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Its Entrance Has Been Celebrated for Many Years.

Custom of Calling Originated With Dutch in New York State-Reception by President an Annual Occasion.

HE celebration of the entrance of a New Year has been observed with much ceremony in this country ever since the beginning of our Republic, President Washington was the first to establish the custom, and at his Philadelphia residence, during his first administration, it has been noted that the day was observed with appropriate ceremonies, with a light repast in the afternoon, including a plum cake baked by Martha Washington herself, and some temperance punch, made chiefly of lemons and sugar, minus any intoxicating ingredients.

The custom of New Year's calling originated in this country with the Dutch in New York state. The nature of the day, the clearing off of old-ac-counts and the hopeful beginning of the eyes, counts and the hopeful beginning of the new trial of life, made New Year's day a day for the interchange of friendly greetings, and in no country more than in this has the friendly visiting crystallized into such a hard and fast business.

And gazed with wondering surprise Upon a sight so fine and new, He scarcely could believe it true. He gazed again, and still that sight Remained to fill him with delight, Until he asked what might this be. This thing of ablaics most this be. ized into such a hard and fast business.

In the South, in the early days, that land where social life is as delightful and spontaneous in its growth as is the flora of the region, New Year's day was formerly observed as the great time for coming out. The debutante burst into blossom on that day, the old homesteads were thrown open, and the social world, like the huge family, met to exchange greetings and good cheer

On New Year's day the observance in Washington takes on the form of diplomatic and political observances when conveyances from all over the city start moving toward the White House for their occupants to pay their respects to the president and other dignitaries of our government.

When the general custom of cele brating the first of the year by the parading of New Year clubs in fantastic costumes, and similar jollifica tions began, it is difficult to say, though it does not appear to have antedated the Civil war. As for shooting in the New Year, that seems to have been the custom-and strikingly so in Philadelphis, ever since the revolution.

When John Adams moved into the White House it was so incomplete that | ing off the snowflakes. How buoyant there was very little attempt to ob and hopeful he is! He has his pockets serve New Year's day at the mansion | full of good things for us, we are sure, nor in fact any other elaborate social How he wins us! How he inspires us! The celebration, as now ob served, began with the administration of President Jefferson. On New Year's day in 1803 it is noted "On Saturday New Year's day, the president was waited upon by diplomatic characters the officers of the government, the members of the legislature, and the citizens generally. There were also present a large number of ladies." Ir 1804 the report contains the information that "the affair was rendered more agreeable by the accompaniment of the Marine and Italian bands."

At this second Jefferson reception 'some time after the company had assembled, Colonel Burrows, at the head of the Marine corps, saluted the president, while the band of music played the president's march, went through the usual evolutions in a masterly manner, fired sixtem rounds in him new; can we keep the new that platoons, and concluded with h general 'feu-de-jole.' "

Naturally, with Dolly Madison as hostess, the New Year receptions during her husband's administration were brilliant, and at the last one, prior to the burning of the mansion, a guest wrote as follows: "Nothing ever was witpessed in Washington so brilliant and

Every president since then has cele-House and shake hands with the prest- fies.

beginning of the year we borrow from the Romans. The first Christian emperors kept up the custom of New Year's observance, though it tolerated

First Observed by Romans.

and afforded the opportunity for idolatrous rites, but later the western church opposed three days of penitence and fasting to the Pagan celebration of January (A. D. 487). By degrees. however, the church, in the eighth cen tury, abrogated the fast, and the earlier and more congenial jovial customs were gradually resumed and have con tinued to the present.



A NEW EXPERIENCE



This thing of shining mysters

As still in that strange thing he basked "Which is so bright and big and fine, And feeling brings I can't define. But which my very heart makes glad, The greatest feeling I've yet had; And braces up my spirit so With all its warmth and shine and glow?

"I never naw such sight before, And will I see it o'er and o'er? Or will it vanish like a dream, And not again upon me beam? What is this rare and radiant thing Which makes me want to dance an sing?"

The one he questioned answered: "Son,

Don't you know what? Why, that's the

NEW YEAR SOON GROWS OLD

Fades and Passes Just as All Things Earthly-Only the Spiritual Endures and Satisfies.

The heart-breaking thing about the New Year is that he becomes old. We run out to meet him today as he arrives rosy-cheeked, and ruddy, stamping his feet, drawing off his gloves, unbuttoning .his great coat and shak-We can do great things with him. He la so different from the old fellow who is gone. Poor Old Year! He got pretty stale toward the last. And then, too, we got so we didn't feel just comfortable with him. He had seen so many of our mistakes and failures. It will be easier to make a new start with him out of the way.

And now for this youngster! We shall keep the past from him. He shall not know a word of it. All his things are new. Ours shall be also, new words, new thoughts, new ways. Goodby, old things.

But even before our New Year's resolutions are all made, the New Year's day grows old. Light the candles; the day is dying. The shadows deepen. Our new New Year already is taking on age. We cannot keep he brought to us? In the first gloom of the new year we know that we cannot. The guests of the day are gone. The flowers we chose with such care are withering. The tempting feast-fragments. Is there no abiding thing? The old year was like this.

The old year was like it; the new year will be and years and yearsall alike. Time is their body; their soul is eternity. And as they come brated the dawn of the new year as one after the other they bring to us an occasion for diplomatic courtesies, the gifts of their body and the gifts as well as an opportunity to give the of their soul. The one waxes old and public a chance to visit the White passes; the other endures and satis-

Welcome, New Year. Show us your good gifts and help us to choose among them such as you and the other The observance of January 1 as the years that come and go can leave with us until the perfect and unending

A New Year Reverie

New Year met me somewhat sad: Old Year leaves me tired, Stripped of favorite things I had, Balked of much desired; Yet farther on my road today,-God willing, farther on my way.

New Year coming on apace, What have you to give me? Bring you scathe, or bring you grace, Face me with an honest face

You shall not deceive me: Be it good or ill, be it what you will, It needs shall help me on my road— My rugged road to heaven, please God.

-Christina G. Rossetti. Philosophical Rule the Best.

The world is holding its breath at the entrance into a new year. No one is wise enough to foresee what that year is going to hold. It will be a year of surprises, and the only rule for its conduct will be the old phil-osophical one of hoping for the best and preparing for the worst.

January thirty-first. You may need Note the label on your paper.

AT TURN OF ROAD

Beginning of New Year Good Time for Retrospection.

Inspiration for All of Us In Realiza-tion That Things Which Worried and Saddened Were Only Triffes.

By WM. GEORGE JORDAN.

HE beginning of the new year is of time. Here we may wisely rest a while, and in the peace and quiet and calm of self-communion see the long stretch of the road of a single twelvementh. It is built imperishably of short steps of living-from moment to moment. Many of the purposes for which we

close, selfish absorption, seem poor, petty and puny when seen from the some effort we thought marble now our life and love? is shown in its sickening sham as a hasty affair of show and pretense, made of staff, that could not stand the wear and tear and test of time. It was not built on square lines of character. of the best that was in us. It lacked pet? Are you not tired of looking strength, sincerity, simplicity. The material was made up of policy and selfishness put together on hurried plans. It was a failure; it cannot be rebuilt; but it is worth only a passing regret and a realization of the lesson of its nonsuccess-at the turn of the road.

the road should inspire us by making vivid to us how much of what we feared never came to pass. The tyranny of worry, that dominated us and held us for months trembling slaves to a weak fear, that dissipated our energy, dulled our thinking, and darkened our mental vision, at the very hours that should have given us fullest control of our best, is now seen as an enemy to truce individual growth. It means a harder fight in the unending battle against worry and grief.

the only great things in life are trifles; that what pained us most, saddened | would be happier.

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our hearts, and turned our hopes to

ashes were only trifles-cumulating in-

to overwhelming importance. A cruel

word, an unkindness, a little misun-

derstanding may darken a day and sep-

arate us from one we love or may pet-

rify us into a mood of doubt and de-

spair. The most joyous moments of

life, the high lights in the pictures of

memory, may too be only trifles of

kindness, fine expressions of love, sim-

ple tributes of confidence and trust

that make the very heart smile—as we

Nature is constantly giving us new-

turns of the road. It may be a birth-

day or some general anniversary in the

cycle of the year. It may be some red-

letter day in the private calendar of

our emotions or some date eloquent to

us as telling of some joyous "first" or

some pathetic "last" time in the sacred

diary of the heart. It may be a supreme

serrow, an agonizing sense of loss, the

coming of a great joy, the closing of

some epoch in our lives, the proving of

the actuality of something too awful

for us even to have feared, some exult-

ant half-hour that changes irrevocably

other days, hours or single moments

all our living. These and numberless

may bring us alone to-the turn of the

Then may come one of those rare

moments of life, of fine spiritual dis-

cernment, of luminous revelation, of

coming to one's highest self, when the

sordid, the mean, the temporary, the

selfish are stripped in an instant of

their garish shams and tinsel. Then

the real, the true, the eternal stand out

in their majesty, bathed in the splendor

and glow of the revealing of truth. In

such a spirit the very tingle of the in-

spiration of the infinite fills us. We

seem born again to new, better and

greater things, for we have seen the

divine vision-at the turn of the road.

"Have you decided on your New

"Yes; I'm going to give up all my expensive habits."

"Until I get my holiday bills paid

Moral-Don't Be Too Good.

New Year's day coming around year

after year, to have no bad habits to

Keep a Few.

Reserve a few good resolutions for

It certainly is embarrassing, with

Year resolutions?"

"For how long?"

swear off.

and can afford them again."

GOOD RESOLVES FOR WOMEN

Suggestions Pertinent to New Year That Will Make Home More Cheerful and Comfortable.

So many people, in making their New Year resolutions think only of their diets, their characters, and their pocketbooks! Their homes, which, directly or indirectly, influence all these things, are disassociated in their woman stops to think that her home may be made so attractive that her menfolks, without knowing the reason, a natural, sharp turn in the road will want to spend their evenings there; that her children will grow up with higher ideals, and will always keep a beautiful memory of what home means; that she herself will walk with two years ago. Thirteen years place in the world of men, knowing in her heart that her home is as it should labored and struggled, in our narrow, be-since home is such a sacred place, shall we not include the word in the list of our desires and strivings? Shall turn of the road. The structure of we not resolve to make it worthy of

Have you a chair that squeaks as you sit down upon it? Why not mend in your couch cover? Have you tacked down that loose place in your hall carat your pillows which need recovering? When are you going to get at cleaning off that smoky place on your celling? Little repairs like these work wonders in the home. Why not get at them this next week?

Have you a room which does not The look backward from the turn of please you? Why not experiment with the furniture and see if you cannot place it to greater advantage, or so that it will give greater comfort? Often the arrangement of a room is responsible for its lack of charm.

Does, your woodwork need repainting? Why not start to paint it a little at a time? In so doing the time spent is never missed and wet paint in small areas is easier to steer around.

Have you too many ornaments in your house? Why not pack some of The broader view of life reveals that them carefully away, and see how you like doing without them? Your rooms

Open Evenings

By PATIENCE WORTH

We part, oh comrade, reluctantly; Long have we trod the winding way,

Troublous, clouded, graysome—
Aye the shadowed way.
Adieu! We part, oh, comrade! Adieu!
Upon thy way I see thee going,
Bended low 'neath thy burden;
Weighted, bowing, tired, plodding
Heavy footed out upon thy newsome path.
What hand shall welcome thee?

Adieu, oh comrade! We part—
Thou upon thy way and I upon mine.
I have seen thy brothers slain;
I have seen thee stop upon thy way
To stanch some bleeding thing;
Smillog wisely, bending tenderly,
But thou art weary now—
Bent and weary. Thy steps
Are stepped most falteringly.

Adleu! With thee upon thy path, Oh, wilt thou take the memory Of my hand's clasp—the touch Of one brother upon the other's flesh?

And smile me back one smile of fello ship?

I see my aged form sink low.

I would burden thee not, save of my love;
Nor would I hang upon thy brow
A garland of glistening green
That flasheth scarlet bud.
Nay, 'twould be as a skull
Wrathed of victor's laurel—

A folly-crown upon thy most venerable

"The food value of a quart of milk

is the equivalent of three fourths of a

pound of beef, two pounds of chicken

or eight eggs. Compare the costs and

milk wins." Dr. E. V. McCullom of

John Hopkins University who visited

Oregon not long ago made this state-

family's health, and for the reduction

of your living expenses, use more dairy

Shoes have gone up in price but

we buy them. They are a necessity.

Yet milk, the food that is necessary

to everyone, because it goes up, is too

little inconsistent?

products, and then some more."

ment. He adds "For the sake of your

Adieu, oh comrade! Upon thy path! The years that come are beckoning But I shall recall thy burdens,

Thy sorrows, thy tendernesses. Aye, and, oh, wilt thou turn

And smile a smile of fellowship,

Oh, wilt thou then turn

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ered by Mary Baker Eddy fifty-

her head well up, and her shoulders after the dicovery the first back, as she sallies forth to take her "Church of Christ, Scientist," was organized in Boston, Massachusetts. Since then nearly eighteen hundred organized churches or societies have been established over the world, forty-one cities each containing two churches or societies, and twenty-four other cities each containit? Have you mended that ripped hem |ing | from | three to | eighteen churches or societies. At the Wednesday evening meetings held in these churches and societies over ten thousand people each week publicly and voluntarily bear grateful testimony to the healing and regenerative benefits they have received through Christian Science. Scores of additional carefully authenticated testimonies appear weekly and monthly in the Chistian Science Sentinel and The Christian Science Journal. fruits of Christian Science, Mrs. Lian Science, but material sense Eddy asks in her book, "Science and Health with Key to therefrom the a departure therefrom the Scriptures" (p. 349) "what will the harvest be, when this The open Science is more generally un-derstood?"

There is little difference of opinion about the fact that mortals need a clearer way and s truer point of view. All agree that the world seems to be about as full to-day as ever of sin and tumults, and wars have not substantially decreased up to the power which is omnipotent, and present hour. Surely it is too late now to believe that the ble in proportion as it is undercause of these evils can be traced stood and accepted by means of to the great source of infinite such thoughts. purity and goodness, the one changing rules.

Matter having no intelligence cannot of itself see, hear, taste, touch, or smell. Innumerable illustrations could be cited proving that the material eyes go not To the Old Year ing that the material eyes so not see, nor the material organism of

the ear hear, etc. Then if God, Spirit, cannot be seen or approached through the terial mind, and if this material material senses, through what and personal judgment has influhuman avenue can He be reach. enced thought toward Science Phone Columbia 370 ed and His infinite blessings be and Health, it is not surprising be bestowed? The answer to this preeminent question should Mrs. Eddy herself. Prejudice, now be more simple. If God, ignorance, and distrust, howev-the divine Mind, is to be reacher, give way before the facts. ed through thought only, as many believe, what other channel of thought exists after the Mrs. Eddy, invariably experimaterial has been eliminated? There is scarcely a normally

daily some thoughts of truthfulness, sincerity, faith, hope, courage, affection, purity, honesty; in other words, some unselfish thoughts, which cannot be called material, but which point thought higher to a universal good. Every one knows that and lead to better things. Turnsense, and it is the way through is known by Him.

This method of believing and "The restricted use of milk would mean a serious loss of energy, and a serious meance to the winning of the war" says G. A. Morgan in Hoard's Dairyman.

to pass, indicates something of convenience to you. Fee, 25 cents. References: Any St. Johns Bank.—Peninsula Title, Abstract and Realty Co., by H. Henderson, Manager; 402 North Jersey street. practical and certain illustration of true prayer which should ap-Instead of being prayerless, as erty bonds, or what have you? often cut from the diet. Isn't that a some have imagined, Christian Address box 33, Tillamook, Orelittle inconsistent?

Christian Science Lecture practice their Science, live lives GEORGIA RICH of continual prayer.

Gaining an understanding of Spirit and the omnipotent power Under the direction of Sev- of spiritual laws, and an under- Pupils developed from beginning to enth Church of Christ Scientist, standing of the false nature of public appearance. vation Through Spiritual Sense, material laws, the seeker is arm- sie North Kellogg street. second reader of this church: should defy the physician and be allotted to the minister? Christian Science was discov-From whence originated both? From God? No, neither the one more than the other. Jesus' identical handling of sin and disease should long ago have convinced the world that they

have an identical source. Fear and sin, Christian Science tenches, are elements of all disease and fear is the cause of the majority of human troubles. The understanding of Christian Science prevents fear and heals fear, and in this alone

Christian Science is a priceless benefaction to the human race. The healing action of Christian Science is the exact opposite of systems founded upon the use of blind faith and human will, and as the beliefs of mortal mind are legion, such systems are legion in name and variety. Departing in a degree [from matter into the realm of Phone Columbia 302 mind, their methods would sometimes deceive the unwary, who Helen M. Harper If these are some of the present may associate them with Christian Science, but material sense cannot possibly be related to spir-The operation of Christian

Science in healing disease and overcoming sin is the action of the divine Mind, God, the Principle and power of the universe through good thoughts, that is, thoughts which, admitting that they have action and power, are equally good for everything and fear, hatred and jealousy, impur- everybody in creation. These W.J. Gilstrap, M.D. E.R. Scely, M.D. ity and disease, vanity and sel- thoughts come to a human being fishness, and that calamities, through the study of Christian tumults, and wars have not sub. Science, and receal this divine

It is quite universally eternal and immutable Spirit, ed that Jesus did his healing called God. Surely intelligent works through spiritual means people do not any longer believe and methods, through his spiritthat God is the cause of human ual understanding of God, and discord and suffering, any more than they believe that the prin- faith, or will power. Surely Je- Painless Extraction of Teeth under ciple of mathematics is the sus meant that his followers cause of the failures of pupils to should understand what he ununderstand and prove its un- derstood and work as he worked. derstood and work as he worked. Office phone Col. 625; res. phone Col. 477 Otherwise how could he be the Hours—9-12 a. m.; 1:30-5 and 7-8 p. m. Way-shower?

A wrong sense has often been taken of the true meaning of Christ Jesus and of the Bible. This is also the case with "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," for such is the perversity and tenacity of the mathat it has done likewise toward Those so erroneously influenced, who afterward come to know How true are her written words, 'It is self evident that the disminded mortal who holds not coverer of an eternal truth cannot be a temporal fraud" (Mis-

cellany, p. 143.) Heaven is not a region nor a locality to be entered physically. Davis Barber Shop but it is a state of purified consciousness, a state of spiritual understanding, a salvation from these and kindred thoughts sin, sickness, and death. Death, bring satisfaction and happiness devil, hell, sin, disease, and disaster are the experiences of "the moved, by some motive for the universal good, is to touch the divine perinciple of being, and is to make the facts of being, but are only to make the facts of being, but are only to make the facts of being, but are only to make the facts of being, but are only to make the facts of being, but are only to make the facts of being, but are only to make the facts of being, but are only to make the facts of being t to gain some sense of Spirit, or illusions of material conscious-God. This sense, which all nor- ness which must be worked out mal mortals possess to some ex-tent, even though they may be ignorant thereof, is known in Christian Stieves Christian Science as spiritual active, and perishable, or wil you choose the health-giving, which man knows God, and joy-inspiring, and permanent?

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