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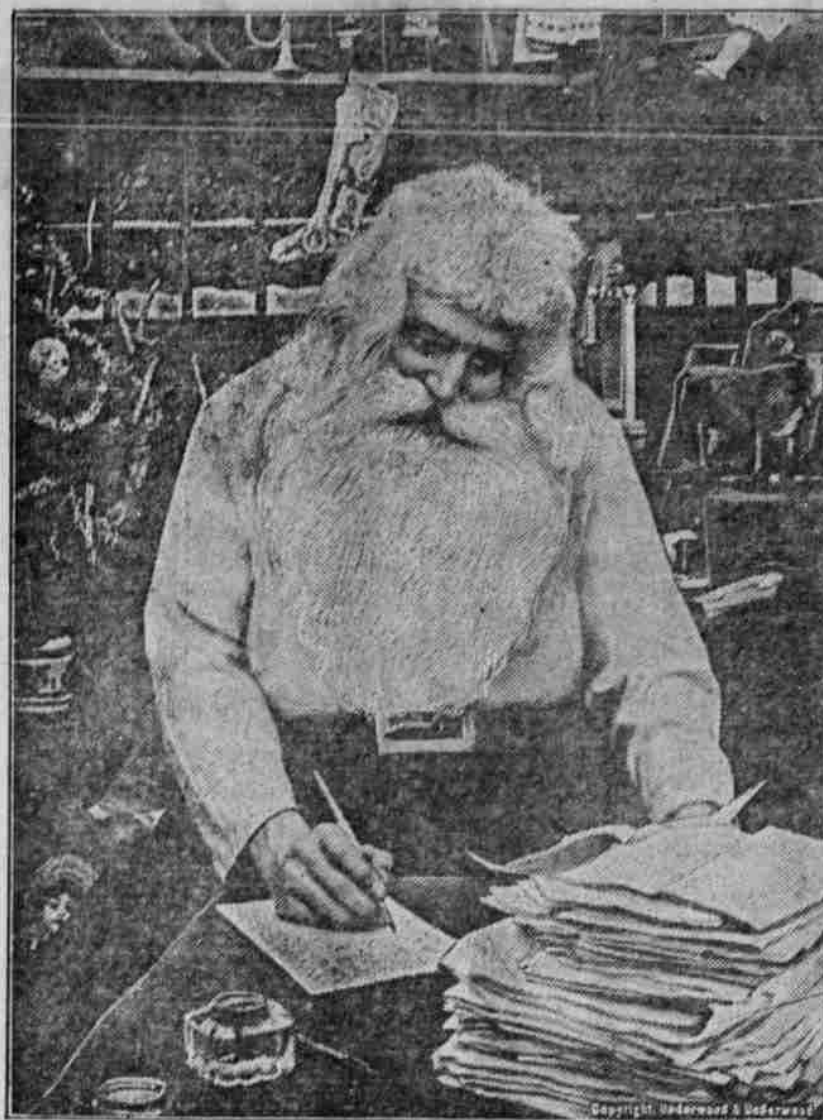
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CHRISTMAS IN COLONIAL DAYS

Interesting Account of an Old-Time Celebration.

Men Wore Their Hair in Curis and Such Games as "Green Grow the Rushes, O." Furnished Amusement.



GLIMPSE of an old-fashioned celebration of the Christmas season is preserved in a diary of a guest of Maj. Gen. William Lloyd, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, who recounts the good cheer of his household in the old homestead at Westerville, N. Y. The house is standing, and is still occupied during a part of the summer by some of his descendants. In those early days of the republic the journey from New York by sleigh took ten days.

In preparation for the coming festivities, the diarist notes that the keeping room (as the main room was then called), which today would be called the parlor, or drawing room, was trimmed elaborately with spruce and cedar branches, there being no holly growing in that region. Roses made of tissue paper, in red, pink and white, were plentifully distributed through the evergreen decorations.

The roses were made by two young women guests, Miss Catherine Floyd and Miss Mary Floyd, who were engaged to be married to James Madison and Thomas Jefferson, afterwards presidents of the United States. They were assisted in entertaining guests during the day by the Misses Wiggins, neighbors of the general. Among other guests, Bishop Whipple and a fellow clergyman were present, as well as the dance of the diarist.

The festivities began Christmas Eve, and all the family hung up their stockings in front of the huge kitchen fireplace. The illumination was that of tallow candles in silver and brass candlesticks. Miss Catherine Floyd had expected her fiancé, James Madison (as was jotted down in the diary), and was greatly disappointed at his not coming. He sent, by way of a Christmas gift, a full-length likeness of Gen. George Washington, framed, which was brought by a neighbor returning home from New York.

The merry-making was at its height Christmas Eve, all sorts of then fashionable and popular games, such as "Hunt the Slipper," "Blind Man's Buff," and "Green Grow the Rushes, O." being indulged in by the young people until 10 o'clock, at which hour sharply General Floyd closed the house.

That in keeping early hours he was not altogether arbitrary appears when we learn that the breakfast Christmas morning was at early candle light. The diary says: "It was so early, and I

had to take my curl-papers out, so I am sure my hair will not curl at all."

The gay young people gathered in the immense kitchen after breakfast was served, to examine the stockings that Santa Claus was expected to have left in prosperous condition. Of her gifts the diarist remarks: "Such beautiful gifts I have never received away from my home. Some beautiful mink skins, sufficient to make my winter fur and muff, from dear General Floyd, taken from animals caught in a trap near the milk house, Baxter's 'Saints' Rest,' and a nice volume of Watts' hymns from Mrs. Floyd, a white velvet pincushion, painted with roses and leaves, from Catherine, and a pretty collar of lace footing from Mary. My dearly beloved gave me a ruby ring, the emblem of eternal fidelity and love." The "dearly beloved" became her husband a few months later.

"Christmas Day was indeed a joyful one; after we had seen all our gifts, all the young people went to the hill back of the house and coasted for two hours on the hard crust of ice and snow; the distance from the top of the hill to the gulf ravine was nearly a mile."

WHEN THE YULE LOG BURNED

Pretty Customs of Former Times That Surrounded That Necessary Feature of Christmas.

The Yule log on the fireplace roared. The whole hall was aglow. The great hounds lay before the blaze, dreaming of stag and boar.

One of the prettiest sights of the old-time Christmas must have been that of the Yule log being drawn homeward, surrounded with joyous laughing children, shouting merry greeting to each wayfarer as he doffed his hat in reverence to the log so full of good promises whose flames had the power to burn out old wrongs and heartburnings. On the arrival of the log at the "baronial hall" it was customary for each member of the family to greet it in fitting manner either in verse or song.

In some parts of France there was also the custom of the Christmas log, although there has been a different significance. There the log had suspended from each end the toys, cakes and fruits for the children of the house. These were the gifts Petit Maulet or Christmas child was said to have brought.

In the mountain districts of Germany the Christmas log was supposed to have the power of warding off dangers from lightning and was kept beneath the bed of the master of the house from one Christmas till the next, when it was used to light the new log. On Christmas eve all lights and fires were extinguished in the house and a piece of the last year's wood was taken to the neighboring church, where it was lighted at the flames of the sanctuary light, signifying the new light that had come into the world on this night.

Beauclieu on National Debts.

M. Beauclieu declares that the world at the present time is badly governed; that it is in the hands of incurable prodigals and improvident experimenters. As proof of this position he points to the public debts of all countries, which show a decided tendency to multiply, not by reason of stress of extraordinary circumstances, such as war or national disaster, but because the credit of nations is extended to enterprises which should remain within the field of private endeavor.

explained.

"My husband is always cracking up the virtue of his first wife," said Mrs. Hinkley, with a sigh. "Though as a matter of fact they got on very badly."

"Perhaps he understands her better now that she has been translated," said Mrs. Wiggs.—Harper's Weekly.

Lifes Continuous Demand.

The more you pour out, the more you can take in; the higher you think, the wider the vision, the greater the struggle, the stronger the muscle. To the man or woman who takes it seriously, all life is a continuous demand.—R. J. Campbell.

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To the Rescue.

"I am at present devoting a good deal of time to the Bacon-Shakespeare controversy," said Old Ed. Howe, writing in his own magazine. "Think of the absurdity of it," he continues. We do. Our notion of nothing to get excited about is this Shakespeare controversy.

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Puzzled the Small Mind.

Little Margaret noticed her mother measuring cloth by holding it up to her nose with one hand and reaching out her arm's length with the other. She looked thoughtful for a moment, then asked: "How can you measure cloth that way? Can you smell a yard?"

Peace.

Nothing in the world is worth the loss of thy peace; even the faults which thou hast committed should only humble and not disgust thee. God is full of joy and peace and happiness. Endeavor then to obtain a continually joyful and peaceful spirit.—J. Tersteegen.

Water in bluing is adulteration. Glass and water make liquid blue costly. Buy Red Cross Ball Blue, makes clothes whiter than snow.

Hidden Treasure.

A diseased cow was removed from a dairy farm in New York by the state veterinarian and killed and dissected. In its stomach was found a gold watch with a gold chain attached to it. The watch had been lost several months before by a boarder on the dairy farm.

Famous Sentence.

A correspondent who inquires as to where the famous summary of Webster's career by Rufus Choate may be found—the sentence being omitted from some of the collections which publish the speech—is referred to "The Works of Rufus Choate," by S. G. Brown. The sentence contains 1,259 words.

"Right O!"

Burning the candle at both ends is one way of making both ends meet.—B. M. C.

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Plenty for All.

Don't be too generous with the sermon; what you take for yourself is no preparation of another.—Christian Herald.

Forced Gaily Palls.

People of the greatest gaily of manners are often the dullest company imaginable. Nothing is so dreary as the conversation or writing of the professed wag.—Herald.

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Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

Surely Had Forgotten Something.

An Eastbourne, Sussex (England) woman recently started on a railway journey with the uneasy feeling that she had forgotten something. This turned out to be correct, for she had to take the next train back to pick up her child, which she had left on the station platform.

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Fairy Tales Banned in Austria.

The fairy tales of Grimm and of Hans Christian Andersen are excluded from the Austrian schools by a recent order, "because of their slight importance."

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Technical.

Mrs. Jax—"What's the difference between a kleptomaniac and the garden variety of robber?" Jax—"Merely a difference in the price of their lawyers."

Matter of Diet.

"How do you tell the difference between a yacht and a sailboat?" said the girl with the inquiring mind. "By lookin' into the pantry," replied Captain Cleet. "If she carries plenty of refreshments and seagars, she's a yacht. If it's mostly plain victuals she's a sailboat."—Washington Star.

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