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Experiments to reproduce dead men's features from their skulls are being made in Germany. The method pursued is that proposed by the late Professor Hi of Leipzig to reconstruct the face of John Sebastian Bach. At the University of Graz the skulls of criminals who have been executed are used. Casts of these will be taken in plaster and given to different persons to treat according to the rules laid down. The results will then be compared with one another, and with photographs of the original owners of the skulls, taken either before or after death. Should they prove at all successful in obtaining a resemblance there is likely to be a painful rummaging among the bones of the great men of the past.

The fire department of New York has just tested with successful results the use of rubber tires for the heaviest fire engines. Hose carts have for a considerable time been using this new convenience, but the proposal to equip the large engines with it was looked upon with grave doubt. A five-ton "steamer" was at last experimented with, and at the first alarm thereafter it glided to the scene of the fire as smoothly as a bicycle. The officials of the department are highly pleased with the results of the test, and a general equipment of rubber tires will probably result in a brief time.

Cleanliness is next to Godliness—use Diamond "C" Soap in the laundry.

A temperance association composed of members of the Six Nations, is doing much to check intemperance among the Indians.

A carrier pigeon service was established by the Turks, A. D., 567.

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THE CHRIST-CHILD.

HIS world has whirled on in its way
For nineteen hundred years,
Since Bethlehem's babe, who came in Love,
Wept over us His tears.

Still swings above the golden star
That on that night stood still
Above the humble village inn,
By the Judaean rill.

And wise men seek the path today
The crowned Magi found—
The mother heart of womanhood
Makes that, Earth's holy ground.

The singing angels hover now
Above the manger, there.
Where God's light shone upon His brow,
The Prince of Peace so fair!

The wondrous story, never old,
Thrills on the wakened heart,
Who led us to His Heavenly Fold,
Who walked from men apart.

Awake, today, in spirit strain,
The song that never dies!
Find out that glittering star again,
The scales dropped from our eyes!

For God's dear love is potent now
As when His reign began;
The chanting of the seraph band
Shames restless heart of man.

Here, in our midst, the Heavenly Dove
Seeks an eternal rest;
Descending from His throne above
To hide within each breast.

Wake! Better Natures, sleeping long!
Cast off the thralls of sin!
List to the choiring angels' song
And let the White Dove in!

Mute by the graves of vanished hates,
Greet all in love today!
Lift up your brows with hearts elate,
And meet Him on our way!

—Richard Henry Savage.

WHERE did the Christmas tree originate? This is a question that doubtless would puzzle most people to answer. It came to us from England, and it is pretty well settled that it was taken there from Germany, for the custom of setting up a tree hung with gifts at Yule-tide was by no means universal in Britain until after the marriage of Queen Victoria to a German prince.

But prior to this there was a sort of Christmas tree in England. The "Wassail bob," a bunch of holly or other evergreens on a pole, decked with ribbons and hung with oranges and apples, and sometimes bearing a pair of dolls, was carried about in Yorkshire at Christmas nearly a century ago. And until 1830 the "besant" was escorted by a procession with music at Shaftesbury—it being a tree-shaped framework covered with ribbons, flowers and peacock feathers, on which were hung jewels, coins and other articles of value, loaned by the local gentry. Hutchins' history of Dorset states in 1868 that the decorations of this "besant," or "byzant," or "beson," as it was variously called, were sometimes worth as much as £1,500.

These and kindred customs prevailing in the England of a century ago are generally regarded by archaeologists as survivals of tree worship, which seems to have existed everywhere.

Germany probably received the tree from Scandinavia, where the ancient legend tells of "Yggdrasil," the ash, which binds together heaven, earth and hell; its branches spreading over the whole world, and reaching above the sky; its roots running in three directions, one to the Asa gods in heaven, one to the Frost giants, and the third to the under-world.

In the far East, Japanese sacred books, written a dozen centuries ago, relate how the gods pulled up by the roots on the mountain Kager the Saka tree, on the branches of which they hung jewels, a mirror and blue and white peace offerings to the shining goddess of the heavens.

The Hindoo Parijata and Kalpavriksha yielded all the objects of the desires of gods and mortals, and so, too, did the Iranian Harvisptokhm, "the tree of all the seeds."

At cremation ceremonies in Buddhist Siam a framework representing a tree, to which are tied limes and nutshells containing money and lottery tickets, occupies a prominent place, and after the rites these "fruits," which are called "karaphruk," are scrambled for by the crowd.

In Upper India the scavenger caste carry in processions, in honor of their god Zahir, a bamboo framework decked with bright colored cloths and pea-

"THE WASSAIL BOB."

cock feathers, and hung with fans and bunches of cocoa nuts.

Lucian described trees covered with ornaments and sacred attributes which were brought each year to be burnt offerings to the goddess Atergatis at Hierapolis of Syria; and he told also of great trees, loaded with goats, sheep, garments and gold and silver objects which were burned before the Syro-Phoenician gods.

Conventional, or "made-up" trees are pictured on Babylonian cylinders, and one of the bilingual hymns translated by Prof. Sayce describes how the "Place of the Tree" (of which these pictured trees were undoubtedly symbols) is the central spot of the earth, while its fruits—obviously the stars—are of brilliant crystal and reach into the liquid vast."

The pine of Cybele and Attis is still to be seen on the ancient bas reliefs, hung with bells, a reed flute, a wheel and other objects, and there are sacred birds among the branches and a ram and a bull standing beneath, ready for sacrifice.

Pictures and other votive objects were attached to the laurel of Apollo.

Summing up all the evidence, it certainly seems that the Christmas tree hung with gifts has descended to us from the times when decorated trees laden with offerings were worshiped as representatives of the abstract "Universe tree," whose trunk was the cosmic axis, whose roots were in the under-world, and whose branches, lifted aloft into the skies, bore up the heavenly hosts.

The custom of decorating the churches with greenery at Christmas had its origin in a pagan ceremony. The great feast of Saturn was held in December, when the worshipers hung the temple with such green things as they could find; and the Christians adopted the same method to celebrate the birth of the Savior, giving it an emblematic turn by referring to the "righteous branch," and justifying it from Isaiah 55: 13—"The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree and the box together to beautify the place of my sanctuary."

The holly, or holy tree, is called Christ's thorn in Germany and Scan-

FROM A BASRELIEF.

dinavia, from its use in church decorations and its putting forth its berries at Christmas time.

Don't give a drum to the children of your enemy, who works nights. A watchman's rattle is just as good, and it is cheaper.

CHRISTMAS CAROL.

Hark! those strains, so sweetly falling,
On that festal morn!
To our hearts are they recalling,
Christ, our King, was born.
He has come to give a blessing
To the poor, the sad;
He has come with kind caressing,
Making children glad.

Chorus:

Hark! those strains so sweetly falling,
On that festal morn;
To our heart they are recalling,
Christ, our King, was born.

Hie we to the lowly manger,
At the village inn;
Let us greet the wondrous stranger
Saving all from sin;
Let us bring a royal treasure,
Like the wise of old;
Love sincere and without measure,
Better far than gold.
Chorus.—Hark, etc.

What though wintry winds are blowing
Leaves from off the tree;
And no more the flocks are lowing,
On the upland lea;
Christ each little lamb is tending,
Folding it with care;
From the storms of life defending,
From its chilling air.
Chorus.—Hark, etc.

May those angels, at the dawning,
Singing in the sky,
Ever with a kindly warning
Bid the tempter fly.
When no more on earth is given
Joy like this today,
May such messengers of heaven
Bear our souls away.
Chorus.—Hark, etc.

THE YULE LOG.

Christmas day in the primitive church was always observed as the Sabbath day, and, like that preceded by an Eve, or Vigil. Hence our present Christmas Eve. On the night of this Eve, people were wont to light up candles of an uncommon size, called Christmas candles, and lay a log of wood upon the fire, called a Yule log or Christmas block, to illuminate the house, and, as it were, to turn night into day. This custom is still kept up in the north of England. The size of these logs of wood, which were in fact great trees, may be imagined from the fact that in the time of the civil wars of the last century, Capt. Hosier burnt the house of Mr. Barker of Haghmond Abbey, near Shrewsbury, by setting fire to the Yule log. At the bringing in of the Yule log at Christmas Eve in the ancient castle of England, the great hall of the castle was profusely decorated with ivy and holly berries. As soon as the log was lighted the Christmas festivities began. The servants were then given a general holiday and did not go to bed at all, but rambled about until the church bells called them to prayer at 12 o'clock. The word Yule signifies Christmas, which was called in the Latin or Western church the Feast of Lights, because they used many lights or candles at its celebration in honor of Christ, the Light of all Lights.

Some Holiday Hints.

Don't outgrow Christmas.

Don't forget that the people whom you owe like to make presents, too.

Don't think that you are too poor to keep Christmas. You can't be so poor as all that.

Don't give presents that are a pleasure for ten minutes, and a burden and a worry for ten years.

Don't spend so much on Christmas that you can't get even with the butcher and the grocer until March.

Don't—you women—don't buy neckties for your men-folks. Don't encourage them in being bigger guys than necessary.

Don't give your wife something she doesn't care for, just because you want it yourself. This "don't" works the other way just as well.

Don't put off buying your presents until the afternoon before Christmas, unless you are of a sociable disposition and are easily satisfied.

Don't try to find the price-marks on the gifts you receive. If the gifts are worth having, they seem something above dollars and cents.

Don't forget that a basket of fruit or a box of flowers is just as nice a present, in many cases, as something that will last a good deal longer.

Don't forget the Bob Cratchits and the Tiny Tims—that is, unless you are unregenerate Old Scrooge, in which case forgetfulness can be explained.

Don't check off each gift you receive against each present that you gave, and calculate whether you made or lost. Christmas is not the time to be any smaller or meaner than you can help.

Don't waste any of your pity on the long-haired youths who lie at the bottom of the heap in football scrimmages. You will need all your pity yourself in the rush at the holiday counter.

I HEAR the winds that sweep the moor, I know the waves are high,
And far above the stormy coast doth bend an inky sky;
I'm waiting still to greet my boy who promised he would come
I've longed and waited many years,
I've watched the speechless sea,
But somewhere in the distance sails the Seagull far from me;
Each Christmastide I set his chair before the chestnut fire,
And wait for footsteps at the door to bring me my desire.

The rose has faded on the mead, and winter crowns the wold,
And in the village Christmas bells ring out the story old,
But dear to all the world, how in the soft and scented hay,
In Judah's land beloved by all, the gentle Christ-child lay.

I stir the fire and wait for Joe, for something unexpressed
Tells me that I shall feel again the hand so often blessed,
That from the tropics far away, or from the lands of snow
The missing ship will bring the boy who left me long ago.

The gulls are screaming where the waves in fury lash the shore,
And Christmas finds me all alone with sorrow at my door,
Yet in my heart there blooms a flow'r both delicate and fair—
The rope of Hope which angel hands have sweetly planted there.

Was that the storm king at my door? Or did I hear a hand?
Who comes to wish me well today o'er snowy sea and land?
This Christmas I would wait alone within my little home
For Joe, who told me with a kiss that some day he would come.

It was a knock, I ope the door. What stranger guest is this?
Unlike the tall and gallant youth whose cherished voice I miss.
What! back at last? it cannot be, yet 'tis his smile, I know,
And Christmas brings my darling home despite the swirling snow.

Aye, thro' the tempest and the sea he comes to keep his word,
And now I know that far above the widow's prayer was heard;
There steals into my little room a light like that which fell
Upon the plains of Bethlehem when watched the shepherds well.

I place him at the table and I look into his face,
The while the village bells ring out their hymns of peace and grace;
And Joe gives back the same old smile so full of love and joy,
The smile that made me happy when he was a little boy.

I read of Christmastides within the palaces of old,
Where kings and princes merry make beneath a cloth of gold;
But I would rather sit today within our little home,
And bless the God who brought me Joe across the crested foam.

—T. C. Harbaugh.

Meteorological Conditions.

"What is a green Christmas, sister Madge?"

"A green Christmas? Why, it is the time when a girl gets nine bunches of holly and only one box of candy."

Christmas—The Little Children.

We love little children. They are the future. No period of life is more full of interest than that of childhood. We watch the expanding mind of a fine boy as we do the unfolding of a flower. Childhood is the primrose season of life; and when we see a cluster of little innocent urchins around the hearth, if our wishes could be realized all their after days should be those of sunshine and happiness. We like children and sympathize in all their little griefs and share in all their hilarious and boisterous merriment. In this season of festivity they should never be forgotten. Send them early to bed on Christmas eve, on good terms with themselves and all the rest of the world, and then fill their suspended stockings for the bounties of St. Nicholas with trinkets and toys, and give them good and useful articles of the season. Oh, the pleasures of these offices! None but a parent ever did or ever can conceive them. Look at their bright and shining faces in the morning and read your reward in their astonishment and gratitude. Parents, neglect not your little folks at this season of the year. You purchase a large amount of happiness at a trifling cost. Never be unmindful of your duty in this respect. Please your children on proper occasions and they will please you in after life.

In the Beginning.

Scoldina (the wife)—What now, O slave of Bacchus, fool and knave? Already has the trickling sand marked on the glass' face the silent hour of four, and cock crow lustily without. Where hast thou been this night, the while I vainly sat and watched thy coming? Tankarius (the husband)—Nay, bear (hic) wish me, sweesh soul o' mine. The Conclave of (hic) the Grecian Cocktail held long session, and the hours sped (hic) ere I could away. Thash wot!—New York Journal.

At the swell dog show in New York recently, the fashionable owners stationed themselves all day beside their pets, in which way they not only showed the animal off to the very best advantage, but were able to draw extra notice to them. It became the habit to call upon the dogs. Small card receivers were as much the regulation appointments of the benches as the drinking dish, each visitor, as soon as she came up, depositing two cards, one for the dog and one for its mistress. All agreed that the new fashion was a howling success.

Aluminum bronze, which is likely to come more and more into use, is an alloy composed in Germany of 90 to 95 per cent of aluminum and 5 to 10 per cent of copper, of golden color, which keeps well in the air, without soon becoming dull and changing the color. It can be cast excellently, can be filled well and turned, possesses an extraordinary hardness and firmness, attains a high degree of polish, and is malleable and forgeable.

WESTERN CANADA PRAIRIES.

Future Welfare of the Continent Lies in Their Fertile Fields.

The rapid progress that is being made in the settlement of the fertile prairies of Western Canada is leading to the investigation of its resources by those interested in having provision made for those living in the crowded east, for those who have been struggling for years on impoverished farms, for the renter who is unable any longer to bear up under the strain imposed by the landlord, and for the farmer who, unable to purchase farms for his sons in his own neighborhood, has to look around for lower priced lands. The investigation shows that it is impossible to meet these conditions successfully outside of Western Canada. Already millions of bushels of wheat are being grown there each year, while as many as 50,000 head of cattle were shipped out this year. A representative of The Germania, Milwaukee, one of the leading German papers in the United States, recently made a trip through Manitoba, Assiniboia, Alberta and Saskatchewan, where lie the free government lands of Western Canada, and in a future issue will appear extracts from flattering letters contributed to the Germania and other papers by their special correspondents. As an inducement for immigrants to make their homes in Canada, the Canadian government offers 160 acres of land free of cost to any settler.

For further information apply to Canadian Government Agent, Department Interior, Ottawa, Canada, or to W. V. Bennett, 801 New York Life Building, Omaha, Neb.

Every one of the thirty-two senators and the sixty-eight representatives in the recently chosen Florida legislature is a democrat.

Iowa Patent Office Report.

Applications prepared and prosecuted by us for United States patents have been allowed, but not yet issued as follows:

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