

TWO FAMOUS XMAS DAYS

Were in 800 and 820 Years Later, in 1620.

Interesting Lore From Pen of Edward Everett Hale—Universal Peace Next.

One was Christmas Day in the year 800. The other was 820 years after, in the year 1620. What anno Domini? We shall see what we shall see.

The first, which I am about to describe, was in St. Peter's, at Rome. On that great Christmas Day Pope Leo III. crowned Charlemagne as the Leo III. of the Roman Empire.

With Hadrian, a strong ruler, Charlemagne had sometimes differences of great import. But they had respected each other. And when Leo was chosen as Hadrian's successor, he sent messengers to Charles to announce his election, and to take to him the keys of St. Peter and the banner of Rome.

Charlemagne had replied by a courteous embassy and a letter in which he had said that it was his duty to defend the Holy Church by arms, and to fortify it internally by the recognition of Catholic faith.

For reasons not now well understood, he was not long after cruelly attacked in the streets of Rome by ruffians. They tore him from his horse, beat him with sticks, and tried to put out his eyes and cut out his tongue.

The Duke of Spoleto, Charlemagne's officer in those regions, had at once come to his relief with an army, and kept him safe in Umbria, his own castle. The city of Rome itself was given over to anarchy.

What Leo might have liked to do, could he have chosen, we need not inquire. He found that he needed somebody to keep him alive, if he were to reign at Rome.

As history has rolled away its clouds, whether of smoke or of dust, it has appeared more and more distinctly that in the first establishment of the little colony at Plymouth constitutional democracy was born.

And now, at Christmas of the year 800, Charlemagne returns the visit. He had visited Rome more than once, but never had he come as now. He was practically the sovereign of Central Europe. His rule over his own Franks was undisturbed; he had beaten the Saxons, and had conquered the Lombard kings—so long the enemies of the Pope.

The business of the city and the gilt crosses of the church came out in long procession to meet him; and different nationalities resident in Rome were recognized in the crowds who cheered him as he rode by.

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Every man of them had grown up from his boyhood with the thought "of Christ-mass" as the day of days when no man worked, whatever else happened to him.

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Christmas carol in this rare new world. Was there perhaps some graceless boy who remembered how some graceless Stephano his comrades jured him away last May from more serious company, and took him to see the wonders of the Globe theatre?

There are no doubt that these two Christmas celebrations, if you care for results, have been the two most remarkable Christmas days in history.

The Vampire. A fool there was and he made his prayer. (Even as you and I.) To a rag and a bone and a hank of hair.

Oh, the years we waste, and the tears we waste, And the work of our head and hand Belong to the woman who did not know.

Oh, the toil we lost and the spoil we lost, And the excellent things we planned Belonged to the woman who didn't know why.

The fool was stripped to his foolish hide. (Even as you and I.) Which she might have seen when she threw him aside.

And it isn't the shame and it isn't the blame That stings like a white-hot brand, It's coming to know that she never knew why.

A woman there was and she made her prayer. (Even as women do.) To a tender voice, and a virile stare.

Oh, the days that haste and the time we waste, And the work of heart and brain, Is spilled for the one who did not see.

A woman there was and herself she saved. (Even as women do.) Honor and faith and affection brave.

Oh, the toy we lost, and the joy we lost, And the priceless gifts destroyed, By the reckless grip that did not see.

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SHOULD COME TO DAWSON

Where His Name Would Make Him Easy Living.

For cool, unadulterated nerve, an individual named Wm. Hunter certainly takes a front seat. He was charged in police court with the theft of a pair of gum boots from Jno. O'Leary, night watchman on the steamer charmer.

At Vancouver he had accosted the watchman inquiring what chances he would have of stealing a passage to Victoria. The watchman replied that he had better not try it, as he would undoubtedly be caught.

Of course the trip being made in daylight there was no necessity for the men to spend much time in the forecastle, consequently Hunter was undetected. It happened, however, that just as the steamer was within half a dozen miles of her destination Hunter felt somewhat cramped, and decided to woo the refreshing breezes, samples of which were reaching him in the shape of uncomfortable draughts.

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CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Montreal, Dec. 16.—Negotiations between a committee of the locomotive engineers on the eastern division of the Canadian Pacific Railway and Superintendent Spencer with regard to a new wages schedule, which have been in progress for the past fortnight, have resulted in an entirely amicable settlement of all differences, and the engineers have gone back to their homes satisfied with the concession made by the company.

MINISTER DEAD. Rev. William Black, former pastor of St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, died today at the residence of his sister, Mrs. John Greenhields, aged 62.

LOGS SWEEP AWAY. Richmond, Que., Dec. 16.—Floods on the St. Francis river broke the booms of the Royal Pulp and Paper Mills at East Angus on Saturday night, and released a million feet of logs. They are now passing Richmond, and will probably be saved by the booms of the Princeville Lumber Company at the mouth of the St. Francis river. Other mills have also lost a large quantity of logs. The loss will be heavy.

BOATS DAMAGED. Sorel, Que., Dec. 16.—Damage done to the Sincennes, McLaughlin and the Richelieu & Ontario fleets by the ice moving on Saturday night, are more extensive than at first reported. The former company's loss will be at least \$50,000, while that of the R. & O. will perhaps come to \$10,000.

KILLED BY GAS. Halifax, N.S., Dec. 16.—Wm. Morgan, 25 years' old, was killed this morning at Sydney by a blast of gas from a blast furnace.

CHAS. LUNDY DEAD. Halifax, N.S., Dec. 16.—Charles W. Lundy, superintendent here of the direct United States Cable Co., died tonight. He assisted in laying the first Atlantic cable, and received the first message over it.

LIVED OVER A CENTURY. Green Sound, Ont., Dec. 16.—Neil McFee, of the township of Normandy, county of Grey, is dead at the age of 101 years. His wife, aged 75, survives him.

ELECTRICIAN'S DEATH. Winnipeg, Dec. 16.—Rev. Canon Davidson, of Freilighsburg, near Montreal, is suing the Selkirk Electric Light Company for \$25,000 damages. A little over a year ago his son, a bright and promising young electrician, while in the employ of the company, was found by the watchman lying dead on the floor, his body being terribly burned. The case started here today before a special jury. Plaintiff alleges that the works, machinery and premises were defective. The defendants deny there were any defects in the works or machinery, or that there was any negligence on their part, and allege that if there was any defect Davidson knew of the same, and failed to give notice thereof to defendants. They allege that Davidson represented to them that he was a skilled electrician, and competent to manage the electric plant, and it was his duty before working the same to see if any part was out of order, and if so, to have repaired the same.

FOUND DEAD. Dutton, Ont., Dec. 16.—On Sunday morning the dead body of William G. Urtin was found lying in a chicken coop in the rear of his residence with two bullet wounds back of the ear. The circumstances were such that Dr. Long, coroner of Dutton, decided to hold an inquest, which was opened this afternoon, but adjourned pending the result of a post mortem.

AGAINST GAMBLERS

Interesting Proceedings Instituted in Vancouver.

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—Tupper, Peters & Gilmour are issuing writs against three gambling houses on behalf of G. C. Hinton, whose Vancouver manager, Geo. Cutler, embezzled \$1,700 and spent it in gambling houses in the city. The writs are of suits to recover the money.

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Advertisement for 'R' (likely a brand name) and 'Ship Co.' with various slogans and contact information for Seattle, Wash.

Advertisement for 'Pacific Steam Whaling Co.' and 'Successors to Pacific Steam Whaling Co.' with details about whaling operations and contact information.

Advertisement for 'The Burlington' and 'Successors to Pacific Steam Whaling Co.' with details about shipping services and contact information.

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