





Old Father Time

By HARRY IRVING GREENE



Copyright, 1914. Western Newspaper Union.

I came with Space, and hand in hand,
We two sat here alone,
As two twin Kings of equal might
Sit side by side a throne.

Then age by age—a million years
We watched the Sun take form,
While through the void in endless count,
The Stars were being born.

The Years! I watched them come and go,
Till I could count no more,
The Old—the New—like falling rain,
Or sands upon a shore.

Old Father Time, he calls me now,
As close I glean my tithe,
I walk the Earth with silent tread,
Yet ever sweep my Scythe.

MAKE THESE RESOLUTIONS.

- I will take good care of my body.
I will have house cleaning in the house I live in.

HER NEW YEAR RESOLVE



ARE YOU GOING TO DO ANYTHING FOR THE NEW YEAR?
YES—YOU

BEGIN THE DAY WITH PRAYER

That, Above All, is the Highest and Best Resolve for the Conduct of Life.

To talk with God before I talk with men. To do my daily work with sunshine on my face and honey on my tongue.

WRITE ALL RIGHT.



"Do you know how to begin the New Year right?"

Aspiration carries one half the way to one's desire.—Elizabeth Gibson.

Guard Your Conversation. What a man wants to do, in talking with a stranger, is to get and to give as much of the best and most real life that belongs to the two talkers as the time will let him.

It never rains roses; when we want more roses, we must plant more bushes.—George Eliot.

Make your New Year's resolutions early.

The Beautiful Adventure

By Izola Forrester



It was a supreme test of friendship, visiting the Delmars on New Year's. Wrapped in her furs and with a cup emitting her collar, Winifred stood on the bleak little platform at Byers' Corners.

She had left Boston at 5:45—plenty of time to reach Windyheath in good time. Anne had written her. "It's just a nice little run over from Providence on the Providence and Wilmamantic line."

Evidently Rolf, Anne and the substitute had been overcome by the storm. Trains had been delayed from Boston to Providence and on the little local line they had waited again and again along the way.

It certainly was surprising, if nothing else, both the lure of the letter and the trip itself. Winifred went around the other side of the tiny station and heard voices.



Stood on the Bleak Little Platform.

night. There's a dance over at Pomfret Green and everybody's gone. I meant to go, but I had to take some folks down to this train, so I don't mind making a little going since I had to earn some coinage.

It seemed too good to be true when she found herself safely tucked away on the back seat, with buffalo robes around her and the two horses taking up the road splendidly, their hoofs throwing back a spray of light snow.

"It's only nine-thirty," Gregory said reassuringly. "And we don't get an adventure every day. Let's go."

with the driver's help, and they were admitted. "But you can't get word through to-night. The wires don't work. They never do after a big storm on these here party lines."

"Happy New Year!" she said, "Isn't it the queerest thing, our being way up here miles from everyone we know, and not knowing each other even, and starting off the new year together?"



Breasting the Drifts and Literally Wading Through.

ling for a year over there this seems awfully much worth while. You know I'd almost begun to think, if you don't mind my saying so, that there wasn't anyone like you in the world."

"Oh, my dear, my dear!" she cried when she had Winifred safely upstairs in her room. "You poor child!"

"I'm not poor," Winifred said indignantly. "But I had the most beautiful adventure of my whole life, and I'm in love. I agree with you and fate this time."

"Don't worry," Winifred smiled at her reflection in the triple mirror at the dressing table. "I don't give a rap about the money or position or anything, Anna. We've been right out into the primitive world together, lost in the snow, and I'd go with him to the ends of the world if this blessed old world had any ends. He said, just as we were driving in here, it was the most promising New Year's he had ever known."

The communion of friendship is the response to the need of the hours when the insistent rush of earning a living is ended for the day and one has time to be alone with himself. For it is then that the sympathetic counsel of someone like oneself may shape and mold the possibilities of the morrow.

At All Times. "I will bless the Lord at all times," said David. Here is the real test of gratitude. If we remember to thank the Lord only when the sun is shining or when our pockets are full, we are not genuinely grateful.

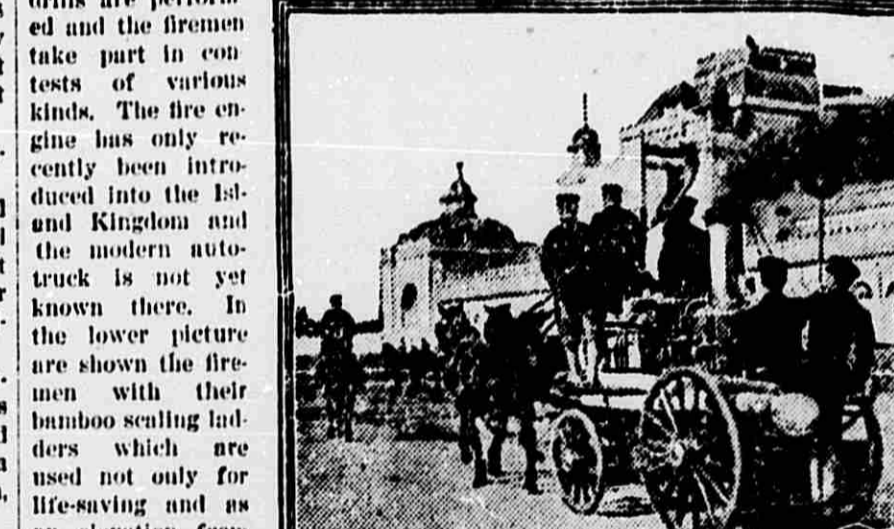
NEW YEAR'S DAY IN JAPAN



New Year's day has come to rank as one of the most popular of the Flowering Kingdom's holidays. As in America it is a day of feasting and good cheer, though oddly tempered by religious observances.



At the parade in Tokyo New Year's day on their way to the drill grounds for the annual inspection, one of the big features in the way of celebrating the first day of the year in every Japanese city of any size.



Bracing the Drifts and Literally Wading Through. Breasting the Drifts and Literally Wading Through.



Call of Friendship. The communion of friendship is the response to the need of the hours when the insistent rush of earning a living is ended for the day and one has time to be alone with himself.

NEW YEAR SUPERSTITIONS. When the master enters the house for the first time in the new year he must take something in which he did not take out.

Looking Backward. I have stood in the bow forecasting the course, not in the stern watching the log.

No Need for Anxiety. Do your best loyally and cheerfully, do your worst bravely and fearlessly.

The finest of all fine arts is the art of doing good, and yet it is the least cultivated.—Talmage.

Whatever duty makes a man a slave makes his worth away.—Pope.

WOUNDS OF HORSES

Lacerated and Contused Hurts, Bruises, Harness Galls. MAY BE DESCRIBED TOGETHER

Many Animals Die From Septic Infection or Mortification as Result of These Injuries—Abscesses May Result.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Lacerated and contused wounds of horses may be described together, although there is, of course, this difference: that in contused wounds there is no break or laceration of the skin.

In wounds that are lacerated the amount of hemorrhage generally is inconsiderable; even very large blood vessels may be torn apart without causing a fatal result.

Contused wounds are caused by blunt instruments moving with sufficient velocity to bruise and crush the tissues, as kicks, running against objects, or falling on large, hard masses.

In lacerated wounds great care must at first be exercised in examining or probing to the very bottom of the rent or tear, to see whether any foreign body is present.

Bruises are nothing but contused wounds where the skin has not been ruptured. There is often considerable solution of continuity of the parts under the skin, subcutaneous hemorrhage, etc., which may result in mortification and slough of the bruised parts.

Harness Galls (Siftasts). Wounds or abrasion of the skin of work horses are frequently caused by friction.

Steer Clear of Diarrhea. Chickens that are infected with white diarrhea in early life may carry the germs of the disease with them wherever they go as long as they live.

Breeding Guinea Pigs. The breeding of guinea pigs is extensively carried on in some sections as the board of health in many states uses these little animals in experiments.

Chaffing is best prevented by bringing the animal gradually into working shape after it has had a prolonged rest. In order that the muscles may be hard and the skin tough, the harness should be well fitted, neither too large nor too small, and it should be cleaned and oiled to remove all dirt and to make it soft and pliable.

Chaffing is best prevented by bringing the animal gradually into working shape after it has had a prolonged rest. In order that the muscles may be hard and the skin tough, the harness should be well fitted, neither too large nor too small, and it should be cleaned and oiled to remove all dirt and to make it soft and pliable.

WORTHY FRIEND OF FARMER. Homely Little Toad Can Be Made Especially Useful in Garden, Greenhouse or Berry Patch.

The toad lives from ten to forty years, and it can lay over a thousand eggs a year. It has lived two years without food, but cannot live long under water. It never takes dead or motionless food. It captures and devours wasps, yellow-jackets, ants, beetles, worms, spiders, bugs, grasshoppers, crickets, weevils, cutworms, moths, etc.

SCIENCE IN POULTRY RAISING. One Who Gets Best Results Has Found That Sunshine Is Needed to Keep Fowls Well.

TIMELY HONEY DONT'S. Don't forget to leave honey enough in the hive to winter the bees through. Don't put your honey down cellar but keep it in the warmest room.

GENERAL FARM NOTES. The hen that hustles lays the eggs. Grow some rhubarb in the cellar this winter. It is easily done.

Apples picked carefully from the tree and wrapped in paper keep well. Potatoes prepared for exhibition should not be washed, but wiped clean.

It is estimated that it costs the farmer more to haul a bushel of grain than it does a railroad to haul a ton of it. Farmers who have a good, pure type of any of the standard varieties of corn would do well to save all the first-class seed possible for sale.

The LOWELL LEDGER Published every Thursday morning at Lowell, Michigan F. M. JOHNSON, Editor and Prop'r

Subscription by Mail, Postpaid ONE YEAR \$1.00 SIX MONTHS .75 FOUR MONTHS .50 TWO MONTHS .25

OUR efforts to issue THE LEDGER early Thursday mornings have been defeated several weeks by belated offerings of advertising and news copy, in spite of frequent requests for friendly co-operation.

CARLOADS of belated Christmas mail stacked in Chicago and other great centers when it should have been in the hands of recipients all over the country, should be remembered another year by people who postpone the mailing of gifts until the last day or two before Christmas.

LOST motion must be detected by the Italian who proposes a motor propelled street cleaning machine with a sprinkler in front and a sweeper behind. Here's one answer to the everlasting question: "What next?"

EVIDENTLY purely partisan legislation will not figure successfully in the new House, with its 214 Republicans, 213 Democrats, 3 Progressives, 1 Prohibitionist and 1 Socialist.

CONTRADICTING the panic breeders, noted financial authorities state that peace conditions following the great war will increase prosperity and cut prices in this country.

EARL HUNTER Phone 127 COAL and WOOD Office Main Street, West Side

Connecting Photos. Let there be public rejoicing over the Supreme court's affirmation of the decision compelling Bell and independent telephone companies to make physical connection upon request.

MOSELEY Mrs. Harold Cummins of Grand Rapids is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Winger.

LOWELL DIST. NO. 2 Sunday guests at Clinton Miller's were Mr. Eck and Hattie, Vernie, Marie and George Miller.

Olga Blaser and Irma Kallings of Lowell spent Sunday evening at the Fabrik home.

South Lowell Elroy Schwander and family of North Clarksville spent Christmas with his parents.

East Lowell School closed Friday for a two weeks vacation with a Christmas tree for the children.

Seeley Corners Mildred and Edna Heache and Gladys Ferral attended the Christmas exercises at the Thomas school Friday afternoon.

Morse Lake A Happy New Year to all. Herman Smith, the operator at Fox, was the guest of Morse Lake friends Tuesday.

South Boston Ed. Ernest and George Tucker and families spent Sunday with their mother Mrs. K. E. Tucker.

Bargain Days On Universal Advance in Newspaper Prices After Jan. 1. After the first of the year the price of the Grand Rapids Herald will be \$3.00 per year.

Probate Notice STATE OF MICHIGAN. The Probate Court for the County of Kent, Michigan, do hereby give notice that the probate office, in the city of Grand Rapids, in said county, on the 11th day of December, A. D., 1916.

Plumbing, Hot Water and Hot Air Heating General Repair Work. Call Phone 202. I make a specialty of hot air heating.

Library Contest A beautiful library of 115 volumes and cases to be given away in a Library Contest. This handsome library and case will be given by vote to the Church, School, Lodge or Society in Lowell and vicinity.

Library Voting Coupon Cut out this Coupon and deposit it in the ballot box at Look's drug store. Good for 25 Votes For a favorite Lodge, School, Church or for any organization.



NEW YEAR 1917 THE A. L. COONS CLOTHIERS WISH YOU HEALTH—THE GREATEST OF ALL ASSETS. IF YOU HAVE IT, WE HOPE YOU MAY KEEP IT; IF YOU LACK IT, MAY IT COME TO YOU IN

THE HOME OF HART, SCHAFFNER & MARX GOOD CLOTHES. The statement that nine-tenths of the magazine articles on "How to Choose a Husband" are written by old maids, reminds us of that other favorite topic "How to Bring up Children," so learnedly treated by writers who have no children.

STOP THAT COUGH A hacking cough weakens the whole system, drains your energy and gets worse if neglected. Your throat is raw, your chest aches and you feel sore all over.

LOST THEIR BABY. Sherman Albert Purdy, youngest son of Clyde and Lois Purdy, was born at Ionia Oct. 13, 1915, and died at Lowell Dec. 6, 1916, aged 1 year, 2 months and 2 days.

FALLSBURG Mrs. Edith Skinner and daughter of Ionia and Elmer Lane of Pontiac, Sunday and Christmas guests of Floyd Lange and family, returned to their home Monday night.

EAST LOWELL School closed Friday for a two weeks vacation with a Christmas tree for the children.

SEELEY CORNERS Mildred and Edna Heache and Gladys Ferral attended the Christmas exercises at the Thomas school Friday afternoon.

MORSE LAKE A Happy New Year to all. Herman Smith, the operator at Fox, was the guest of Morse Lake friends Tuesday.

SOUTH BOSTON Ed. Ernest and George Tucker and families spent Sunday with their mother Mrs. K. E. Tucker.

POULTRY WANTED We will call for same at any time. Just phone Citiz. No. 156, Lowell, that's all. Highest Prices Paid.

MEATS Fresh, Salt, Smoked and Cooked At Reasonable Prices.

CLAUDE STAAL East Side Market

Nursery Stock THE N. P. HUSTED CO. have on hand the time-tried varieties of Fruit Trees, consisting of Apples, Plums, Pears, Peaches, Strawberries, Blackberries, Raspberries

Furs and Pelts wanted Highest Market Prices Also Paid For Junk, All Kinds Sell to the highest payer by the honest scale.

1000 VOTES given in the Library Contest for each dollar paid THE LEDGER for subscriptions old or new. Votes also given for job printing and advertising.

Library Contest A beautiful library of 115 volumes and cases to be given away in a Library Contest. This handsome library and case will be given by vote to the Church, School, Lodge or Society in Lowell and vicinity.

J. O. CLARK, Fancy Groceries HERMAN STRONG, Bakery. ART H. HILL, Shoes. J. W. BRUNTHAVER, Bazaar

Plumbing, Hot Water and Hot Air Heating General Repair Work. Call Phone 202. I make a specialty of hot air heating.



# TIPPECANOE

By SAMUEL McCOY

(Copyright, 1916, by Lubbe-Merrill Co.)

## CHAPTER XV.—Continued.

With a bound he reached the bank of the stream, leaped down beneath its friendly shelter, and ran on noiseless paces along the shelving edge, back toward the quarter from which the shot had come; if he were pursued, it would be better to let the chase pass him than to try to outdistance the Indian runners. At last he stopped and lay flat on his stomach up to the top of the bank until he could lift his head with infinite caution and peer through the tufts of weeds. No sound broke the stillness. For an eternity of time he lay, clutching his rifle in readiness; but the only sound was the querulous calling of the little woodpecker, high overhead. He waited. . . .

Fifty yards away a twig snapped under a slow-moving foot. David scarcely breathed. A hand rose above a fallen giant of the forest, and a crouching shadow flitted from tree to tree, nearer, nearer. . . . David raised his rifle over his little . . . He saw the face of the dead hunter, resting with quick motions of the head from side to side, watchful as the brown water-snake. . . .

On the instant, David lifted his rifle and fired full at the crouching figure. From Girty's lips broke the roar of an infuriated animal; he staggered back with the impact of the shot, but he did not fall nor yet did he lift his weapon to his shoulder; and David saw that his shot had struck only the lock of Girty's rifle, rendering it useless but leaving the man unharmed. . . .

They crashed together and splintered with a shock. David leaped to the top of the bank and braced himself for the onset. As the clubbed rifle of the outlaw rose above his head, David swung his own upward to meet it. . . .

With the strength of desperation, David strove to oppose the terrible sinews. Back and forth over the frozen grass the two men fought like beasts, heaving, struggling, stumbling over roots, locked in an embrace as deadly as that of the cougar. . . .

This is a story of pioneer days in Indiana, when courageous frontiersmen fought the redskins and the wilderness and won vast territory.

They seemed to be struggling on in that nightmare where the feet are leaden and the pursuers deaf. . . . At last David and Toinette stood still and looked at each other. . . .

He seemed to be struggling on in that nightmare where the feet are leaden and the pursuers deaf. . . . At last David and Toinette stood still and looked at each other. . . .

He seemed to be struggling on in that nightmare where the feet are leaden and the pursuers deaf. . . . At last David and Toinette stood still and looked at each other. . . .

He seemed to be struggling on in that nightmare where the feet are leaden and the pursuers deaf. . . . At last David and Toinette stood still and looked at each other. . . .

after a faint roll of thunder followed. A drop of rain struck his face. He passed swiftly from house to house, inquiring from each if there the young doctor from Louisville, young Doctor Elliott, was within; and, though several had seen him that day, none knew where he might be found. . . .

He set out on the road that led to the east. The storm had reached its height. . . .

## CHAPTER XVII. The Storm Breaks.

Young Doctor Elliott, lying prone on his blanket on the lawn, stirred uneasily in his sleep. Outside, the artillery of the last thunderstorm of the autumn rumbled and crashed above the steady rush of the rain. . . .

He was washed away. He could not say about the atmosphere which was immediately and mysteriously evolved out of common day whenever David and she encountered, her eyes filled with tears of vexation. . . .

With the hoarse snarl of a wild beast the Indian leaped at the figure in the doorway. . . .

He was washed away. He could not say about the atmosphere which was immediately and mysteriously evolved out of common day whenever David and she encountered, her eyes filled with tears of vexation. . . .

He was washed away. He could not say about the atmosphere which was immediately and mysteriously evolved out of common day whenever David and she encountered, her eyes filled with tears of vexation. . . .

He was washed away. He could not say about the atmosphere which was immediately and mysteriously evolved out of common day whenever David and she encountered, her eyes filled with tears of vexation. . . .

## Fur Coats and Earrings Again

Combination Once More With Us, and Human Nature Responds to Call.

It was necessary to introduce semi-precious furs, because it was not possible for the masses to pay the price of the precious ones; so this winter we have a vast variety from which to choose.

## SMOOTH PELTRIES PREFERRED

Prevailing Fur Coats Have Less Fleece Than Last Year, Unless They Are Cut—Three-Quarter Length Muffs Are Small and Simple.

New York.—As far back as one can look into the annals of American fashions, the possession of a seal-skin coat was accounted supreme happiness. . . .

The fur coat and the diamond earring are with us again, and again human nature responds to the same old call. . . .

There are two or three things that one might say are out of fashion: first, the hand of fur on the hem of a cloak or velvet coat; second, the small animal head and tails worn snugly around the neck. . . .

There are thousands of us now who wear those scarves. We cover them up with tabs of hair or, better still, with ornaments that clamp over the ear, just to hide the ravages of an earlier epoch. . . .

After all, we are elemental and primitive in our clothes. We may change the symptoms, but the deep-seated disease is there. . . .

How Some Women Have Solved the Problem of Dressing Well on Little Money. . . .

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By E. O. BELL, Editor, of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)

## LESSON FOR DECEMBER 31

### CHRIST'S COMING AND COMING TO CHRIST (REVIEW).

READING LESSON—Rev. 22:1-14; 16:1. GOLDEN TEXT—"The spirit and the bride say, come. And he that heareth, let him come. He that will, let him take of the water of life freely.—Rev. 22:17.

It is possible in less than nine to review the past quarter's work, in a logical, chronological manner, but lessons seven and nine are not in their proper chronological setting. . . .

The review should of course center in Paul, his conduct, character and teachings. . . .

The review should of course center in Paul, his conduct, character and teachings. . . .

The review should of course center in Paul, his conduct, character and teachings. . . .



They Crashed Together and Splintered With a Shock.



"I Have Offered All I Have; I Have Nothing More to Give."



This evening gown of black velvet has a shawl collar, a train, and a fringe of this expensive peltry at the hem. There is a diamond's sash of it that goes across the chest and hangs to the knees.

If we were born before the barbarism was abolished . . .

There are thousands of us now who wear those scarves. . . .

## FUR GOES ON CHIFFON.



Afternoon gown of taupe-colored chiffon, with collar, belt and hem of black seal. The embroidery is in silver threads.

she keeps in good repair and makes such little alterations as keep them up to date. . . .



The Name Burst From Him Like the Cry of the Soul itself.

have you forgotten why you drove me from you? Have you forgotten what treason you charged me with? . . .

## PEEVED AT BEING DUNNED

Considerate Debtor Pours Forth His Soul in Letter to His Creditor.

It is not every firm that can have a delinquent debtor write a letter to it like this. . . .

## WINDMILL PUDDING.

The new draft had just arrived in France and the men were exchanging notes with the old hands. . . .

## Literary Advice.

"Use short words. They are more forcible." . . .

## BITS OF INFORMATION

Philadelphia has 200,000 school children. . . .

## Only Three Kinds of Feet.

A recent meeting of foot doctors brought forth the information that all feet are divided into three classes, namely, infared, outfared and straight feet. . . .

## A One-Sided Argument.

A patient-looking man was on trial for pregnancy and disturbance of the peace. The judge seemed inclined to be lenient with him. . . .



