther has bound and left her a neat little | Now there was, about three-quarters | gown. some and smooth money to househer of namile to the right of the widow's few little responses new and then, in cred with luxuriant vines; over the the shape of a dyed gown or a recon- front door was a roughly-made lattice, about her.

and the manage an age to be which grew by their door. II . It'm and ther sense than a. The owner of the vine-draped shanty and she chose that talle of was a bachelor of middle age who will. She had fived with spoke with a queer foreign accent. He shiring her brief married was an extremely bashful man and he and the white had been berever reprocly dared look at the ladies as the implies sive dreaded being above they passed him, with the good-natured Mark or b. But Priscille was neither mit attention non responsive, and Tom. greeting of the country. "Toll west, was much more opt to



TOM PURRED HIS APPROVAL.

was to him that she whispered, upon this evening in June, that she had half a mind to go west and take up a claim. And Ten parred his approval and the way of verdure. And the two old widow went on and poured into his car maids joked the widow and caused her a scheme which lad been working in to blush furiously at the undignified er mind for several days.

Of course every one said that she must | vine. by crazy. Call, over-theifty and yea- In time, the shy man grew a little spit hit out on de flo? ing and who knew of no other way of from the lake near by. And at each gah!-Texas Siftings. making a change which would benefit offering the widow would nod her prether health and mind and her purse as ty head wisely and smile to herself.

And that is how it happened that this weman, who were I far too dainty for no terrible heat or drought, and in Nosuch a life, was living away out on a vember it was still mild and warm. Indicate claim, in a same little sharty of | without a sign of frost. Everyone sold pine bourds, banked with sods, and in that it was a remarkable season, just the midst of the erudest of surround-

and original. It was the first of July when she filed her chain and it was required that the relation on that after all it had been very various portions of men's outlittings, and other influences above our control. bold and clear, and I can't crase a sonshould be a six months residence upon pleasant to be a pioneer woman. There He gave Charley the sack, he collared but day by day we are filling in the gle one of them. I can only turn the the thristmes turney and are already it. Everybody said that she never had been no great discomforts and dewould stay half the time; but she smiled

and struked old Tom. It wasn't so bad, after all, she thought. There were plenty of neigh-

born-not very mear, to be sure-but

privations, and now that there were but | two months more to stay, she was half

She had been putting away some of her summer clothes, and a white Mother Hubbard wrapper, a favorite garment of the widow's, hang upon a clothesline beside the house, It was a dainty thing, white cambrie, with lace-edged ruffles and with a pink ribbon bow with long ends at the neck. Indeed, to have seen the widow in it would have reconciled the most prejudiced person to the much-maligned Mother Hubbard.

There had been little fitful gusts of wind all day and late in the afternoon it became quite a gale. The tumble weeds curried from spot to spot as the wind vecred about, and the dainty Mother hast a mile seems so much near r in . Hubbard flapped furiously in the breeze. that clear atmosphere which transmits but the widow was reading a very interesting book and never looked up until OFFICE OF White and Torth Storm Why He Looks Forward Impa- Each morning she heard the shrill crash came a flying board against the vocal salute of the two schoolma'ams side of the house and the shanty began who fived on the claim next hers; and to sway and rock like a cradle.

said the from her own door she would call back ! It was a short-lived storm and there is a story that it is granted to none to hired girl, as a hearty "halloo-o," which always, was no damage done, and in half an she took a brought a smile to the faces of those hour the sky was again clear; but there who rightly read its past. Its beher mouth and . And then, out there everybody was her gown it was gone. Of course the carefully fast so kind to everybody else, and some wind had torn it to tatters. There was ened a pair of body was always offering to bring one's no use to look for it; it was gone for- its threads of light and shade, sublime trousers of an mail or one's groceries from the queer ever, and with a sigh the little woman courage and pitiful cowardice, hate and client cut and low but which served as general store, went into the house.

ample propers post office, machine shop and dwelling | The next two months flew very swiftly. The bachelor had grown delay the consummation of the Divine clothesline, Of course the bill of fare was apt to bolder and had come to call, but the plan, but there is all eternity for its "when it comes be a little monotonous. There was a lively widow did the most of the talkto widows, I great deal of salt pork and bacon and ling and he replied in broken monosyl-

beyond my un- vegetables and canned fruit from home | The weather was still bright and derstandin', to help out; and, really, it wasn't at all pleasant, and there had been no bliz-What Mrs. what one would fancy from the doleful | zards, no snow. That was "remarkthe lie can see in that there furring tales one hears of the suffering in new able" too, for it was nearly holiday

there's no question but what the wed- Then there were papers and maga- Then came Xmas, such a queer, quiet din't to come off sometime soon, an' zines and letters from dear ones. Only day with not even a letter from Priseilher tellin' me to fetch these here clo'se | there was one trouble. The widow had | la. But even then there was genuine Practices wherever his services are that belonged to number one out an' no dear ones. She was so alone. And regret in her heart when Mrs. Drake air 'con is to my mind a sure sign she's a little jealous feeling would come in began to pack her belongings preparagoin' to dispose of 'em an' get 'em spite of her when the two old maids tory to going back to the states. She was in better health and spirits than ever before, and she had a quarter section of land of her own and she had made some pleasant friends. On the whole it had paid well.

> to leave the next morning. She put on ghted lamp in the window. She thought it might cheer some one, you know, and it did; it shone way out on the path and lit the way for the bachelor as he came hurrying across the

It was New Year's eve and she was

As he came into the little room, bare of all the pretty little articles which had made it so cheerful and homelike, his heart gave a thump to think that it would so soon be empty and deserted, and he resolved to say what was on his mind at once. But the words would not come; he

could only open the parcel which he had brought and take out-guess what! The tattered remnants of a cambric Mother Hubbard.

As the widow gave a little squeal of ters from sisters and nephews and surprise, he said, with a stately bow: deces, to hand her a letter from-Prist "I have bring ze-ze chemise of madame, which ze wind brings to me Sometimes a tear would drop on so long ago." And with an impetuous rouly as oblas the books, she kept her Tom's sleek coat, but that was not motion he tore open his coat and there often; only when she was silly, she told over his heart my the folded pink ribbon which had been at the throat of the

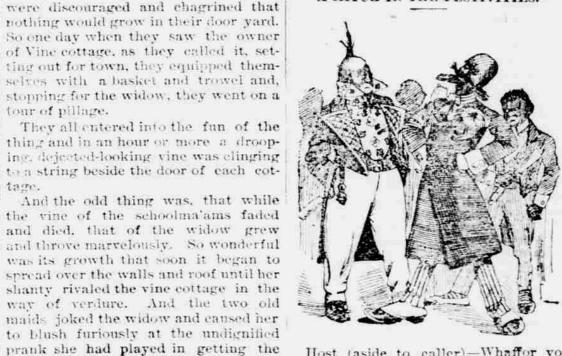
Somehow after that he didn't need comfortably without any care beyond a shanty a modest little shock, half cov- words, for the widow's dark head rested on the ribbon and both his arms were and this, too, was covered with the

Now there is something irresistibly Hor life was calm and uneventful: vines, and the whole cottage was a funny about the courtship of middlet so the fourth laby half, she thought, as coleturesque little affair and the envy of aged lovers. Young lovers are interestthere personal and prempt attention of the the interesting the the schoolma'ams, who loved flowers, ing enough, and old lovers are pathetand the second which was her come but whose vines always died and whose lically grotesque, but when two comornamental gardening was confined to mon-place people in middle life fall in Lie maid of all work, was a 'n bod of sickly-looking four o'clocks love with each other I defy them to behave so that they are above ridicule.

So we will draw the curtain here, when btell you that after her lover had gone the widow whispered to Tom: "So remantic, isn't it? But how absurd to call it a chemise." The wistow returned to her old home and to Priscilla; and it | "Hewdy" that was the customary has leaked out that she is wearing a ring with "Happy New Year" engraved The wislow had watched him often inside, so the neighbors believe that the from the window as he plowed upon wedding is to come off on an anniverhis claim, and she admired his fine sary of that day. manly bearing, and she did wish in

But I have told all that I am going to. her heart that he'd be a bit neighborly, now, and if you really want to know if and she told Tom so; but Tom only they are married, just look among the purred and stretched himself in the marriage notices on New Year's day. MARIE MORE MARSH.

A HITCH IN THE FESTIVITIES.



put sugar in dat bullion soup an' den

turesome were the milds tof the at neighborly and sometimes a brace of Caller-Keep yo hands off. A man jectives which were applied to this prairie chickens would be hung, with- dat hain't got no mo' sense dan to offer harraless little woman, who was simply out a word, on the widow's door. Or a gemmen from de souf sech stuff as again it would be a lot of care pelices. dat in er teacup, 'serves ter have hit tired of the dell life which she was liv- quartz and agate, or a trout or picker-1 spit on de flo'. Doan yo' tech me, nig-

A New Year's Poem. Bills, bills. -Somerville Journal.

New Year's Presents.

tribute any New Year's presents? Jewelers' Circular.



more wonderful than any in the wonderful narrative, and the recording angel sets his seal and turns the page. It see its conclusion, and few indeed are when Mrs. Drake went out to look for ginning was when the morning stars created out of chaos, and the plot, with love, joy and fear, no man can comprehend and no man can alter. He may completion.

The year of our Lord 1891 has witnessed marvels in the arts and sciences. The depths of the earth and the heights of the clouds have been called upon to yield their secrets, and the whole realm of space is now virtually the kingdom of the mind. In a year the world has made giant strides toward the perfection of civilization, and every one of the last fifty years has witnessed discoveries and inventions that have put to shame those of as many centuries, until, pausing in amazement on the threshold of the future, we are forced to exclaim: What wilt thou bring forth, oh, mexplicable void! The crowning of man's dreams or the end of material greatness? The summit of perfection or the return of formless chaos?"

Great as has been the progress of the an extra lump of coal and set the world, the high water mark has only been reached in certain favored spaces and vast continents are still reserved for the maturing of God's purposes.

whose bounteousness and peace have she wouldn't be at a loss and display for all the weary mouldn't men the bey within been unparalleled in the history of any her ignorance. ture and the elements have been pro- worth \$14 per agate line for nothing) so much good been done by earnest in- "H. K. Cooper's, if you have them." dividuals and society for the reclamathat much has been left unattempted.

There are those, of course, who take gloomy views of the times, who see the evil, but fail to recognize the good, and declare that morally the world is grow- What sort, madam?" ing weaker and more degenerate with each year. But truth, the mighty leaven, is germinating, dropped in the dark soil of ignorance and error; and hidden away from sight, folded in the bursting sheath, is the sprout which shall one day become the giant oak, 'neath which | of all people to be believed. our nation shall be sheltered from storms and noontide heats.

the banks of the Volga, and from the a turning of leaves. As a man once too much. If you do you will full to tice is as cruel as their forty years' probation in the desert; for the poverty-oppressed masses of our kindred nation. whose mother tongue is ours, and with whom we claim a common ancestry, and for those nations who sit in darkness. or girt about with misty and uncertain b light, but longing for perfect day.

The year 1892, upon whose threshold we now stand, is surely destined to be a momentous one in the world's history. and to America is granted the honor of erecting a milestone in the universal progress. In the year that is ore us the people of the old world will be | summoned to witness the inauguration of a monument worthy of the genius and courage of Columbus, a monument which puts to shame the proudest structure ever raised to commemorate the great deeds of prince or conqueror, and that monument is an enlightened and prosperous people, whose self reverence, self knowledge and self control have raised them, in but little more than a century, to be the object of the the cabinet organ at a donation party. Not Columbus, the Genoese, nor Colum- my toilet preparations: "One good turn games of two hundred !- Puckbus, the navigator, do we thus honor. I deserves another." but the courage which was repre- I like to turn over a new leaf once in sented in him, which dared to fling awhile. I get so tired of the old one Dashaway-1 understand that you away old traditions and obey the in- It is so stained, and blotted, and discol- core pround to Miss Paliculas last Host (aside to caller)-Whaffor yo' ward voice urging onward to great ored. It is torn in so many places and plant. Did you see the old year out totenievement.

The year lies before us, a mystery as failures. great as the mystery of all mysteries - There are the 365 little "X" marks Miss Palisade and me out limit a Jury. step taken irrevocably from time to "XX." That was while we were more I have always done it and I'm not goward eternity, for there, and there inginto the new house and getting at ling to quit now. I madden believer in only, can we meet face to face that 'tled. Then there's the entry January keeping up olden to acc. -Philadelphia shrouded shape, the Future, which for- 2, where I began smoking again, and Times. ever flees as we approach. If we would 379,472 little dots, like fly sp. iks almost. truly live well, the years, whether which mark the number of times I con senses for his national spent in work or meditation, in pleas- have "kicked" about things during the ure or pain, should yield us something past year. more than material good, which is as It's a poor, dirty, miserable, budly Howsomdever-Did old Duste dis evanescent as the morning mists. The kept, altogether too faithful record it outlines of our lives are drawn for us is interfined and criss-crossed, but it Dashbard Poore-Yes, he distributed by circumstances, training, heredity isn't illegible. Every entry stands out Harry and cuffed him, and he gave me a light and shade, the coloring in the pie- sorry-looking chronicle out of sight and trying the strain on a New Year's resoluboot. Only pants were left for Billy .- ture, and it is the coloring that will begin with a clean, fresh, new page tion which was stratched mile before it make or mar the beauty of that crea- on the other leaf. tion that shall hang in the gallery of



Year's day, the 1st of January, has been the day upon which I swear off. Not swear of ten, but swear that housefurth I will off with some pernicions habit which is slowly but surely weaving its its-its-its-its unseen network of-

given its own way too long will soon hold a person like a vice. (Not. - This Is a play upon words which I just thought of. The former vice referring to sin in its unadulterated state, and the latter meaning an instrument in which carpenters torture two-by-fears and the like and lather them previous to doing a job of plane shaving. The phrase is double action. The terms may be transposed and they get there just the

Last year I resolved that I would retrench in household expenses, and so 1 agreed to give my wife a certain amount of money every week and let her provide for the table. That is the amount sang together over the order that was says that after that it was frequently decidedly uncertain. She hadn't had much experience but she did nobly She said one day that she wished ! would give her the name of some great wholesale grocer, a name that would be a synonym for the choicest of every thing, so that when dealers asked her



THE BUTCHER DIDN'T HAVE THAT BRAND. May not the tomber charters that head and

To our nation it has been a year | what brand of an article she wanted, Be scattered at some first like flowers, and may

from their laps their garnered treas-ures, and north, south, east and west gave her at all, but that name will do. Darling are measured by the Jays which we rejoice in abundance. The faces of na- I don't propose to give advertising May charity and kindliness year life and mine

lence seems to rest in benediction upon she would inquire for some good olives. the land. In the social world too, the fruitage has been abundant. Never beliously what brand she preferred, she fore in the history of our country has would remark, as pert as you please:

Nine cases out of ten they didn't have tion of evil, the reform of abuses, and anything so good, but the salesman the amelioration of the condition of the would treat her with the greatest condeserving poor. The harvest of good sideration because she appeared to be deeds in that has been great in spite of | up in the business pretty well herself. the fact there are still fallow fields, and and not try to work off any old shop

But, alas! one day she went into a meat market and in her most imperious voice said: "I would like some liver."

worn pickles or last year's yeast cakes

"Why, I supposed that liver was all

"Oh, no. We sell several varieties." "Well," answered Marie in desperation, "you may give me H. K. Cooper's." And this is a true story and worthy

As near as I can find out, Adam was the first man to turn over a new leaf Not in the spirit of the Pharisec, but I have a suspicion, though, that be in that of reverent humility, should we turned over a good many before he got tions become. That is going in the excent view our blessings of the past year, and his winter's supply of clothing all made direction. A more useful kind of study have a fraternal sympathy for the fam- up. Adam must have reversed his cuffs is that which discriminates, prunes and ishing peasants whose cry goes up from on Wednesday, and that was, of course, discards the superfluities. Don't reserve slopes of the Ural mountains; for the said to me, facetiously, when he discove beep your resolutions and that wall exiled race, whose wandering through ered me trying to reverse my cuffs, tend to wenken your faith in yourself. the wilderness of prejudice and injus- without attracting attention, behind If you are particularly fond of an after-



EXAMINING ONE YEAR'S RECORD.

wonder and admiration of the world, having forgotten to do it in the haste of fresh page in the losleng with an ad-

it is written so full of mistakes and gether?

death. We meet it with high resolve, which indicate the days during the but every day in our life in reality past year upon which I was needlessiv marks a similar anniversary, and every errors and irritable. There are a half "Coling to liveur off driving and night witnesses the end of a year, a dozen near the top of the page marked amoiding this New Year and Of course,

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A NEW YEAR'S WISH.

I wish you a happy New Year. Man roses stress YOUR WEST And putter in glad and praceful on which you start in oak

May gottle charte of vocation bring just a TESTAL PRINT And graveous sifteed pressure hold just a shade For saids and fairer which the growth may And pleasures are tree best which seems, when Your heart will bear the moments and lines of

TWINDS IN ILLIANDS NOW YORK TO ALL WELL-SHAD

country. The seasons have poured I told her to always ask for H. K. Fir heart attent and no love know not the low

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GOOD RESCLUTIONS.

The Kind to Which the Prodent Man Will Conline ' world ... Treate below to-



construction try offerried experiment of malerng New Year's rew colutions have net ment time to done. Such restilutions, if There are by say hept. require a ground should not s tudy before. formal. It must the the right kund wif study.

bestowed epon the subject the more elaborate and lengths the set of resoludinner cigar and resolve to dispense with it, that is, one of the resolutions that a discrimination resolver would prome out, because there is next to no possibility of its being kept more than three days at the stmost. There are keep, and to these the prodent man will confine himself. Resolve that if you sit down suddenly on the ley sidewalk, or pound your thumb with a hammer, you will make a few oursory remarks. hecause it is a resolution that you will surely keeps. Become that in surrouse you will read this, papers that is an other that you can't help keeping. Desobiflons, that are kept are in source of satisfaction, says the Boston Globe, and the kind that are made every New Year's day and never loud are a fountain of more or less poignant regret.

Opening a New Account. Old Scalds-Young man, you've get

to torn over a new leaf this cour! Young Scalds smodestly - Thank you sir; would you mind starting my

Cleverton-No. I wanted to, but

A Pailing Ont-

Finally Resolutions. will tear an meh - Pailas News.

Send us a trial order for Job Work.

Nature was kind to the pioneers that

year. There had been no severe storms,

as though the remark were quite new

The willow was saying to herself one

Our outfit is now complete.