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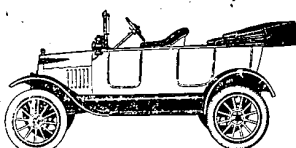
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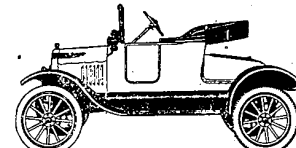
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Fun on New Year's Eve

ALTHOUGH many of the old customs have been dropped and almost forgotten. New Year's parties are not out of date. A nice one is a pantomime of an enchanted girl.

A damp sheet must be fastened up across the room or between the folding doors of the parlor. First fasten the corners of the sheet, then the center of each of the four sides in order that the cloth may be perfectly smooth; then place a lighted candle on the floor about four or five feet from the center of the curtain. When the lights in the room occupied by the company are turned out shadows of the actors behind the curtain may be seen on the screen, some one, standing outside the curtain and facing the audience, should relate the story of the play of how a young girl while walking out on the last day of October meets Halloween, who presents her with three gifts to try her fortune, and how, when she is about to do so, a witch enchants her. After the story is finished and a lively overture has been performed on some musical instrument the pantomime is played as follows:

Halloween Appar. The young girl personating the enchanted one comes gently forward from the side. When almost across the curtain she meets Halloween, who appears from the opposite side, arrayed in a short dress, with wings made of newspaper folded fan fashion and fastened on the shoulders. In her hand she carries a cane or a broom, and a crescent cut of stiff brown paper and pasted on the end. Halloween shows the maiden three gifts—a hand mirror and an unlighted candle. Instead of the mirror a crystal ball may be used.



Seeking the Future in the Crystal Ball. Before presenting them she illustrates by gestures the use to be made of each. Holding the mirror or globe in front of her face, she bites the apple, then looks quickly around, as if expecting to see some one, and, again holding up the mirror or globe in her left hand and the candle in the other, she takes a few steps backward. When a boy or young man enters a by jumping over the light, which gives the appearance of his having fallen from the sky, Halloween looks around, and the boy or man quickly disappears. All this time the girl stands transfixed with her hands raised and all the fingers spread out in astonishment. She receives the presents, which are given with many nods and gestures.

The Old Witch Enters. As the maiden then takes up the apple and mirror or globe her hand is stayed by a witch with flowing hair, who has approached unperceived, carrying under one arm a broom and wearing on her head an ordinary hat with a piece of newspaper rolled up and pinned on to form a peaked crown. The poor girl looks anxiously around and discovers she has been enchanted, for there are three girls instead of one. This effect is produced by two more lighted candles being placed on the floor on either side of the first candle. The candles are removed, and the Old Year, an old man, instantly appears. Discovering him quickly, the girl runs forward to tell her sorrows and finds that it is only when alone that she is enchanted, for when she attempts to point out her other selves they have disappeared. Making many guesses, she looks here right at them, but in vain. Then as the Old Year leaves

New Year's Morning

By HELEN HUNT JACKSON

ONLY a night from old to new! Only a night and so much wrought!

The Old Year's heart all weary grew,
But said, "The New Year rest has brought."
The Old Year's heart its hopes laid down
As in a grave, but, trusting, said,
"The blossoms of the New Year's crown
Bloom from the ashes of the dead."

The Old Year's heart was full of greed;
With selfishness it longed and ached
And cried, "I have not half I need:
My thirst is bitter and unslaked,
But to the New Year's generous hand
All gifts in plenty shall return;
True loving it shall understand;
By all my failures it shall learn
I have been reckless; it shall be
Quiet and calm and pure of life.
I was a slave; it shall go free
And find sweet peace where I leave strife."

Only a night from old to new!
Night and the healing balm of sleep!
Each morn is New Year's morn come true,
More of a festival to keep.
All nights are sacred nights to make
Confession and resolve and prayer.
All days are sacred days to wake
New gladness in the sunny air.

Only a night from old to new!
Only a sleep from night to morn!
The new is but the old come true;
Each sunrise sees a new year born.

NEW YEAR BELL IS SILENT.

Famous Bells of American Independence Formerly Rang in the Year. Every New Year's eve citizens of Philadelphia gather round the shanties of Liberty, Independence hall, to hear the New Year rung in. Formerly this service was performed by the bell now known as the Liberty bell. Before that memorable day in 1776 when the nation's fathers gave forth to the world their Declaration of Independence, whose signing was heralded by the ringing of the bell, New Year's ringing was started by the first peal of what is now known as the Liberty bell.

After the events of July 4, 1776, made the bell one of the most precious relics of the nation, custodians of Independence hall restricted its use, fearing some mishap, and after 1830 the bell was no longer used for the New Year's salute. In 1832, on the celebration of George Washington's birthday, it was rung and not again for three years, when on July 8, 1835, while the funeral procession of Chief Justice Marshall was passing, the bell was tolled.

Suddenly the note grew discordant. An investigation was made. It was found that a crack had been started. The bell had completed its task. No more would it greet the New Year or pay tribute to the nation's great. But from the tower of Liberty's cradle another bell always welcomes the coming of a New Year.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Not Alone on New Year. Of course it is customary to make New Year's day the day of new resolutions, but there is no particular reason why we should confine this work to this one day in the year. In fact, the very best resolutions we can make at New Year's day is to resolve that during the coming year we will use every endeavor to make each day a day of self improvement; that not a single day shall pass upon which we have not attempted to speak a good word or do a kind deed for somebody; that not a day shall pass upon which we will not try to weed out some of the bad habits and virtues of character that now offend others or some of the bad habits that offend even ourselves.

Pay Up Day in China. At the Chinese New Year the houses and other buildings are decked with flowers, and the streets are thronged with people, who come out to buy provisions, new clothes and gifts. One good New Year custom in China is that of settling up all debts before the old year has died out. A Chinaman who allows the New Year to dawn before he has settled with his creditors feels himself disgraced.

The New Year Dawns. The new year dawns, the sun shines strong and clear,
And all the world rejoices and is gay.
The city living birds from spray to spray
Pit and twitter in their car.
Their little frozen notes of wintry cheer,
From ruddy children with the snow at feet
Ring bells of laughter gladder than in May.
While friends greet friends with "Happy be thy year!"
—Louis Chandler Moulton.

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Items of Interest From the Surrounding Country, Cleaned by Our Correspondents.

Powers Station

Mrs. Stuckey's mother is very sick.

The Wick boys were all home Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Rackham entertained a lot of company Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Clossen and children were entertained in Detroit Sunday.

Harry Simmons, of Detroit, visited his sister over Sunday and Monday.

A very nice time was had at the Christmas tree and program given at the school house Thursday night. A very large crowd was there.

The families from here that were to attend Christmas at Mrs. Will Johnson's didn't go, as Mrs. Johnson was very sick and will give the Christmas dinner New Year's if she is better.

FROM OUR EXCHANGES

Newsy Items Taken From Other Papers in and About the Country.

A certain woman keeps the talking machine by the head of her bed. When her husband calls her to get up and get breakfast, she turns on the record "I Hear You Calling Me," and turns over for another nap.—Oxford Leader.

Anthony Westlake and his wife, who have lived on the Seven mile road just west of the Evergreen road for upward of 30 years, have made a three-year lease of their residence, barns and forty acres north of the newly paved highway, to W. H. Burley who lives out Novy way. He will take possession of his new home about the first of March.—Redford Record.

While crossing the Pere Marquette tracks in Highland on his way home from school at Milford, Miss Ruth Prior had the misfortune to have her horse fall and break its hoof. She was hurrying across the tracks before a south bound freight arrived. With the assistance of several men the train was backed and held up until the horse could be removed from the tracks.—Milford Times.

Wilbur Seger and Charles Southwell had an exciting experience with a wild animal one day last week. Charlie, you know, was camping on the Huron river at a sandbar bridge, and when Wilbur was down there they got tick of this beast. They allowed it to a hole and after considerable poking, managed to drive it from its lair. It looked like a bear, only not so long. The hunters were not to be frightened by any such "big game" and gave chase. The "bear" was finally "tired" on a big log, and captured. It proved to be a mink 32 inches in length.—Brighton Argus.

Probate Order

STATE OF MICHIGAN
In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the City of Pontiac, in said county, on the Eleventh day of December, A. D. 1917.

Present, Hon. Kiebler P. Rockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of **Butler W. Seward**, deceased, Harriet M. Seward having filed in said court a petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to J. Gillman Vaiden or to some other suitable person. It is Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the jury for their verdict.

Attest: Kiebler P. Rockwell, Judge of Probate.
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