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Story of

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my kindness.

"And I will never, never forget it," she concluded, with another look of those dark blue eyes.

I tried to throw the eloquence of a Webster or a James G. Blaine into the simple "Won't you?" that constituted my modest reply.

I learned to call her Bessie—her name was Bessie Convenienced we were fast H Tenderfoot

"Happy New Year,"
"Happy New Year, and goodby, dear. Have you got my trunk checked?"
"Great Scott, no! Give " was Bessie Cozzens—and we were fast friends and rapidly reaching the senti-mental period when the time to part came at Holdrege Junction. I paid for her dinner, pressed her hand—the pres-sure was returned, too—and her train started for Denver. The pretty little woman fumbled started for Denver

ras a pleasant one.
"All aboard!" shouted the conducto

tion of the baggage room.

But the trunk check that she looked for never came, nor did her escort. The

an anxious faced little woman settled

into her seat and shaded her eyes with her dainty lace handkerchief. I sat di-rectly behind her, and I could swear

she was crying. I pitted her. Though I would have died rather than offend her, I was just about to step forward

and offer any assistance in my powe

and she told the conductor her story

She had handed the bit of pasteboard to her brother to get her trunk checked just as the train started. He had not

enough with her to pay for her meals on the journey. She was going to Den

was positively brutal. He listened to her tearful story and, instead of syn-pathising with her, remarked that the rules of the road required her to pro-

duce a ticket, pay her fare or get off and walk. My blood boiled.

ed. "I witnessed the whole occurrence, and her brother took her ticket in or-der to get her trunk ebecked just as the train left Lincoln. I saw the tick-

"Oh, thank you, sir!" said the little

woman earnestly, turning to me. Her eyes were of the darkest blue. I hadn't

noticed them before, and they nearly burned a hole through my susceptible heart. The upshot of it was that I ad-vanced the money for her fare to Den-

vances the money for her fare to Den-ver—she had her drawing room car ticket—and took a seat beside her as my right and privilege. In conversation she was as charming as in appearance. She and her brother were orphans, she said, and had never

were orphans, she said, and had never been separated longer than for a few days at a time. His business was go-ing to detain him at Lincoln over New Year's day, which they had planned to spend with very dear friends in Denver. So she was going alone, and he would meet her there very soon. She disliked traveling alone "so much," but she expected to spend "such a de-

but she expected to spend "such a de lightful New Year's day" in Denver

and so on.

I was entranced. When I expressed regret that my ticket read Cheyenne instead of Denver she seemed so disappointed that I almost decided to pay another fare to the Colorado city. But Villance

Bbe readily secured my promise to visit her before she left Denver. Chayenne is only a hundred miles away. In return she agreed to direct her brother's steps to Cheyenne if there could be found the slightest business pretext for it. The lean which I had so generously made her was to be repaid the instant she arrived at Denver. Her friends would see to that, and they

when the conductor came in

started for Denver.
"Happy New Year!" were her last
words. "Think of me on New Year's
day." Again my effort at abbreviated
eloquence, "Won't I, Bessie?"
No Pullman car ever looked so loneity as did the Romoia when I teek a
seat in the smoking room to wreathe
the name of Bessie in blue clouds all The pretty little woman fumbled around in her dainty reticule and prosuced the ticket neatly folded. Her escort rushed out of the car with it. "You'll have to hurry before the train starts," was her parting admonition.

It was in the depot at Lincoln, Neb., where we had stopped for breakfast. The couple was young, and the woman was a modest looking, pretty little body, neatly gloved and booted and stylishly dressed. Her escort's appear.

the way to Cheyenne. Pretty soon the "Did you find out who she was?" he

hought.
"Yes"—shortly—"she is Miss Bessie

body, neatly gloved and booted and stylishly dressed. Her escort's appearance did not impress me so favorably. He looked like a sport, and I hoped for her sake that he was a brother or a cousin and that they were not married. Perhaps there were personal reasons for the hope. I was a tenderfoot from the east. I had had a lonesome journey over the Burlington road, and the prospect of a good looking woman's companiouship for the day, especially if her affections were not mortgaged, was a pleasant one. "So she is," returned the condu blandly, "and the slickest confidence woman that ever traveled over my road. Her husband, who put her on the train at Lincoln, runs a brace faro

"But the ticket?" I gasped.
"Was a strip of paper nicely folded."
I thought of Beste on New Year's
day. I have thought of her on every.
New Year's day since.—New York and, "Oh, dear!" murmured the lady below her breath as she gazed anx-lously from the window in the direc-

NEW YEAR'S AT HOME.

In these days the sustem of receiving on New Year's is not followed to However, it is a very charming and old fashioned way for young girls to entertain their friends.

entertain their friends.

It is not necessary to send cards especially engraved for the occasion. Informal little notes will answer. Just write saying that you and your sistess will be at home New Year's day, mentioning the name of some of who will receive with you. If you are anxious to make the affair more formal you may send your own, your sister's and your chaperon's visit-ing cards. On the older lady's east

that it is very bad taste for young girls to offer men wine. Under ne eir-

cumstances do this. You will be surely misunderstood if you do. Have a small table laid with an attractive lunch cloth and a vase of flow-ers. From this serve chicken saind, relied bread and butter sandwiches, fancy cakes and het coffes, with whipped cream. You and your sisters should take turns at presiding here and serve the refreshments to your guests

as they arrive. It is not necessary to have any formal entertainment. Conversation and music will suffice. Receive your guests simply, wishing them a happy New Year, and tell them how pleased you

If yes have an organ or a plane it will be very useful for accompaniments in case you wish to offer your guests nucleal entertainment. The charm of such a reception is in its informality. Let your guests see that you are genuinely glad to see them.

Now is the time to subscribe to New Year's resolutions. Do not let your-self be hindered by the certainty that your resolutions of Jan. 1 will have ideals as to attain them. To keep all your New Year's resolutions would be to have an inordinate self conceit, and an inordinate self concett is ruin. Nevertheless it will do you good to make the usual batch of brave reselves with the beginning of the new year. The entire universe is held to-gether by its habit of falling. All progress in the world is held together by a series of falls. Walking, running. swimming, flying—all is falling, recovering and falling again. The law of gravitation is simply the law of falling. If it were not for the tendency of all things to fall this world of ours would fly into space in fragments. If it were not for the tendency of all men to fall we should burst with self conceit. All men must fall, but no man need lie down.—New York

A Day of Funerale In Siam and in some of the mountain istricts of India all the funerals of copie who have died during the pre people who have died during the previous twelve months take place on New Year's day. The bodies are temporarily interred soon after death, but are taken to their last resting place on the last of January following their demise. The funeral and wedding feasts are

Clangin' bells raise sich a dia When they ring the new year int 'Tain't no use to go to bed With them jangits' through yer is highe as well set up, you know, While you watch the old year go.

Dismal work to be about While you watch the old year out, Things you did and oughtn't to An' bets of things you didn't de Bet like spocks all in a row P'intin' fingers at you, so.

Merry belis ring in the year, Clashin', clangin'—"Have no fear! Here new paths before you sprea Take yer chance an' go shead!" Reckon it's a cheerful din When they ring the new year in. —Philadelphia Ledg

Another Kind of Negro Prophet

(Washington Post)

There is a colored man in Alabama, W. H. Councill by name, who seems to be particularly well endowed with that very rare attribute which we carelessly describe as "common" sense, some days ago Professor Councill—for he too eems to be the head of a southern ne ro college-addressed a meeting of some kind in Kansas. Colored prophets and leaders from both secnons frequently address northern at all unique. But as it happens, Professor Councill's speech did not contain a single reference to appeal to Kansas pity, indulged in no hint at dark cruelty and wicked oppression by the southern whites He did not proclaim the negro as the part of the country where the negro most abounds.

Quite the contrary. As a matter of fact, he said of the southern situation what every honest witness testifies -that the southern whites are the black man's truest friends.

We quote at ramdom:

doors shut in your faces, labor unwhite friends slipping away from

oyal and true to the south.

"We need and want the sympathy of every section of our country but there is a kind of unfriendly es friction and harms the negro. in the south who are capable and aid them in this as far as we can, have righteous inclination to fairly adjust all problems growing out of our new relations. There is a class at very full values, and we believe of northern whites who come south it would be wise in the farmers to as a disturbing element. They are sell any of their other surplus farm hypocrites, singing one tune to the products, which would materially negroes and another to the whites, aid them in holding their cotton.

There are many mistakes in our can correct.

Our women and children are left unsewing needle, ironing board, scrub this year. brush; she builds churches. supports schools, educates her daugh ter, often supporting an improvi dent husband or an unworthy son.

Not a word about the downtrodden southern negro and the southern white who prances on his prostrate form! No suggestion that his youth is trained in genuine right cousness an ! where a donation of spot cash would make for harmony straightfoward presentation of notoblacks will get on very well togethfrom the outside had better attend luxuriantly. to their own affairs at home. We greatly fear that Professor Councill will not get himself invited to many lionaires who like to hear their own theories paraded at luxurious func tions over the nuts and wine. He is telling the simple, sacred truth, however, wil the same, and his work is one of usefulness and hon-

Aid to Cotton Growers

Richmond. Va., Jan. 5, 1905. To the Division Sales Managers Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co.

Gentlemen . The Treasurer of this Company is having so many requests to extend the notes of seme of our customers and patrons, who have not finished paying their bills, and who desire to hold their cotton,- stating that they believe they will get more for the cotten later on,- that this Company has concluded to issue a audiences. So far the incident is not general letter on the subject as fol-

Any farmer or merchants who may be owing your Division money "wrongs" of his race, He made no and who has cotton which he de sires to hold, you are at liberty to extend his note for him for six months from January 1st, with in. terest at rate of 6 per ct.per annum, martyr to prejudice and hatred in provided he will deposit sufficient cotton to pay the note in any reliable warehouse, and will turn over to you warehouse receipts for same You are authorized to pay the insurance on said cotton and make no charge against your customer fered Heartburn and Stomach for this item.

We do not pretend to offer advice "The colored men of the north to our customers to hold cotton, make a great mistake in abusing the but we do intend to offer them every south, Let the south alone and look facility and accommodation in our to your own neglected opportunities power to hold their cotton, if in and correct your own wrongs, You their good judgment it is best, is identical with theirs. We are ions united against you, and the more clo ely and intimately confriendship and sympathy of hitherto nected with the cotton grower of the South than any dozen other concerns combined. They are our . I appeal to the white men of the customers in the purchase of fernorth to think more kindly of both tilizers and we are their customers black men and white men of the in the purchase of cotton seed. We south. Every honest negro heart is both sell and but of them and deal in every cotton growing county from Texas to Virginia. Therefore anything that will improve the agricultural conditions or help the meddling which invariably increas- farmer must necessarily, benefit us, and if holding their cotton will be a We have strong men of both races benefit to them, it is our de ire to

Other farm products, aside from cotton, appear to us to be selling

We also are of the opinion that own social life which we as a race, the acreage last year devoted to must correct, and which we alone cotton was too large, and that it never co ld have been cultivated in a normal season. The good protected by fath rs; mothe s and weather during the Spring enabled sisters are deserted by sons and the farmers to cultivate every acre brothers, was off a leave home to they planted; consequently the treincrease the army of idlers and crim- mendous crop of this year. As orinals. The great majority of our dinarily it would be impossible to boys are not in achool, do not at cultivate such an enormous acrevanished by Feb. 1. It is to this way tend church, are growing up idle, age, we b lieve it would be wise in that your high ideals have been preserved for you. Nothing so destroys jobs. The negro woman, almost creased to per cent it would mean alone, is fighting one of the grand- a reduction of more than a million est battles in the annals of man, bales next year, even if the crop with the cook pot, the washboard, yielded as much per acre as it does

It strikes us that what the farm r wants is to make his cotton at the lowest possible cost. The profit derived from growing cotton is not so much the pri e of cotton as the cost at which the crop has been grown. Mules and horses are high -much higher than a few year is the only college where the colored ago; the price of farm labor is high and scarce. Therefore every acre cultivated means a larger expenditure It costs more to cultivate an between the races! Just a plain, acre of land growing a quarter of a bale of cotton than one growing a rious facts, a diplomatic hint to the bale. In the latter instance the effect that the southern whites and plant soon grows up and shades the land and consequently the er if leftalone and that busy bodies grass does not grow so rapidly or

The cheapest item that can be used in the production of cotton is commercial fertilizers, used liberaldinners and receptions by wealthy ly, With a liberal application of white folks at the north, or receive fer ilizers the farmers can grow a very liberal contributions from mil- bale of cotton where he has hereto, fore grewn a half a bale, and do it with the same cost of mules and labor, and the additional quantity. of seed will more than pay for the extra amount of fertilizers used. Therefore encourage your customers to reduce their acreage and to increase the amount of commercial

fertilizers per acre, believing, as we do, that this is the way and the only way to raise cheap cotton.

The South must continue to pro duce around eleven million bales of cotton, or they will find in a year or two the balance of the world competing with them in growing this staple, and our foreign market largely supplied from sources that low produce but a limited quantity Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year and also for our

customers and patrons, I am, Yours very truly, S. T. MORGAN, Pres. Va.-Carolina Chemical Co.

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Apples and Drunkards

(Raleigh Times)

A well-known physician, who has for some time held to the theory given in the caption of this item has been telling the Evening Times

With the view of learning the opinions of other medical men con. cerning the fficacy of the habit of eating apples to destroy the taste for liquor he has corresponded with many medidal men living in various States. He received replies from al but thrhe.

From a large majority came an wers that they had never known a case where a person was accustomeb to the free use of apples and was drunkard, nor had they ever known of a drunkard who was accustomed

to the daily use of apples. From a personal observation covering a period of more than 2 years, the physician says he never has known a single instance where a person who was a free user af ap ples acquired the livuor habit, nor has he known a person addicted to the free use of liquor who was fond of apples.

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New Year's day, like many other of the national holidays in French Can ada, is surrounded by a halo of lege ary lore. In the days of the old regime in Canada the free life of the woods and prairies proved too tempt-ing for the young men, who frequently deserted eivilination for the savage delights of the wilderness. Thes but en every New Year's eve, back through snowstorm and hurricans in midair, came their spirits in ghostly canoes to join for a brist spell the old folks at home and kiss the girls on the annual feast of the Jour de Yan-Mew Year's dar. The lexend which New Year's day. The legend which still survives in French speaking Can

Dn. Depervie New Year's Advice.

Fust do all the good you can. Dan't take the troubles of others on your shoulders if it is not necessary, and don't tell others your treubles. Be cheerful. Seem happy, even if you are not. Try every day to make some one clee think life is worth living. All these are good resolutions for the New Year. If every one made them and events in the second of the seco Year. If every one made them and every one kept them this world would be better than it is.—Chauncey M. Depew. A MATTER OF HEALTH

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