THE GOOD NEW TIMES.

THOUGH the "old folks" talk of the good old times,
When land was plenty and cares were so few;
Yet the "young folks" listen with doubtful smiles,
Convinced they were not as good as the new.

Those were gay sleigh rides, grandpapa, I know;
While lassie ne'er danced lithe as dear "grandma'r;"
But some things could be said 'bout a modern beau,
And a cozy jaunt in a palace car.

Those were wonderful loaves dear "grandma'r" made,
And she broidered your socks with a wondrous darn;
Yet she wondered sometimes, I'm sure, if it paid,
(Would have left had she dared for a promenade
And enjoyed to have spun a little street yarn).

No doubt her papa, great-granpa, you know,
Really frowned when she purchased her wedding dress,
And sighed as he wished for the "good old times,"
When bonnets were cheaper and dresses took less.

While his great-grandpa, I've heard it said,
Wouldn't spare the wool fr: his daughter to weave;
But sighed for the fashions of Paradise,
And longed for the fig leaves of Mother Eve.

Soon forgotten is pain, when pleasures are o'er,
"Distance enchants us," the poet was right;
Who wanders his memory back to deplore,
The collar too high or the boots all too tight?

The maiden who lingers o'er past hours of bliss,
Forgets as she day-dreams of heroes and rings,
How her hair wouldn't crimp and her gloves wouldn't fit;
For "deeply depraved are inanimate things."

There are bountiful times in these good new days;
There are lives as beautiful, pure and true,
As any who moved to the simpler ways;
And it may be a trifle better, too;—

Since God with infinite, loving design,
Is raising the nations nearer to Him;
And the steady sweep of the centuries,
Ever chants a progressive, happier hymn.

Then a glad New Year, this my earnest wish,
I send in hopeful, jubilant tone:
That the coming year, rich-freighted with love,
May prove the best that you ever have known.
—Exchange.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

Lilla's Xmas Presents.

LILLA SPRAGUE seemed to blow in at the door with a gust of wind and a drift of snow. Then, having kicked a pair of snow encrusted overshoes into a corner of the hall, Miss Lilla ran upstairs in a hurry.

"See here, mother," said Lilla, "it's all over now."

"What, dear?" Mrs. Sprague asked, looking up absently from a letter she was writing.

"It's all over—I say, it's all over between Randolph—oh, what a foo—foo—fool I've been!" And she flung herself, sobbing, on a big horsehair sofa.

"But why, Lilla?"

"Don't ask me like that, mother. Don't! I've told you before. And this—this is the sec—sec—second time. Oh!" More sobs.

"I don't understand you, daughter," said her mother, leaving her batch of Christmas correspondence and going to carry comfort to the tragic figure on the horsehair sofa.

"He's run away again!" Lilla roared.

"Done what, dear?"

"The same as he did before."

"What did he do before?"

"Mother, I told you, day before yesterday—ran away from me. He thought I didn't see him."

"Mr. Watts ran away from you?"

"Yes, mother, and I'll never speak to him again. Day before yesterday he at least had the politeness to bow. This time he just turned and went down a side street. He was with that frump of a cousin. I just hate her, and him, and the whole lot."

"Don't be foolish, child. Mr. Watts will be here to explain it all. You'll see."

In answer to this Lilla only rose from the sofa, grimly took off her wraps and hat, muttering: "Yes, I'll see," and disappeared through a door that led to her own room.

Mrs. Sprague did not follow her daughter with any further attempts at consolation, neither did she guess what Lilla was going to do, and that was to write a note:

Dear Sir—In case you may wish to make any explanation of your very strange conduct on two occasions this week, I wish you would spare yourself the trouble of doing any such thing, either personally or in writing. Your ring shall be returned by mail, registered.
"LILLA SPRAGUE."

That little projectile which Lilla fired at her fiance very nearly ended the life of Randolph Watts; at least, so Watts said. He could not think, or he might have seen an easy way out of the horrible maze into which he had got himself. His transgression stared him in the face. He had run away from Lilla—twice—and had even congratulated himself on his escape from her and chuckled over it secretly. How was he to convince her that his evasion was not an evidence of disloyalty to her?

It was only three days before Christmas and Watts had promised himself that, whatever future Christmas might have in store for him, that Christmas should be the happiest he had known so far at least.

That night he lay awake until he was exhausted. Next morning he got up and went to his business mechanically.

The first ray of comfort came with his cousin, Mrs. Sucher—the same whom Lilla had spoken of as a "frump."

"Why, Randolph," said Mrs. Sucher,

"IT IS ALL OVER NOW," SAID LILLA.

as she entered the office, "what is the matter with you? Have you been ill?"

"She saw me," was all Randolph could say.

"Yes. I came to speak to you again about it. I forgot——"

"Oh, it's no use now, Cousin Mattie. She will not 'receive me or my letters'—never."

"Pooh! Did she tell you so?"

"She wrote to me—I mustn't go there."

"Look here, Randolph," said the common sense matron, "this is all nonsense. If Lilla Sprague won't receive me, she must be a ninny——"

"Don't say that!"

"I will say that. But anyhow, her mother will see me. I am going now to call on Mrs. Sprague. And now, look here, about this bracelet."

"Shall we go on with that?" said Watts, with a faint smile.

"Of course we shall, stupid. Higgins says he has tried to set the watch with the face in, as you wanted it, and he can't make any better job of it than Moore could. Now I think I'd better go and take it back to Moore's and tell them to set it with the face out, don't you?"

"Very well," said Watts, with almost childish resignation.

"And then the miniature can go inside with the original crystal over it, eh?"

"Very well."

"And then I'm going straight to Mrs. Sprague's."

"Are you?"

First to Higgins' Mrs. Sucher went, where she took possession of a remarkably pretty and uncommon gold bracelet, a tiny old-fashioned watch and the miniature. Then to Moore's, where she left the bracelet, the watch and the miniature. Then to Mrs. Sprague's.

As Mrs. Sucher entered Mrs. Sprague's private and individual sitting room she heard a whisk and rustle of skirts and a door closed behind a rapidly retreating figure.

"Lilla not well?" said Mrs. Sucher, with an incredulous laugh. "Too bad. These Christmas preparations are undeniably fatiguing. I have spent three weeks, my dear Mrs. Sprague, running about town in search of the right present for the right people."

OH, IT'S NO USE NOW, COUSIN MATTIE."

"You must have laid yourself out to be generous," said Mrs. Sprague.

"I am generous. I give my time and labor to help other people give presents. That brings me to the object of this visit. Can you keep a secret?"

"Yes," said Mrs. Sprague, "and I am burning with curiosity. So make haste and tell me."

"Oh, then you know?"

"You were with Randolph Watts when he ran away from Lilla yesterday. How was it?"

"You promise not to tell her?—to keep it for three days? Very well. You see, he wants to give her a bracelet he had made for her, with a very pretty motto on it in enamel. Then he wants to give her a beautiful little watch that belonged to his poor mother, and he has had a little miniature of his mother made to fit in behind the watch. First he took the watch to Moore's. That was the day he ran up against Lilla, when he had the whole package in his hand, and was afraid she would ask him, and ran. Yesterday, just as he was taking me to hold a consultation on that wonderful bracelet, we saw Lilla coming along. I said to him: 'Randolph, if she meets us she'll want to walk along with us, and then the whole plot is ruined. Let's turn down here before she sees us.' But it seems she saw us after all."

On Christmas morning, in spite of many earnest assurances from her mother that that morning would bring a clearing-up if all her trouble, Lilla was as terribly cross and out of tune with the chimes as she had been for four days past. Moreover, she awoke with a headache.

She found a stocking tied to the head of her bed, as she had expected, and took the stocking down and opened it mechanically. Then she found the bracelet with a scrap of paper in which, in her mother's writing, were the words, "Press the spring and look inside, behind the watch." And when she looked a lovely, loving face looked back at her—a face that was very like Randolph Watts' own.

And at the bottom of the stocking—away at the very toe—was another paper which said, "The bracelet ought to tell you why I ran away. R. W."

Then she laid her head and bracelet on her pillow, and wet both bracelet and pillow with tears until her headache was all gone.

A Happy New Year.

Delight and pathos are inextricably mingled with the thought of New Year's day, says the Boston Watchman. It is only a conventional point of time; any other would do as well. Every day closes an old year and begins a new one, but for all that we cannot help feeling that this day, which is agreed upon throughout Christendom for the beginning of a new year, is somewhat unique. The pathos comes from the review of the past, and from the sense that another notch has been cut for us on the stick of time. The delight arises from the anticipation of the new and better experiences of the year to come. What interest any rational person could have in having his fortune told is a mystery. The zest and charm of life consist largely in the fact that each day is like a new page in the story. If you wish to enjoy your book you do not, when it is half read, turn to the closing chapter to discover how it turns out. You do not thank anyone for telling you the plot. It is so with life. There is infinite satisfaction in each day's contribution to the record. You do not want to anticipate it. It would be a curse if anyone could tell you just what the year would bring. It is just as reasonable to suppose that the year will be happy as sad. Who can tell? Who can control that? Are we not in the hands of God? That is the reason for a happy New Year's day.

CHRISTMAS AND THE CHILDREN.

THE little folks are talkin'—they talk like anything
'Bout Santy Claus a-comin', an' what he's goin' to bring;
An' the mother never scolds 'em or tells 'em 'bout the noise;
They're just the sweetest little girls—the best of little boys!

Because they know that Santy Claus knows everything they do,
An' while he's loading up his sleigh he's watchin' of 'em, too!
An' them that minds their mothers, they gets the most of toys—
They're just the sweetest little girls—the best of little boys!

They've just been writin' letters to Santy Claus each day
An' tellin' him just what they want an' showin' him the way
To where the house is, so he'll know just where to leave the toys,
For just the sweetest little girls—the best of little boys!

They're gittin' mighty anxious fer the days an' nights to go,
An' all of 'em are happy an' they make their mothers so!
She never has to scold 'em or tell 'em 'bout the noise,
'Cause they're just the sweetest little girls—the best of little boys.
—Atlanta Constitution.

Best of All Gifts.

The best of all gifts at the present time is yourself. Make yourself in some way more pleasant and helpful to others. You may have been neglectful of them; be mindful henceforth. You may be quick in temper and have spoken hastily; put on restraint and speak kindly now. Restrain all evil habits and make yourself a joy and a help to others. They will bless you.

If I wuz Santa, and Santa wuz me,
D'you know what I would do?
I'd load with presents the Christmas tree
And have 'em all marked "For Willie B.,
With p'raps for Charlie a few.

P. S.—I'm Willie B.

First of All.

If Santa Claus would ask the horse,
Who has to pull the loads,
The gift he'd like for Christmas
He would shout, "Good Roads!"

It is better to give a Christmas box than to receive one from a pugilist.

THE FISH INDUSTRY.

Statistics of Columbia River Salmon Pack as Given in Annual Report of Commissioner Reed, of Oregon.

Fish Commissioner F. C. Reed, of Oregon, has filed his annual report in the office of the governor. The report covers the year ending October 31, 1899. It is a voluminous document and covers the year's work in detail.

On the subject of hatcheries the report reviews the progress in locating and constructing the buildings and the work accomplished in the state during the past year.

The number of chinook salmon eggs taken from the different hatcheries in Oregon tributary to the Columbia river for the year 1899, is as follows:

Upper Clackamas hatchery	2,200,000
Salmon river hatchery	600,000
Clackamas hatchery	1,000,000
Total for Oregon	3,800,000

Chinook salmon eggs taken on the Washington side of the Columbia:

Chinook hatchery	1,800,000
Kalama hatchery	4,000,000
Wind river hatchery	2,500,000
Little White Salmon hatchery	10,000,000
Chewaukum hatchery	1,000,000
Total for Washington	19,300,000
Total for Columbia river	23,100,000

From the salmon that were marked by Mr. Hubbard, hatched from eggs taken in 1895, there were caught during the season of 1898, 375 fish weighing from 10 to 50 pounds each. During the season of 1899 the packers and dealers have neglected to watch for the marked fish as well as they should, says the report, but between 40 and 50 have been reported, the average weight being nearly 10 pounds greater than those taken in 1898.

The report shows a falling off in the number of cases of salmon canned during the past season on the Columbia as compared with 1898. This is in part accounted for by the increased number of pounds of salmon handled by the cold-storage concerns.

The following statistics of the salmon pack are given:

Spring pack, Oregon side—

Variety.	Cases.	Value.
Chinook	191,108	$1,051,094 00
Bluebacks	22,155	121,757 00
Steelheads	19,955	89,797 50
Total	233,218	$1,262,643 50

Spring pack, Washington side—

Variety.	Cases.	Value.
Chinooks	50,590	$ 277,750 00
Bluebacks	7,650	40,975 00
Steelheads	3,240	15,030 00
Total	61,480	$ 333,755 00

Spring pack, both sides—

Total	294,698	$1,596,398 50

Fall pack, Oregon side—

Variety.	Cases.	Value.
Chinook	12,902	$ 58,059 00
Silversides	21,443	96,493 50
Steelheads	222	999 00
Total	34,567	$ 155,551 50

Fall pack, Washington side—

Variety.	Cases.	Value.
Chinook	2,450	$ 11,025 00
Silversides	7,750	34,875 00
Steelheads	650	2,925 00
Total	10,850	$ 48,825 00

Fall pack, both sides—

Total	45,417	$ 204,376 50
Total on Columbia	340,115	1,809,775 00
Total on coast rivers	74,932	271,532 00
Total	415,667	$2,072,307 50

Amount and value of each species of fish consumed locally and shipped East for the year 1899:

	Pounds.	Value.
Fresh salmon	2,199,229	$175,939
Salt salmon	1,380,860	108,468
Sturgeon	39,910	3,591
Smelt	280,500	14,025
Shad	275,380	11,015
Crawfish	138,248	13,824
Catfish	52,380	2,095
Tom cod	9,000	760
Halibut	318,400	22,472
Cod	11,500	920
Herring	11,175	335
Flounders	5,800	232
Perch	4,525	181
Oysters	590,800	14,770
Clams	110,900	2,218
Total	5,448,617	$370,848

Northwest Notes.

Republic is soon to vote on the question of incorporation.

A Portland man has bought 25,000 pounds of wool at Ashland at 15 to 18 cents.

Washington has a stringent law for the protection of hotelmen from boarding-bill jumpers.

The Fairhaven coal mines, at Cokedale, have been sold to the Great Northern railroad.

Demand has outstripped the supply of lockboxes at the Spokane postoffice, where 762 are now in use.

A gravity water supply, to be piped nine miles, is under consideration of Baker City's common council.

Baker City is talking of a "modern pavement" for its leading business street, to relieve the present "disgraceful unpaved condition."

Approximately a sum of $200,000 in delinquent taxes was paid into the county treasury this year on Whatcom city property. Of this sum, about $50,000 was the interest penalty of 6 per cent. Treasurer Roeder has placed this to the credit of the county, and the city of Whatcom has entered a demand for it. The matter will be taken into the courts.

Arthur Huey, who went from his home, near Walla Walla, to work in Umatilla county harvest fields, early in the fall, and who was sought by his parents for weeks after it had come time for him to return home, has turned up alive and well. He went to Redland, Cal., and a newspaper paragraph telling of his parents' search induced him to write home, and soon follow his letter.

An electric light plant and water works system are two improvements that are almost a necessity in Burns, and the News thinks steps will be taken early in the spring to inaugurate the two systems.

A Gilliam county man recently sold 52 head of beef cattle to the Union Meat Company, of Portland. The price was $3.50 per 100 for steers and $3.10 for fat cows. Twelve head of the cattle averaged 1,300 pounds, and one steer brought $46.57.

Through the failure of some of the shingle mills of Whatcom county to close, under the agreement recenty reached to limit production in the interest of better prices, a break-up was imminent in the Whatcom county association. But a meeting was held and the recalcitrant concerns promised to quit work, there was a new election of officers, and harmony and strength were restored.

The Lakeview Examiner reports a sale of 77 head of beef cows at 6 cents per pound, and that the seller "has a special lot of beef Christmas cows that he is holding at 6¾ cents."

TRADE QUIETING DOWN.

Undisturbed, However, by an Unfavorable Money Situation.

Bradstreet's says: General trade in wholesale and manufacturing lines is quieting down, but it is worth noting. It is undisturbed by the money situation, the influence of which has been confined to speculative circles. Holiday trade, on the other hand, has been given a decided impetus, and comparisons with the same period of preceding years are uniformly favorable, little doubt remaining that although retail trade in seasonable lines has been affected in some localities by unfavorable weather, holiday specialties have enjoyed exceptional activity. As regards prices, it is a notable fact that as many staples have advanced this week as there have declined, while by far the larger number of quotations have remained steady or firm. The strength of textiles is still a most notable feature of the general situation.

Cotton goods are heavily sold ahead by agents, and a very large spring business has already been booked. Raw cotton is firm and unchanged on the week, partly owing to the light receipts and to reaffirmation of a short crop estimated by the department of agriculture. Manufactured goods, where not advanced, are firmly held.

Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 3,250,649 bushels, against 5,133,331 bushels last week, 6,243,659 bushels in the corresponding week last year, 4,464,399 bushels in 1897, 3,524,826 bushels in 1896 and 2,056,043 bushels in 1895. Since July 1 this season, the exports of wheat aggregate 97,559,926 bushels against 109,720,853 bushels last year and 118,809,197 bushels in 1898-99.

Business failures in the United States for the week were only 210 as compared with 220 last week, 234 in this week a year ago, 283 in 1897, and 359 in 1896.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Seattle Markets.

Onions, new, $1.00@1.25 per sack.
Potatoes, new, $16@20.
Beets, per sack, 75@85c.
Turnips, per sack, 60c.
Carrots, per sack, 50c.
Parsnips, per sack, 75@85c.
Cauliflower, 75c@$1 per dozen.
Cabbage, native and California, 75@90c per 100 pounds.
Peaches, 65@80c.
Apples, $1.25@1.50 per box.
Pears, $1.00@1.25 per box.
Prunes, 60c per box.
Watermelons, $1.50.
Nutmegs, 50@75c.
Butter—Creamery, 32c per pound; dairy, 17@22c; ranch, 22c per pound.
Eggs—Firm, 30@31c.
Cheese—Native, 16c.
Poultry—9@10c; dressed, 11@13c.
Hay—Puget Sound timothy, $12.00; choice Eastern Washington timothy, $17.00@18.00
Corn—Whole, $23.00; cracked, $23; feed meal, $23.
Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, $21; whole, $22.
Flour—Patent, per barrel, $3.35; blended straights, $3.10; California, $3.25; buckwheat flour, $6.00; graham, per barrel, $3.80; whole wheat flour, $3.10; rye flour, $3.80@4.00.
Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, $16.00; shorts, per ton, $17.00.
Feed—Chopped feed, $20.50 per ton; middlings, per ton, $22; oil cake meal, per ton, $32.00.

Portland Market.

Wheat — Walla Walla, 51@52c; Valley, 52c; Bluestem, 53c per bushel.
Flour—Best grades, $3.00; graham, $2.50; superfine, $2.15 per barrel.
Oats—Choice white, 34@35c; choice gray, 35c per bushel.
Barley—Feed barley, $16@16.50; brewing, $18.00@19.00 per ton.
Millstuffs—Bran, $17 per ton; middlings, $22; shorts, $18; chop, $16 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, $9@11; clover, $7@8; Oregon wild hay, $6@7 per ton.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 50@55c; seconds, 42½@45c; dairy, 37½@40c; store, 25@35c.
Eggs—18@20c per dozen.
Cheese—Oregon full cream, 13c; Young America, 14c; new cheese 10c per pound.
Poultry—Chickens, mixed, $3.00@3.50 per dozen; hens, $4.50; springs, $2.00@3.50; geese, $7.00@8.50 for old; $4.50@6.50 for young; ducks, $4.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 14@15c per pound.
Potatoes—50@60c per sack; sweets, 2@2¼c per pound.
Vegetables—Beets, $1; turnips, 90c; per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cauliflower, 75c per dozen; parsnips, $1; beans, 5@6c per pound; celery, 70@75c per dozen; cucumbers, 50c per box; peas, 3@4c per pound; tomatoes, 75c per box; green corn, 12½@15c per dozen.
Hops—8@11c; 1898 crop, 5@6c.
Wool—Valley, 12@13c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8@14c; mohair, 27@30c per pound.
Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 3½c; dressed mutton, 6½@7c per pound; lambs, 7½c per pound.
Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, $5.00; light and feeders, $4.50; dressed, $5.50@6.00 per 100 pounds.
Beef—Gross, top steers, $3.50@4.00; cows, $3@3.50; dressed beef, 6½@7¼c per pound.
Veal—Large, 6½@7½c; small, 8@8½c per pound.

San Francisco Market.

Wool—Spring—Nevada, 12@15c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12@16c; Valley, 20@22c; Northern, 10@12c.
Hops—1899 crop, 11@12c per pound.
Onions—Yellow, 75@85c per sack.
Butter—Fancy creamery 24@25c; do seconds, 22@24c; fancy dairy, 21@22c; do seconds, 19@20c per pound.
Eggs—Store, 25@27c; fancy ranch, 36c.
Millstuffs — Middlings, $17.00@20.00; bran, $14@15.00.
Hay—Wheat $7.00@10; wheat and oat $7.50@9.00; best barley $5.00@7.50; alfalfa, $5.00@7.50 per ton; straw, 35@45c per bale.
Potatoes—Early Rose, $1-00; Oregon Burbanks, 60c@1.10; river Burbanks, 45@75c; Salinas Burbanks, $1.00@1.25 per sack.
Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, $2.75@3.25; Mexican limes, $4.00@5.00; California lemons 75c@$1.50; do choice $1.75@2.00 per box.
Tropical Fruits—Bananas, $1.50@2.50 per bunch; pineapples, nominal; Persian dates, 6@6½c per pound.

The Marriageable Age.

A spinster who is still living in hope says the marriageable age is anywhere between the seminary and the cemetery.—Chicago Daily News.

The Typewriter Invention.

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His Misfortune.

Teacher—Try to remember this: Milton, the poet, was blind. Do you think you can remember it?

Bobby Smart—Yes, ma'am.

"Now, what was Milton's great misfortune?"

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