

When We Plant a Tree

What do we plant when we plant a tree?
We plant the ships that will cross the sea,
We plant the mast to carry the sails,
We plant the plank to withstand the gales.
The keel, the keelson, the beam and knee,
We plant the ship when we plant a tree.

What do we plant when we plant a tree?
We plant the rafters, the shingles, the floors,
We plant the house for you and me,
We plant the studding, the lath, the doors,
The beams, the siding all parts that
We plant the house when we plant a tree.

What do we plant when we plant a tree?
A thousand things that we daily see,
We plant the staff for our country's flag,
We plant the shade from the hot sun free,
We plant all these when we plant a tree.

—Henry Abbey.

A GIFT TO SANTA CLAUS

If I were dear old Santa Claus;
And had to carry gifts,
And had to drive out when the snow
Was piling up in drifts;
And had to climb the chimney tops;
With oh so many toys,
To fill the hanging stockings up;
For sleeping girls and boys;
And Oh! if I were Santa Claus,
And I'd got home at last,
That I'd be pretty tired when
Christmas Eve was passed.

And Oh! if I were Santa Claus;
With all my giving through,
I'd be so glad to find someone
Had sent me presents too.

MARION JOHNSON.

AVE EXCITING WITH ENRAGED BULL

stred effect. The bull wheeled again and began a furious charge at his new enemy, while Jim backed to the side as soon as safety demanded it.

The strange boy began running as fast as he could and would soon be safe. Jim rolled under the fence and ready to slip on the other side of the road. There he saw Art coming from the woods up the road a little way. Jim waited for him grimly.

"Well, Art," he said, as soon as his friend was in ear shot. "If anybody was to have told me you were such a mean cowardly yellow dog, I'd have punched his nose. But I don't want you to speak to me again."

Art Expresses Surprise.

"Aw, say!" cried Art, in surprise. "I'm awful sorry, but honestly what good could I have done by butting in? I'd only have lost my temper and made things worse than they were."

"I'm not talking about that," replied Jim. "I'm talking about the low-down way you sneaked that black bull on the fellow."

"Did what?" exclaimed Art. "Why, I didn't!"

Jim could see that he spoke the truth, then he remembered that Art had noticed that the rope was weak. He was happy and held out his hand. "All right," he said. "I believe you, Shake."

They shook, and just then a shout brought their attention around to a figure running up the road towards them.

"It's the owner," said Jim, but kept Art from taking to his heels. "He's a decent guy," he said.

Stranger Thankful.

Up came the stranger, carrying Jim's sack.

"Say!" he panted as he drew near. "You certainly are a plucky kid, and I'd like to have your name and give you this sack of chestnuts."

"Jim Dale's my name," replied Jim. "But you keep the nuts and take these to, and he took Art's from his unwilting fingers."

The new friend made them fill their pockets, then with good feelings all round they parted, promising to come and call the next Saturday afternoon.

"I don't understand all this ppy-owing," remarked Art, as he and Jim made for the trolley station. "You and him seem to be pals and just loving as you can be. What is the idea?"

JENR.

THE STANDARD'S SPORTING SECTION

Presentation To Hilton A. Belyea

Gold Life Pass to Imperial Theatre to Commemorate Winning National Championship.

Hilton A. Belyea, National Single Scull Champion, yesterday received a gift which will remain him for the rest of his life of the four which he performed in August last, when he met and vanquished the best oarsmen of Canada, and placed the name of his native city in the mouths of the whole world, in the form of a solid gold pass to the Imperial Theatre for himself and his wife.

Mr. Belyea last evening in conversation with The Standard, expressed his appreciation of the gift and of the spirit which prompted it, and wished the Imperial management on behalf of himself and Mrs. Belyea. It would be always treasured, and when he was through with it it would be handed down to future generations as a valued heirloom.

The inscription on the pass reads as follows: "Life Pass, Imperial Theatre, St. John, N. B., Presented to Hilton A. Belyea and wife on the occasion of his winning the National Single Scull Championship, August, 1921."

The pass is enclosed in a solid leather case. The gift was accompanied by the following letter:

Hilton A. Belyea, 58 Middle Street, West St. John.

Dear Hilton, We are sending you in this mail a little token in appreciation of your wonderful performance at the Canadian Henley last summer, and also your showing against the Westerns last fall.

It is a solid gold pass card for this theatre, made out in the name of yourself and good lady, to be used as long as you live, or as long as we may stay in business. It covers the show that we ourselves present.

It was intended to present this little gift when you reached home, but it was not ready for delivery then. At a later date it was not convenient to honor you publicly with the presentation, so now we send it to your home with our best holiday greetings and with the hope that both you and your fair partner may enjoy it to the full.

You have done wonders in past years to keep old St. John's sporting colors to the fore, and we want to let you know that we are among the many who admire your pluck and prowess.

Good luck to you both.

IMPERIAL THEATRE, Walter H. Golding, Manager.

WHEN FATHER WAS A BOY.
By Greta G. Bidlake.

Often on a Winter's night the fire's burning low,
The wind outside is waiting across the white-piled snow,
Then father looks around the room with fond and loving pride
And draws his chair up close before the chimney warm and wide.

He says, "Boys, where's the wood?" with his very nicest smile,
"Put on another stick or two; we'll sit and yarn awhile."
And then we know what's coming, the art's on every tongue,
"Oh, father, tell us all about the days when you were young!"

We draw up close beside him when he begins to speak
As still as little mice with not the faintest squeak,
And mother looks at him and thinks, how nice he is, I know,
For once when he was done she spoke and told him so.

We hear of all the things he did back on the mountain farm,
Of his adventure with a bear when he escaped from harm,
To slumber in a barn's nest and get most awful stung,
When father talks us all about the days when he was young.

His tale us of the money well, its waters deep and cool,
The creek where once he used to fish and the old swimming pool;
He talks about the old pine tree that almost touched the sky,
And came one night a-crashing down when the wind went roaring by;

How as a boy frightened him when first he heard it creak,
How in the Autumn time he found the hazel nuts and beech,
And of the apple orchard where the russet winnows hung,
When father tells us all about the days when he was young.

Christmas Services at Waterloo St. Baptist
Special Addresses for the Day by the Pastor — Excellent Music Assured.

Services on Christmas Day at Waterloo street Baptist church will be of special interest to all. The pastor, Rev. John A. Sweetman, is going to deliver two special addresses. The morning subject will be "Dells of Bethlehem," and in the evening, "Is This the House of the Prince of Peace?" The latter address will be a continuation of last Sunday evening's address dealing with the subject of world-wide peace. Special Christmas music is being prepared by the choir, under the able leadership of H. H. Hay.

The church is being appropriately decorated for the Christmas service, and the day promises to be one of special attractiveness.

Yes, nuts and apples in this Fall and maple sap spring,
And bare feet in the Summer with in the yard a swing,
A roundabout Christmas maybe and a thanksgiving Day there'd be
A host of thirty relatives for dinner and for tea.

"Those were the best times, boys, your father ever had,
There's now grown-up who has the fun of such a country lad."
"Ah, well," he says, "my children, the curfew chiming have rung
And now I've told you all about the days when I was young."

Good Recommendation!

Mrs. Suburo—"Are you acquainted with her personally?"
Proprietress of Registry Office—"Yes, indeed. She is a good girl. I have known her for years. She comes here almost every month for a place."

Thistle Curlers Open Season

President Plays Vice-President Day After Christmas Eleven Rinks to a Side.

The Thistle Curling Club will open the season of 1921-22 with the President-Vice President Match which will be played December 26, play starting at 10 a. m. There will be eleven rinks to a side, and an equal number playing against one and other.

Rinks Nos. 1, 2 and 3, will play at 10 a. m.; rinks Nos. 4, 5 and 6 at 11:30 a. m.; rinks Nos. 7, 8 and 9 at 2:30 p. m.; and rinks Nos. 10 and 11 at 4 p. m.

The way the rinks will line-up follows:

Rink 1 President
H. W. Kinsman Roy Rogers
B. M. Olive H. D. Sullivan
H. W. Stubbs W. H. Gambelin
H. R. Crawford R. S. Ritchie

Rink 2 Vice President
F. Roderick P. Kinsman
J. McM. Reid R. C. Gilmore
J. L. McAvity W. E. Denning
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Bowling Results In Local Leagues

CITY LEAGUE
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Following is the score:

Lions
Gavin . . . 104 104 98 306 102
Lemon . . . 81 110 97 288 96
Hanson . . . 84 88 76 248 82-2-3
Wilson . . . 103 78 130 311 103-2-3
Maxwell . . . 84 83 77 244 88-1-4

Nationals
Thurston . . . 104 84 84 272 90-2-3
Winchester . . . 106 102 112 320 106-2-3
Zimmerville . . . 105 95 94 294 95
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