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## CHRISTMAS 300 YEARS AGO

First Yuletide Eve of the Pilgrims Was One Saturated With Grave Fear of Attack.

**S**ITTING about their campfires on Christmas eve, 300 years ago, the Pilgrims on shore heard a cry in the woods and jumped to their feet, expecting a sudden onslaught of whooping Indians. The attack failed to materialize. How the Pilgrims spent Christmas is told in the journal they have left, which says: "No man rested that day."

The settlers were nervous and again at night they left well-armed men on guard. These poor fellows on shore did not have any Christmas beer to drink. About this time, it seems, the beer supply was running low, and Captain Jones of the Mayflower was guarding his stock. Apparently he put everybody on a water basis. But Christmas night he relented. Beer was served to those of the Pilgrims who were on the ship.

## THE BIG COMMUNITY HOLIDAY

Christmas Should Not Be Confined to Family Celebrations; Make It General Joy Fest.

**C**HISTMAS should not be confined to our own family, Christmas is of all days Community Holiday and the entire community should be taken in for celebrating the occasion. Every community should have in the local church, or schoolhouse Christmas exercises of some sort or other. The giving of recitations is one of the very best trainings for children and cannot be started too soon. As soon as they are able to lip they should be given a part in Christmas entertainments. It is a means of much pleasure to them and something they will remember as long as they live.

Christmas, in the country of all places, should be a community holiday. It's too big a thing to be kept all within your family.

## Bethlehem.

**T**ODAY the whole Christian world prostrates itself in adoration around the crib of Bethlehem and rehearses in accents of love a history which precedes all time and will endure throughout eternity. As if by an instinct of our higher, spiritual nature, there well up from the depths of our heart emotions which challenge the power of human expression. We seem to be lifted out of the sphere of natural endeavor to put on a new life and to stretch forward in desire to a blessedness, which, though not palpable, is eminently real.—Cardinal Gibbons.

## Cakes by Parcel Post.

Cakes can be sent long distances by parcel post without so much as cracking the icing, if they are packed in this way: Place the cake on a large sheet of heavy waxed paper and apply the frosting, allowing a generous portion of the frosting to extend on the paper. Plastering the cake to the paper helps to keep it in position. Fold the rest of the paper neatly around the cake and slip under it a piece of cardboard or thin board the exact size of the cake. Put both cake and board into a strong cardboard box. A corrugated box is preferable, as it lessens the jar upon its contents. Fill the box with sawdust or bran, which should be allowed to settle to the bottom of all the crevices. Finally, wrap the box in heavy paper and tie it with a strong cord.

## Discrimination.

"Mummy" said Pickaninny Jim, "I want you to do me a favor."  
"What kind of a favor?"  
"I want you to shut yourself out of sight same as me on Christmas eve."  
"Whufuh?"  
"Well, I ain' gimeter say dat Santa draws no color line. But las' Christmas I looked de neighborhood over an' I kaint' he'p' spicetoin' dat mebbe I'd stan' a better chance foh presents if we didn' give him no chance to notice dat dis ain' a white folks' residence."

## SHE WAS WILLING

Yule-tide fast is coming, dear,  
If you my wife will be,  
I'll draw the saw and start right in  
To be your Christmas tree.

8550 for a Christmas Tree.  
An electrical firm in London has been busy for some months on a remarkable Christmas tree, which had to be sent overseas in time for Christmas day. An immense "fir" tree, all in metal, is fastened with bunches of "fruit." Even the grapes have a tiny bulb inside them. By turning on a switch the tree becomes a blaze of light. The cost of this novel tree is £1500, but it will last for many years.—The Sun.

## MAKE MERRY ON CHRISTMAS

Calabrian Minstrels of Rome With Silvan Pipes, Started Celebration Ten Days in Advance.

**C**HISTMAS used to be celebrated in Rome by the arrival of Calabrian minstrels with their silvan pipes ten days before Christmas. In every street of the historic city they would play their wild, plaintive music before the shrines of the Madonna. These minstrels or "pifferari," as they were called, became rare after the latter part of the Nineteenth century. In Sicily men came down from the mountains nine days before Christmas to sing a "novena" to a plaintive melody accompanied by violin and cello. The music of chiming bells features Christmas the world over. In the Philippines the dawn of Christmas is ushered in by ringing of bells in scores of church towers, calling the people to service. In the dark they flock to the churches to the familiar notes of the "Adeste Fideles."

The music-loving world agrees with the stranger in Bracebridge hall, "I do not know a grander effect of music on the moral feelings than to hear the full choir and the pealing organ performing a Christmas anthem in a cathedral and filling every part of the vast pile with triumphant harmony."

## QUEER WAYS OF MISTLETOE

Popular Christmas Green Fastens Its Roots on Sturdy Trees and Receives Nourishment.

**T**HE mistletoe is really a parasite. Instead of being a healthy tree itself, it fastens its roots upon the sturdy oak and gum trees, and even depends on others to have its seed carried to places where they will grow. The numerous pearly white berries covering the mistletoe all winter attract the birds. When a bird eats a cherry he swallows the meat and drops the pit, but the seed of the mistletoe is sticky and clings to the bird's bill. The only way for the bird to rid himself of the annoying seed is to wipe it off. This he does, on some branch of the tree on which he happens to be at the time. Later this seed sprouts, and not finding earth, which its habits have made it cease to want, it sinks its roots into the bark of the tree and there receives the richest nourishment. It keeps its leaves all winter, and when the oaks are bare its waxy, pale-green leaves stand out prominently against the dull brown bark.—Edwin Tarrise.

## The Real Spirit.

Has the real Christmas spirit been laid upon his bier by a lot of old fogies who have lived too long to sense the thrill of the holly and mistletoe; whose spectacles and whiskers have debarred them from entering the kingdom of pure delight where the children wander; and whose dyspeptic spirits have been warped with acid bitterness until they can no longer flow with the sweet joy of Christmas cheer? No! The real happiness and the cheer that go with red-ribbed wreaths and twinkling candles peeping and winking from between the green of fairy Christmas trees; the thrill of myriad toys stacked in chaotic heaps; the mystery of tissue paper bundles; the secrets that fly back and forth under the grave cover of serenity; the smell of spicy fruitcake and the mellow aroma of holiday baking are here. They are here as they are always here when the holidays are just before us.—Evansville Courier.



## WORRIED

"Jim didn't call last night."  
"He didn't. What's the matter?"  
"His doesn't know whether he's ill or just dodging a Christmas present."

Star of Bethlehem in Holland.  
In Holland the harbinger of Christmas is a huge illuminated star which is carried through the silent, dark, Dutch streets, shining upon the crowd of people and significant of the star which once guided the three wise men of the East. The young men who carry the star through the streets gather money for the poor from the crowds who come out to watch for it. After this they betake themselves to the burgomaster of the town, who, according to custom, is bound to set the youths down to a splendid meal. This is a very great institution in many Dutch towns.

Sauce for Plum Pudding.  
Serve foamy sauce with plum pudding. To make it cream together one-half cupful of butter, one cupful of powdered sugar; add gradually one well-beaten egg and one-half teaspoonful of vanilla. Heat the mixture in a double boiler, beating it thoroughly all the while.

Well Informed Youth.  
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