

A PSALM FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE.

A friend stands at the door; In either light or shadow...

O, good New Year, we clap The warmest hand of cheer...

O, New Year, teach us faith! The road of life is hard...

Yet hang some lamp-like hope Above this unknown way...

Comfort our souls with love, Love of all human kind...

Friends come then like a friend, And whether bright or fair...

THE NEW YEAR'S PARTY.

"Then you won't go, Alice?" "No, Herbert—I'm so sorry—but the baby!"

"O, hang the baby!" and Herbert flung out of the room...

Alice stood looking at the door, growing whiter and whiter...

She had looked forward so long to going to this New Year's party...

"Pray don't stumble," said his wife petulantly, for from that moment the grand repose of his manner was gone...

"How the dickens came she here?" he muttered to himself...

"I should think you might, rather," was the nonchalant reply.

"Pray how did you come?" "Well, but—"

"Excuse me, I'm engaged four deep, already," and Herbert was forced to move aside...

"I'd like to know that fellow down," he muttered, angry in earnest.

Another pause, and another tele-tele. No satisfaction given.

"About the baby, Alice?" he asked, anxiously.

Her imagination, always too vivid, viewed him in the midst of his triumphs...

"He didn't want me to go," she cried; "he acted as if he didn't, and then he pretended to throw all the blame on dear, helpless baby."

"O, Mabel!" cried Alice, staring to her feet with a glad cry.

"But where's Herbert? In the study?" said Mabel, at last.

"All the light went out of her sister's eyes; her hands fell.

"Of course I didn't," she said, "but I think of coming, as you know, for a month."

"O, I'm so glad!" "And then Paul's coming," she said, blushing.

"What! Is Herbert at a party?" "Yes, he is; and when I told him I couldn't go on account of the baby, he said, 'Hang baby—!'"

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Uses of Paper.

A complete list of articles made of paper would be a very curious one, and almost every day it becomes more so.

Among other things exhibited last year at the Berlin Exhibition were paper umbrellas, "brozzes," urns, asphalt roofs, paper coats, caps, and hats.

It is not surprising, therefore, that a church-tower near by; and instances of this kind frequently cause no little comment in the way of comparison.

The reason for this is that the small bell has a sharp, shrill, penetrating sound, that must, of necessity, be heard a great deal farther, in proportion to its weight, than the low, mellow, "choclo-gong" sound of the tower bell.

Articles of this kind, which have just now perhaps the greatest interest, and which are among the latest novelties in this way, are the paper umbrellas.

Attention has frequently been called to the value of ordinary sheets of paper as a substitute for bed clothes, or at least, as an addition to bed-clothes.

The average man measures about five feet three and one-half inches. The weight of the average male adult is 140 pounds.

The human skeleton consists of more than 200 distinct bones. There are more than 500 separate muscles in the body and an equal number of nerves and blood vessels.

Each respiratory duct is one-fourth of an inch in length, which will make the aggregate length of the whole about 100 miles.

Every adult man has 1,400 square feet of lungs; or, rather, the mucous membrane lining the air cells of his lungs, if spread upon a smooth plane would cover an extent of 1,400 square feet.

About two-thirds of a pint of air is inhaled at each breath in ordinary respiration. The capacity of the lungs is about 320 cubic inches.

A man breathes eighteen times a minute, and uses 3,000 cubic feet, or about 375 hogheads of air per hour. The weight of the heart is from eight to twelve ounces. It beats 100,000 times in twenty-four hours.

An amount of blood equal to the whole quantity of the body passes through the heart every minute. The stomach secretes daily from one to nine pounds of gastric juice for the digestion of the food; its capacity is about five pints.

A Farmer Who Robbed His Boy. Last spring says the Mirror and Times, a farmer found in his flock a lamb which he took to his own house.

The boy called it his all summer, and the farmer called it his all winter. The boy called it his all summer, and the farmer called it his all winter.

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FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

—To clean skin, rub on fresh lard with a cloth, and wipe dry.

—A French chemist asserts that if you brew like coffee immediately before hot water is poured upon it, it will yield nearly double the amount of exhilarating qualities.

—A writer truly says that there is no end to the uses of the farm yard, and it is not surprising that the farm or to judge of the success of the owner.

—Hickory-Nut Cake.—One and one-half cups of sugar, three eggs, one cup of raisins, one cup of hickory-nut meats, one teaspoonful of soda, two of cream tartar, and enough flour to make stiff batter.

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Consumption Cured.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure for Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful efficacy in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellow creatures, and he is now sending free of charge to all who desire it, a full and complete treatise on the subject, with full directions for preparing and using the same.

Our Progress.—As stages and progress are quickly abandoned with the completion of railroads, so the huge, drastic, cathartic pills, composed of crude and bulky medicines, are quickly abandoned with the introduction of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative, which are sugar-coated, and little larger than mustard seeds, but composed of highly concentrated vegetable extracts, and are warranted to cure all irregularities of stomach, liver and bowels. Sold by druggists.

An Old Lady's Gratitude.—A lady seventy years of age expresses great gratitude for the benefit she has derived from Warner's Safe Bitters, and declares her belief that the remedy is a certain specific for dyspepsia.

The Golden Chamber of Rockford, Ill., is deservedly a most successful family paper, being unsectarian, free from advertising, and containing a wealth of interesting and useful information. A postal card will bring a sample copy free.

VEGETINE is now acknowledged by our best physicians to be the only safe and sure remedy for all diseases arising from impure blood, such as scrofula and syphilis. Hints.

Chew Jackson's Best Sweet Navy Tobacco.

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THE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. WHEAT—No. 1 Red Winter, 1 1/4; No. 2 Red Winter, 1 1/4; No. 1 White Winter, 1 1/4; No. 2 White Winter, 1 1/4.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. CORN—No. 1 Yellow, 50; No. 2 Yellow, 48; No. 1 White, 50; No. 2 White, 48.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. RICE—No. 1, 10; No. 2, 9; No. 3, 8; No. 4, 7.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. SUGAR—No. 1, 12; No. 2, 11; No. 3, 10; No. 4, 9.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. COFFEE—No. 1, 15; No. 2, 14; No. 3, 13; No. 4, 12.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. TEA—No. 1, 20; No. 2, 18; No. 3, 16; No. 4, 14.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. SPICES—No. 1, 10; No. 2, 9; No. 3, 8; No. 4, 7.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. OILS—No. 1, 15; No. 2, 14; No. 3, 13; No. 4, 12.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. FLOUR—No. 1, 10; No. 2, 9; No. 3, 8; No. 4, 7.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. MATCHES—No. 1, 15; No. 2, 14; No. 3, 13; No. 4, 12.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27, 1879. TOBACCO—No. 1, 10; No. 2, 9; No. 3, 8; No. 4, 7.

NEW MUSIC BOOKS.

Parlor Organ Instruction Book. (NEW.) A. N. JOHNSON, This very easy, thorough and complete instruction book for the Parlor Organ, is the best ever published. It contains all the necessary information for the student to play on a grand scale. It includes the theory and practice of the instrument, and is adapted to the most popular styles of music. Price, 75 cents. Sent by mail on receipt of the price.

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