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THE NEW YEAR.
The month of January was called from the two-faced god Janus, who was thought to look back to the year gone by and forward to the year ahead.

It seems very natural to take a holiday on the first of this opening month, so that reviews and prospects may be comfortably indulged in. A week after Christmas, however, it is apt to be very dull and quiet, an anti-climax.

The lees of the Christmas week are unispiriting, and reunions are often by now broken up. But just for that reason, while Christmas seems to have absorbed most of the retrospective spirit of New Year's day, the latter looks more forward. We get our reminiscences largely over by Watch Night at least, and then the deck is clear for plans and dreamings of a New Year's life.

In former days men, women and children bought a diary-book for the year, in which they would record their acts and reflections. There have been many ambitious after the fame of a diarist who should rival Pepys and Evelyn of old, or Amiel of more modern times.

But diaries have become somewhat lost their interest or usefulness by the growth of the newspaper. The "Journal intime" is replaced by the public daily, in which, if you are of any importance, all your acts of general consequence are duly chronicled.

If at any time you wish to look up the dark closets or the sunny portions of your past, all your acts and your neighbors, are they not written and preserved in the newspaper file? May this year be a happy one for all our readers, abounding in good resolutions well kept, in good fortune and prosperity.

Today is particularly happy for Dives. He receives a luscious mail of dividend notices and checks. He smiles as he fingers them over reclining in his easy leather chair. It is to be hoped he is a kindly Canadian and thinks not alone of cashing tomorrow at his bank but how he can help along poor Lazarus wherever he may be.

Lazarus having no half-yearly or quarterly dividends to remit over may be deriving all the more some ancient satisfaction from religious observance today. It is the Feast of the Circumcision, a symbol to many of the pruning away of vice and passion from all the guilt of former sin. May mercy set us free, and let the year we now begin, begin and end with Thee.

So runs an old hymn which some may sing or think of today. As another year begins, the flight of time presses upon our thought. The years come and go, they are and are not. As the motto of "The Old Clock on the Stairs," long-forgotten quotes from a French writer, Jacques Brindane, "Eternity is a clock, whose pendulum says over and over without ceasing, just these two words, in the silence of the graves: 'Ever, never! Never, ever!'" Behind us the moments and the years huddle in perspective, they jumble together, and coalesce into one timeless whole which ever reaches forward to sweep into its mow the flying present and the never-born future.

The years that have been, this year and those that are to be, with the friendships and loves that they bear, with their trials and temptations and triumphs, where will they all be at last? The ancient timepiece makes reply, "Forever—never! Never—forever! Never—forever, forever there. Where all parting, pain and care, And death and time shall disappear.— Forever there, but never here! The horologe of Eternity, "Forever—never! Never—forever!"

But this is so mysterious a reflection that it is almost depressing. It is almost as depressing as the thought of that Christmas turkey which only Dives can duplicate today. Perhaps you had that turkey on and off all week, finishing with its bones and soup not long before Watch Night. Most of us "return to our muttons," a good omen for a sober, steady and hard-working year.

RATTLED.
[New York Post.]
Ernest Seton-Thompson says the "barren" north land has 60,000,000 caribou. Another explorer has found in north Canada a mountain higher than any yet before discovered in America. Still another report of hitherto undiscovered lake larger than Superior. A late report says that there has been no snow and high frost at Hudson Bay this winter. That is about enough for the present, until we readjust our ideas.

MOSTLY ALL.
[New York Post.]
A New Yorker bought one of those fine old colonial places down in Virginia, principally on information from friends. When he went down to see his mansion, he was much impressed by the great pillars, the spacious porch, and particularly by the great hall running from the front to the back of the house. He inspected the place and came back to New York.

IN ONE PLACE.
[New York Post.]
I do not care to learn to fly. I'd sooner stick to easy books. Then, when my time shall come to die, My friends can whisper with a sigh, "How natural he looks!"

NOT PREPARED TO SAY.
[Chicago Tribune.]
"Which," asked Mrs. Odeustle, "has first place in your estimation, 'Titan of Venus'?" "Well, really," her hostess replied as she put her new \$2000 tiara into the jewel box, "I can't never thought much about it. It seems to me most of the high-priced ones are about the same, if you've got a mechanic that understands 'em."

THE REAL THING.
[Life.]
Miss Ethel Barrymore tells the following story of Sir Henry Irving, in whose support she appeared when he produced the play "Peter the Great." It appears that at a rehearsal of the play in question at the Lyceum Theatre in London a wonderful climax had been reached, which was to be lightened by the effective use of the usual thunder and lightning. The stage carpenter was given the order. The words were spoken, and instantly a noise which resembled a succession of pistol shots was heard behind the scenes. "What on earth are you doing, men?" shouted Sir Henry, rushing behind the scenes. "Do you call that thunder?" "It's not a bit like it," "A wretched sorry," responded the carpenter, "but the fact is, sir, I couldn't hear you because of the storm. That was real thunder!"

HAD ENOUGH.
[Women's Companion.]
"Chryseum—'And how would you like to be a minister when you grow up?'" "No, thank you. I'm tired of wearing things that button on the back."

THOSE DEAR GIRLS.
[Toronto Telegram.]
One Girl: "Why do you insist on wearing 'lighter'?" He said to be "lighter." The other Girl: "Why, I'd trust him with my life."

THE TRAVELING MAN.
Have pity on the Traveling Man. He needs your sympathy. His chiefest duty is to catch the seven-fifty train. And when within the smoking car He day he starts to plan, He wonders if his sample trunk Without the Buckingham.

He stops at Billville, takes the "tea" to the salubrious hotel, Shakes hands with Tom, the smiling Clerk. Who pounds the counter bell, But after he has registered, He sits in black with gloom, For Binks, of Robinson and Jones, Has copied the Sample Book.

He meets a customer or two, Their orders are but small, The merchants say with one accord, "They'll see you in the Fall." He smiles, The grub is only fair, Then he must sit and wait Until the Flyer comes along, Just forty minutes late.

Town after town from Monday noon Till Friday afternoon, Then Home, with its ten thousand joys, A glad and gracious boon. He carries the juicy, hot lunch, His baggage never fails to include, And does not serve his dinner on Eleven separate dishes.

This week the Traveler does not go A bounding o'er the rail, He does not bear the starting fall, The locomotive's work is slow, Nay, may he vacillates at home, And, with a joyous shout, He paints the ancient cedar steps On carriages as they go.

ON ONE'S SLEEVE.
[Philadelphia Record.]
"A pretty woman doesn't always wear white," observed the Wise Guy. "No, she is apt to rub off," snickered the Simple Man.

SUFFRAGE PAPERS PLEASE COPY.
[Boston Transcript.]
The Missogynist—the advance of time has improved everything but woman. Miss Smart-Tune's Woman has been perfect from the first.

A FREAK INDEED.
[Houston Transcript.]
Mrs. X is a hypocrite for that Mrs. Clinch-leigh. She's a hypocrite. Mrs. W—A hypocrite? Why, that woman two-faced from the crown of her head to the soles of her feet.

THE SALOON'S EXAMPLE.
[Houston Transcript.]
Banks will hereafter close up tight Saturday night, thus following the illustrious example of those other popular depositories of the people's savings, to wit, the saloons.

THE CARBY'S RETORT.
[M. A. P.]
A certain notoriety, who may be called Lord X—, bears the reputation of being somewhat stingy in money matters. On a wet afternoon he hired a cab to take him to Victoria station. Arrived at the station he handed the cabman a shilling, and, of course, was met by the inevitable demand for an extra sixpence.

TROUBLES THREATEN IN THE NEW YEAR

Revolutions Are Ripening in Spain, Greece, China and Central Africa.

WAR CLOUDS THICKEN

Situation in Spain is Admitted to Be Most Critical, and Year May Have Much in Store for King Alfonso.

[Associated Press.]
Paris, Dec. 31.—Threats of wars and revolutions are heard in Spain, China, Greece, Haiti, Honduras, Portugal and Iceland, as 1911 draws to a close. Some of these threats are more than likely to be bloodshed before the new year is well started.

Haiti and Honduras.
Gen. Antenor Firmin, late Haitian minister to London, is reported on his way to Haiti to lead a revolt against President Simon. Firmin has repeatedly started disturbances in Haiti. He is anxious to become a dictator like the late Nord Alexis.

Gen. Bonilla and the American adventurer, Les Christmas, are reported preparing to start a revolt, with the object of deposing President Davila, of Honduras. The uprising is scheduled for the present week. It will be aided by filibusters from New Orleans and refugees from Nicaragua.

There is also danger of clash between Haiti and Santo Domingo. Agitation in Iceland is reported from Denmark. The leaders want to establish a semi-republican form of government, with socialistic tendencies. There has always been restiveness under Danish rule, and while the agitators profess to be hopeful of peaceful progress to liberty, Copenhagen is keeping still and may resort to arms if the Icelandic republicans become overbold.

Greece Fears Turkey.
In Athens there is fear that Turkey may suddenly start war against King George, who is in no position for effective defence. Hostilities would compel him to call on his European allies and good friends for aid. Such a call would raise again the problem of what to do with Turkey and might excite several European nations.

Large bodies of irregular Turkish soldiers are reported gathering along the Greek frontier and all over Turkey. There are two circumstances under which there would be immediate outbreaks in Spain. One is the return of Senor Mauro to power at the head of a Conservative Government, and the other is a renewal of war in Africa.

The return of the unpopular ex-prime minister would be a serious menace to the monarchy, but I am convinced that it will not be attempted since the last anarchistic attack on him in Barcelona.

"I do not think there is much likelihood of the war in Africa being postponed by the unfortunate want of cohesion among political chiefs. One cannot say that six months will bring forth, but in any case I believe that a revolution would be practically bloodless warfare, and will rely on the opinion of the monarch to bring about the downfall of the monarchy without actual fighting."

Investigations do not support Senor Iglesias' confidence that the revolution will be bloodless. Perhaps he did not tell all that he knew. The power of the revolutionists is already felt in Bilbao, Barcelona, Valencia, Ferrol, Gijon, Cadiz and Seville, as well as in Madrid. All ascertainable facts lead inevitably to the conclusion that the country is steadily preparing for a republican form of government, and that when the critical moment arrives the struggle between the revolutionaries and the supporters of the present form of government, and will be spread throughout the length and breadth of Spain.

The same spirits recognize the weakening effect of the lack of union and the downward steps towards a better understanding. Recently the Socialist-Republican Union was formed, with Senor Perez Galdos as its head, and its unifying effect is already felt.

FIGHT IN MEXICO
Rebels Were Defeated in Engagement With Volunteer Force.

[Special To The Advertiser.]
Cancun, Mexico, Dec. 30.—Via El Paso, Tex. Confirmation is received of the battle east of here between 14 insurgents and a force of volunteers headed by the Prefect of Montezuma, this state. The rebels, according to the official report, left one dead, ten prisoners, fifteen rifles, thirteen pack mules, and a large supply of ammunition, which they apparently were taking to Chihuahua to the rebel army.

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REV. DR. MANNING ON EASY DIVORCES

Pastor of Dundas Centre Says They Would Ruin Canada.

THE WAYS OF THE RICH

The Poor Man is Blest in That the Marriage State to Him is Less Easy to Shatter.

At the Dundas Centre Methodist Church last night Rev. Dr. Manning preached a sermon on "Divorce." He took a strong position on the subject, and declared that there was but one ground for the annulment of the marriage vow—as laid down by Christ.

In his opening remarks Dr. Manning declared that divorce was a question of great moment in Canada at this time. It was being discussed in conventions of lawyers and in the press.

The question was asked of Christ—for what reasons could a man divorce his wife, and the answer was given very plainly, fornication. There was the one exception only, and He took the position that once married, always married.

"When Christ gave that command it was the people of an age notorious for its easy divorce," declared Dr. Manning. "It was a wicked age, and Christ made it a peremptory command to his followers that it was for one cause and that alone that divorce be granted. If that command applied then it applies much more so to conditions today."

Commanding Notice.
The question of divorce was forcing itself upon the parliament of the country. The number of applications had increased greatly during the past few years, so great in fact that the government was seriously considering the appointment of a separate court to deal with the subject. The method of granting divorce, or what body should deal with it was not the question. The reasons for granting a divorce were the vital things to be considered.

"If Canada has become so degenerate that the grounds for divorce must be multiplied, it has wandered far from the precepts of our fathers," Dr. Manning declared. "This country must have fallen low indeed in its standards of life if that be the case. The national conscience is the Christian conscience. The Christian conscience says that for one cause only shall divorce be granted and that

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he is poor. There is hardly a family that has risen to universal prominence in wealth that has not outraged the sentiments of the people in this matter. He who carries great riches, carries dynamite. He who is born rich is born to great opportunities for industry.

Dr. Manning stated that patience and grace were needed in married life. The couple should follow the Mante and then they would find that the relationship was full of great possibilities for development mentally and morally.

CONDUCTOR CRUSHED.
Gananogue, Ont., Dec. 31.—William Chapman, conductor on the Thousand Islands Railway is in a serious condition as the result of being crushed yesterday while coupling cars. His chest and lungs were badly injured causing inward bleeding.

Though London is a much larger city than New York the restaurant business of the latter city is said to be five times greater than London's. Leap year originated with the astronomer of Julius Caesar, 46 B. C. Will Kyle, of Hillsboro, Tex., bought a cigar of a local dealer, lit it and found that it wouldn't draw. He decided to investigate and cut it open with a knife. In the centre of the cigar he found a diamond worth \$225. It is said.

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