

CHRISTMAS.

By JULIA M. DEWE. Ring out from your brazen throats O Christmas bells, your gladdest notes!

A GHOST.

Love, will you let me in? I am knocking at the door, Love, can I shelter you warm?

Taking the Editors.

He was an exceedingly picturesque-looking individual. His hair fell in heavy masses over his shoulders, and a very broad slouched hat crowned his large head.

"When did it blow in?" asked the dramatic editor, stepping forward and gazing curiously at the artist.

"Ah, Wilde, old man," cried the artist, catching sight of him, "really beg your pardon; likeness so strong to my friend, Sir, you shall be my test sitter."

"Only five minutes each, gentlemen, and we will have a gallery of portraits to be proud of," said the artist.

"Never accept anything but oil paintings," said the art critic.

"Delighted," said the artist, "I'll just let you have a couple of X's for a good portrait of that—"

"What!" said Berger, looking up and recognizing his old barber, "are you selling nuts?"

"Oh, sir, if you could only tell me something better to do!" returned the barber with a sigh.

Berger was touched. He reflected a moment, then, tearing a leaf from his memorandum-book, he wrote for a few moments, and handed it to the man.

Hebrew, Elohim or Eloah. Chaldaic, Eloh. Assyrian, Eloh. Syriac and Turkish, Alah. Malay, Alla. Arabic, Allah.

"Well, said, 'has the holy name of God brought you good luck?"

THE DYING HENDRICKS.—There is a quiet laugh at the expense of big doctors in Indianapolis. Ex-senator Hendricks was recently reported critically ill of erysipelas, with gangrenous symptoms, certain, the great doctors of Indianapolis and Louisville said, to carry him to a speedy death.

Sauce for Meats.—An appetizing hot sauce for meats is made by taking one can of tomatoes and adding to it two onions chopped fine, a teaspoonful of Cayenne pepper, cinnamon, cloves, salt, and a little nutmeg to suit the taste.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS.

Macedoine of Grapes.—A fine bunch of Hamburg or of Malaga grapes is very pretty incorporated whole into a clear champagne jelly.

Salmon with Lobster Sauce.—Salmon served with lobster sauce is considered delectable by the epicure. If the salmon is fresh, boil it until it is tender, wrap it in a cloth.

Buckwheat Cakes.—Buckwheat cakes with Indian meal added are recommended as a pleasant change from the plain buckwheat.

Stewed Apples.—Pare smoothly half a dozen good-sized tart apples; scoop out the cores; boil the apples in sugar and water until they are soft enough to be pierced with a broom-handle.

Chicken Pie with Oysters.—Boil the chicken—a year old is best—until tender; drain off the liquor from a quart of oysters; boil, skim, line the sides of a dish with a rich crust; put in a layer of chicken, then a layer of raw oysters, and repeat until the dish is filled.

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