

And only that the Christmas cheer  
Brings hope to them for the coming year,  
Fond memory would again be blank  
And they once more a hopeless crank,  
But Dr. Clarke and his orchestra try  
To carry them back to the days gone by,  
    Of fireside lays  
    And golden days,  
When at Yule-tide they used to sing,  
Glory be to the New-born King;  
And thus once more they take a stand  
To trust in God, at His command,  
And never falter, till they are free  
And at home once more for a Christmas tree.

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#### WHOOPIING COUGH.

Eeroyd (*Med. Rec.*) writes that one of his patients has accidentally alighted on a cure for whooping cough. While carrying on experiments in his laboratory, at the time suffering for three weeks from the disease, hydrogen was generated. At once his trouble was ameliorated, the mucus disappeared, and when the inhalation was repeated a like result followed. A younger sister with a more severe attack also experienced immediate relief.

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#### PERSISTING HICCOUGH.

Kaungiesser (*Med. Klin. Berlin.*) reports a case following an attack of influenza. He first tried hypodermic of atropine sulphate, recently strongly recommended for this condition, but with no effect. After an hour and a quarter the patient was given 5 gms. citric acid and 5 gms. sod. bicarb., both in separate solutions, with resulting distension of stomach and pressure on the diaphragm from below. The procedure was a complete success, the hiccough ceasing at once.