

THE DEATH OF THE OLD YEAR.

BY BARTLEY CAMPBELL.
I. They say the old year died last night.
And I do believe it's so;
For the mountains stream
As a glassy green.

FOR DEAR LIFE.
New Year's eve some thirty years ago
—and we were keeping it right merrily
at the old manor-house of Stor Aswan.

So in dancing, feasting and merry-making
the clock sped on until a few hours
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A NEW PILGRIM'S PROGRESS.

1620—Lands on Plymouth Rock, and sets up for himself.
1621—Keeps Thanksgiving—in no danger of ever eating.
1622—Builds a Meeting-House.

1623—Proclaims a Fast Day.
1624—Cries down a May Day Merry Mount, as a rebuke to vain recreations.
1625—Is crowded for accommodations, and the Pilgrims' new farm on Cornhill.

1626—Makes war on the Antinomians, and the Pequod Indians, and whips both.
1627—Starts a College.
1628—Sets up a Printing Press.
1629—Goes into a Confederacy—The first Colonial Congress.

1630—Lays down the Cambridge Platform.
1631—Is rebuked for "intolerable excess and profanity of speech," and forbidden to wear gold and silver lace, or other such gewgaw.
1632—Coins Pine Tree Shillings—and makes the business profitable.

1633—Prints a Bible for the Indians.
1634—Buys a "hand-up" Clock and occasionally carries a silver watch that helps him guess the time of day.
1635—Tastes Coffee as a luxury, and has it on hand.

1636—Constructs another Platform—this time at Saybrook.
1637—Begins to sip Tea—very sparingly.
1638—Writes a letter in his first Postoffice.
1639—Eats a Potatoe once in a while.

1640—Buys a "hand-up" Clock and occasionally carries a silver watch that helps him guess the time of day.
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1642—Is rebuked by Witches again, at Salem; but gets the better of them.

1643—Fires his hand up at the Witches, which, at last settles down at New Haven.
1644—Prints his first Newspaper, in Boston.
1645—Tastes Coffee as a luxury, and has it on hand.

Current Paragraphs.

The mosquito is a very domestic insect—he's always at "hum."
A HARRISBURG landlady recently cowed a non-paying boarder.

The Livingston memorial fund at Glasgow has already reached \$8,500. The sum to be raised is \$10,000.
A cool half million is wanted for rifling smooth-bore guns. No doubt Congress will pass any such ordinance.

DR. MARY WALKER'S life is said to be one continual struggle to keep her pants hitched up without the aid of suspenders.
GRANT and macadam pavements are to be abolished in the streets of London, and only asphaltum or wood is to be used in the future.

FATHER BISHOP, a Massachusetts spiritualist, predicts confidently that in six years there will not be a wicked person in existence.
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT has written a letter declining a national grant for his relief because of the condition of Italian finances. He expresses gratitude to Parliament.

GERBERT SMITH, says the Boston Transcript, was not unlike our late Senator, Charles Sumner, in many respects. He was a commanding presence, an open, serene countenance, a good speaker, clothing by no means fashionable, but ample and befitting, a turn-down collar and loose necktie, graceful in his movements.

The Zurich Cremation Society now counts upwards of 600 members, and has lately given evidence of a resolve to bring its views to a practical bearing. It has opened negotiations with Prof. Siemens, of Dresden, for the construction of a furnace for consuming the bodies.

The Alta California says: "The Nevada bullion product last year was \$31,660,620; in the first six months of the present year, \$16,073,483, and the half of the year will exceed that sum for last year, or 1875."
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