

NEW YEAR

of jolly old New Amsterdam made the advent day of the coming year the happiest of the annus.

When the English came to New York they continued the ancient custom, which helped to cement the good fellowship that has since prevailed between the two races.

In fact, it was considered a duty he owed to society and to his hostess to drink whenever he was asked and fill the bumpers up to the brim.



A NEW YEAR'S CALL IN OLD NEW YORK.

Increased in popularity and the calling acquaintances of the people in magnitude. The fair New Yorkers entered into friendly rivalries with one another as to who should receive the largest number of callers.

The "upper crust" celebrate New Year at their country homes. Occasionally a solitary caller may be seen walking through a fashionable avenue anxiously looking for a house where he once was a welcome visitor in order to pay his annual respects, but nothing greets him but closed doors and windows.

Because the fad has become passe with the fashionables it does not follow that there is no calling done. The so-called common people keep up the ancient custom and look forward to it for half the year.

In times gone by it was one of the pleasantest of customs, and many who condemn it secretly hope that it may yet be revived with the unpleasant features left out.

The New Year. Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky, The flying cloud, the frosty light, The year is dying in the night.

Ring out the old; ring in the new. Ring, happy bells, across the snow. The year is going, let him go. Ring out the false; ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind For those that here we see no more. Ring out the feud of rich and poor; Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin, The faithless coldness of the times; Ring out, ring out, my mournful rimes; But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood, The civic slander and the spite; Ring in the love of truth and right; Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease; Ring out the narrowing lust of gold; Ring out the thousand wars of old; Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free, The larger heart, the kinder hand; Ring out the darkness of the land; Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Modern Philanthropist. "Why are you sobbing, my little man?" "My pa's a millionaire philanthropist."

"Well, well, that's nothing to cry about." "It ain't, ain't it? He's just promised to give me \$5 to spend at Christmas provided I raise a similar amount."

\$200,000 For New Year's Candy. New Year's day in France generally is observed with the giving of presents, a custom Americans observe very slightly.

Fit His Case Exactly. "When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark.

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A Wartime New Year's Day Experience

ON New Year's morning, 1864, when the thermometer was below zero, probably the most undisciplined body of troops in the whole Union army marched into camp at Martinsburg, W. Va.

The infantry and the citizens of Martinsburg gathered around and stared at these troops in wonder. This was General Averill's command, four regiments of cavalry and a battery that had just returned from the Salem raid.

On our retreat a dozen or more Confederate brigades were after us and tried to head us off at every crossroad. At Covington, Va., after the bridge over Jackson river was burned, our regiment, the Fourteenth Pennsylvania cavalry, which was the rear guard, and a few dismounted men of other regiments that were with the wagon train were surrounded on the south side of the river.

Our retreat we traveled through a severe snowstorm and slid down icy mountains. Our artillery was saved by pulling it over the mountains with ropes.

Our brigade lost on this raid killed, drowned, frozen and captured, 146 men and five officers.

A few men were so badly frozen that they died shortly afterward. Thus on that New Year's morning we were cold, hungry, tired, sleepy, dirty and shabby.

An Egyptian New Year's Greeting. The following from Maspero's Guide to the Cairo Museum of Antiquities is of timely interest, showing how the scarab was identified with New Year's celebration in ancient Egypt.

"The Egyptians worshipped the scarab from the most remote antiquity, for it seems that in the beginning it was considered as being one of the shapes of the soul itself. So the image of it was multiplied in order to assure to living and dead alike a continuance of being, and like all religious emblems held in general esteem, it was used as a motif of ornamentation in jewelry.

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