HAPPY NEW YEAR, 1925

Happy New Year! Something magic In those words, that stir the heart! Old year's gone, with annuls tragic-And we'll take a frosh, new start! Put old riles and trials behind us; Turn our back on strife and stress. Hoping that the year Will find us

On the trail to happiness! Happy New Year! Don't the greeting Fairly make our pulses sing? Life is short, and time is fleeting. And the world's years swiftly wing! But this little life don't end it-What's in store for you and me; If we strive to wisely spend it-Then we'll glimpse the joys to be!

Happy New Year! It's God blessin' . To us here on earth, my friend; Old things pass, and troubles lesson, As the years come to an end; We have learned what life has taught.

And have heeded lessons learned, And are glad New Year has brought us Peace and love and joys-well

-James Hungerford

FLYING DUST

A correspondent of the Geographi cal Journal describes the remarkable alterations in the surface of the earth As the dead year is clasped by a dea produced by flying dust. The power of the wind to transport even moder- | So let your dead sine with your dear ately coarse rock, he writes, is almost incredible. Many of the broad valleys A new life is-yours and a between the eastern and the western We build our own ladders to climb slopes of the great Cordellera are alled with such deposits to a depth of Stand out in the sunlight of promise, hundreds of feet. The wind has nothing to do but to blow, and the sand nothing to do but fly," is the way an old prospector put it. In some places the We waste half our strength in a useformation of a dune many acres in extent and several feet high is a work done in a period of time that is measured by days rather than by months. In many comparatively small areas the time, The old southern mail stagecoach line had a station in Arizona Did the clouds drive you back? but that was almost uninhabitable on acwere you tempted and fell? let it ally all of them would leave in a-body. In northern Mexico flying dust and dust deposits are on an even greater scale, and the boundaries of the belts of-scoured-out-and-built-up-land-are less definite than in the dry region of the United States. At times the finer dust is blown across lowlands of the coast far out into the Guif. For any sad Many of the smaller streams of the West and the Southwest are heavily If he will but stand firm on the grav overloaded with sediment-that is, or was, wind-blown dust. Years ago o driver thus described the Platte: "You It is never too late to begin rebuilding, won't know when you're gettin' 'cross it, son, for it's a mile wide, and an inch deep, and the bottom's on top." The larger rivers, such as the Misplesippi, the Missouri and the Arkansas. are overloaded, but to a loss degree. As they cannot carry the sediment dolivered to them, they drop it and flow. round it. In past years, the lower Mississippi unquestionably flowed in every part of its wide flood plain, writing about the New Year and the turning Arkansas into Mississippi and correspondents will be expressing good Mississippi into Arkansas, building its wishes in their columns, but I thought bed and banks higher than the flood- I would also write a few paragraphs plain level and then abandoning them about New Year matters.

to make a new channel at a lower To their great annoyance and loss folks of those times regarding New some owners of property in Norfolk Years and the month of January. Lots and Hastings Countles in this Pro- of folks really believed then that as vince, have seen the blow sand pile up the year started so also would it conover fences, orchard trees and even tinue and that the first month would Wo story buildings.

CANADIAN APPLES KING OF THEM ALL

made, prove this beyond a shadow of of different kinds doubt. In flavor and palatability the Canadian-grown apple has no superior. An interesting and attractively gotten-up booklet published by the Fruit Branch at Ottawa, and obtainable at the Publication Branch, in establishing these facts, outline the produce of what is termed "the King of Fruits" in the country as a whole and in each of the apples growing provinces, gives details of the Fruit Act relative to the grading of apples, describes their food value, and suppiles upwards of a hundred recipes for making sauces, butter, concotions of various sorts, ples, puddings, relishes, salads, sto. in which the apple is the principal ingredient. Whether fresh, dried, evaporated or canned, or used in any way, the apple, the booklet points out, is a wholesome food, casily prepared, attractive and palat- frosts follow the thaw, the water is able at all times. It furnishes mineral frozen, and the ice over the grass and important nutritive value, and has medicinal virtue also, especially if eatveen meals. - It is mot difficult to wife should be without a box or barrol of Canadian-grown apples." To facilitate stocking up in this manner, ntatement is furnished in the booklet of the proper season or period during which various varieties should be used. extending over the nine months from Suptember in one year to May in the next, both inclusive-Issued by the Director of Publicity, Dominion Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

GOOD LUCK ALL ROUND

Farmer Giles, canvassing for mem-"George," he said, "he ye agoin'

for my raffle?" "How much?" asked Goorge "Five shillings," was the reply. "Put me down," answered George

"I won the first prize," said the far mer, "wasn't I lucky

"My' wife won the second, when't George patiently. "My darter; wasn't she lucky? the way you haven't paid me your "No," said George.

GOOD MANNERS

You do not really have good manners hundred years, no railway and no unless they are the sort that make steamship lines; one hundred and people feel at home. If your manners twenty-five years, no steam engine; are the kind that make some awkward two hundred years, no post office; boy wonder what to do with his hands three hundred years, no newspaper; or some untrained girl feel her lack five hundred years, no printing press; of development keenly, you have no one thousand years, no compass and reason to pride yourself upon them, ships could not go out of sight of Yes, but what do you want them for for they are very bad indeed. The land; two thousand years, no writing You don't keep a dog, do you?" botter your manners are the loss paper; but parchments, of (skin and)

ONE MORE WARMING A few days ago an automobile owner was found dead in his private garage. strongly charged with carbon -mon- electric heaters, electric ranges, elecoxide. The peroner decided it was tric trons, gasoline engines, gasoline mind how cold the weather is. If you saving devices for the home, the farm, must run your motor inside, make an the shop and for pleasuring pursuits. escupe for this deadly gas by running This looking backward is a great Hobbs nodded and smiled, a tube from the exhaust to a hole in employ for these holiday times of ours. employer continued: I to see that the people are any happier. You are the first at last."



The New Year's Resolve

forgetting

We sit by old tombs

blinding dust storms blow nearly half Did you faint in the race? Well, take While you take your place in the line of progression,

For look! how the bright of the New Year is gilding The worn, wan face of the bruised

REFLECTIONS ON THE NEW YEAR I have no doubt the editor will be

In my boyhood days I heard som very quaint proverbs from the old have a very marked influence over

those to follow. These old-time proverbs paid particular tribute to the weather. They were of course brought from the old country, where winter is milder and Canada has taken the foremost place shorter than in this Canada of ours the apple-growing world. Awards and many other parts of North Amerimade at the Imperial Fruit Show in ca. Of course this country with it London, England, and at every other broad expanse from east to west and show at which exhibits have been north to south, has various elimates

> "If the grass grows in Janiveer, It grows the worse for't all the year. In many parts of Canada we al know that no grass grows in "Janiveer." as the old folks used to cal

the first month, but at times such might be the case in some of our lati-

Another proverbs used to be: "Under water dearth; under snow

Probably that can be applied to number of places in Canada. A prolonged "January thaw" melts the gnow, and the water not being able to percolate through the frozen ground, accumulates on the surface of meadows or the fall wheat fields. Hard

Another old New Year proverb emember says: "March in January, January in March, I fear.' speaking of January, is "As the days grow longer, the cold grows stranger. January days, after the Christmus and New Year holidays, seem to be

longer than those of the months fol-LOOKING BACKWARD When I sit and reflect from been my privilege to sec of new invenn world-wide things, during my brief

eaveer. I go back ten years and the first controllable airship was jun coming into use in connection with the wireless telegraphy; twenty-five years nor radial lines; forty yours and there light; sixty years, and there was no phonograph and no sewing muchine seventy-five years, no telegraph; one tables of wax and clay. Go back far tools, no fron; no cloth; people at

acorns and roots and lived in caves and went maked or clothed themselves in the skins of-wild beasts. Within one generation there come into more or less general use Never tractors and multitudes of other labor

r more helpful to others, or me God-fearing, or more reverent th they were when I wan a boy, and wh plain, quiet frugal living and hone carnest, industrious foil prevailed.

THE NEW YEAR BEFORE US And now a new book is open befor us, wherein we are to write the sto: of a year. We cannot hope to ke. its pages spotless; but if we firm resolve, and honestly try to be mo. considerate, more cheerful; tender toward those whom we love; mo: charitable, less exacting-we-can !

our wisdom and folly direct.

incidents of the New Year. and in the affairs of life. The feeling favored me in a most peculiar manner. of better times is developing and folk I had approached one or two ' inare beginning to talk as though the fluential gentlemen who had promised sun is still shining, and shining he is to see what could be done, but no protimes, and dark, dank days make their Thvited to dinner at the Savoy Hotel

it. It depends on the length of vision,

effort on the home stretch.

been sitting by the fireside beside me on the left, and was very pleased to and we have been recalling together learn that it was Col. Amery, the First the things of past days which were in Lord of the Admiralty. Col. Amery, I'l the experiences of our long lives, we had remembered reading, was marjust naturally had to compare things ried to a Canadian lady, Miss Greenthen and now. Like the rest of you wood, sister of Sir Hamar, who has rewe hope to be spared to see this year cently been on a visit to this country. through, and with the intent to make I found him a most sympathetic listit a more useful year than those which ener to my request, and before the Though all into ruing your life seems have gone we are recording our new dinner was over he had announced in

Teacher-"What is a Plymouth Rock

Teacher-"What is a guitar?" Pupil-"A disease of the head." Teacher-"Who was .. Homer?" Pupil-"The guy that-"Babe Ruth

Teacher-"What is horse power?" Pupil-"The wife of a dead vege-

Teacher-"Spell receive!" Pupil-"G-E-T."

Pupil-"Where Teacher-"What is blgamy?"

Pupil-"An insanity that causes

Pupil-"One who seems to enjoy seeing others that do not have any

A MISTAKEN CONCEPTION conception of musical talent leads many to bolieve that only a few are born with a musical car whatever apply," says a bulletin of the National

a very unsentimental physician,

HELPING GRANDPA

oad his Family Horald and Weekly Little Jennie thought she would soon out that right so she trotted out of

She held the paper up to the glass. "There you are, grandpa," she called.

Jameson, "but the doctor has ordered

MAN'S COMPLIMENT ings until his Gorman employer threat owed to-discharge him. Then he was

You were penind

SEEING THE BRITISH FLEET Difficulties Surmounted by the Mana-

ger of the Canadian Press Party In his paper, the Renfrew Mercury Mr. Rupert Davles; the manager of the Canadian Editors' Party, describes in very interesting terms the difficulties great British Fleet, as follows:

When I was sent over to England in the spring of 1923 by the Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association sure that when we turn the pages in charged by some of those who were. roview a year hence we shall read the becoming much interested in the trip to endeavor to have permission grant-Although the making of New Year's ed for the Canadian editors to view the esolutions is a custom which has be- Grand Fleot. This was rather a tall Junior hockey team had their first come more and more the object of order, for as they say over there "it the humorous remarks of jokeamitha isn't done." Canadian Cabinet Miniand cynics, the good practice is one ster. Premiers of Provinces and other designed always to remain as part and high bival and military dignitaries parcel of modern manners and usage: from overseas dominions are usually, and one which represents the innate when they are in London, invited to urging to do better on the part of all most official functions, and the recent of us. As I said before the beginning royal review at Spithead was no exof a New Year is symbolic of the ception; as we have read in Billy opening of a new book, upon the white Low's interesting diary. But to get pages of which we write as fate and permission for 150 Canadian editors to view, the fleet and go aboard some

Naturally we enter upon the New of the big warships is another matter Year determined to do botter than in altogether. During the war a party the year just passed. We receive to of daily newspaper editors were taken let the dead past bury its dead, and over to England at the expense of the try to profit from the bitter lessons Imperial Government (the arrangeof experience. Imbued with this spirit ments having been made by Lord we meet the problems and every day Beaverbrook) and taken dout into the At this holiday season the spirit of That was in the dark slays when maoptimism is in the air. It has always terial had to be secured for inspiring day of January, 1925. been so. -But just now there seems to and encouraging newspaper articles. be reasonable hope that better timen These are peace days, and the fleet is are before us, both in material things carefully guarded. However, fortune The clouds may hide his face some- gress had been made. One night I was

appearance. But the clouds will be This was given to three Canadian dispersed and the dark days pass away, Newspapermen by the Empire Press then the sun will be seen in all his Union. Happening to be one of the majesty higher in the heavens. That's three, I was seated at the president's table, and was soon in the middle of the strength of gaze, the state of a most interesting conversation with mind, the hope of heart, the resolution a charming gentleman who was sitof spirit. Times may be bad, but they ting on my right, and to whom I had could be worse and the future still been introduced earlier in the evenremains. The prizes the future has to ing with a number of others, but whose who believe that the clouds will be new found friend was well posted on dispersed and the darkness give way Canada and Canadian affairs. Told down to light and are ready for the final me that he had broken a leg once while climbing the Rockies. At the Well, now, that's more moralizing first opportunity I turned to Sir Robert than I've done for many a day. But, Donald (then just plain Mr. Donald) couldn't-help-myself. As Mary has und asked him who was the centleman

resolutions and intend to work them a speech that he had promised to make arrangements for our party to visit the fleet in 1924. As might be expected, I was much clated. But as Burns says:

"The best laid schemes of mice and Gang aft agley." The Baldwin Government was turn d out of power and Col Amery was replaced by Lord Chelmsford: Efforts were made to interest him in the matter, and while negotiations took time. hid the aid of influential men in London had to be invoked when we arrived in London we found that on Wednesday, July 3rd, on the invitation of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty we were to leave Paddington station by special train for Weymouth where the Atlantic Squadron was stationed.

The visit to Weymouth proved to be a most enjoyable one. Weymouth is in Dorsetshire, some three hours ride ing and contents from \$45,000 to \$65, from London. It lies south of and is closely sheltered by the Dorset hills. The town is built around a beautiful bay which we were told is only rivalled by the Bay of Naples. It is quite un ancient town, tracing its history back to Roman times. In 1319 it sent its first members to parliament, and twenty-eight years later it sent 20 ships to join the fleet which sailed o besiege Calais. Thomas Hardy, the famous novelist, who is still alive and who has written many delightful novels of Wessex life, notably "Far from the Madding Crowd," " The Return of the Native," and "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," also wrote "The Trumpet Major" in which he deals with the block and may be entered from Wesresidence of George III. in Weymouth. We arrived at that station about 1.30 and were met by the Mayor wearing his official chain, the president of the Rotary club, also with an official chain on, and several prominent members hall when they gave their second anof the Masonic Lodge. We were es- nual concert, consisting of choruses, corted to the Pavillon, where we were dialogues, recitations, etc. There was greeted by a band playing "The Maple a marked improvement in their Leaf Forever." Here we were given an knowledge of English over a year ago official_welcome by the Mayor and and much credit is due to their teacher, aldermen, which was replied to by Mr. Mr. Alexander, for the advancement Harold Hale of the Orilla Packet, made, with the town. We were then taken on board a small ship and started for a visit of the fleet, which was anchored out in the harbor. The original plan on account of rough weather (on the sea) this had been abandoned and we the Admiral refusing to allow the com- ment of the school. . The publis, ir mander to attempt to transfer us to choruses, dialogues, marches and the man-of-war in such a rough sea. drills did their part in making the t certainly was rough, but although afternoon pleasant and profitable.the beat we were on pitched and roll- Herald. ed far worse than the channel steamer on the Sunday previous no one was sick. Possibly we were all interested viewing the various craft as we went n and out among them, that no one

ten had been prepared for us, which wo that hearkenoth to counsel is wise."

To the mind of Mrs. Abigail Jonnof Willowby could be really eccentric. As for anything beyond eccentricity. Mrs. Jennings would never have ad-"Now, Mrs. Jennings," said one of mean that you've never known Miss Gregg to do anything that you'd call

"No, I haven't," said Mrs. Jennings, with a firm and unyjelding expression about her prominent chin. "Why, what do you think of her sending that bag of eggs over to the Corners to Mrs. Cole, right in the box with her laundry work, and never tolling the stage-driver, and letting him throw the box right off?" inquir-

"I should say about that as I have valuable from a monetary viewpoint. lack a little in wisdom and forethought made necessary by recent legislation. But now now and again-but then, who doesn't, should increase the price of these ar-I'd like to know?"

Neighborhood News-Town and Country

D. S. Robertson has recovered from encountered in planning to visit the his illness of last week and is at Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bartleman. Timmins, Northern Ontario, are spend-"spy out the land." as it were, I was leman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A Milton's skating arend was official-

ly opened Monday night, when the

custom of most nations was starting at nunset instead of sunrise. Mr. and Mrs. E. Wilkingon ar spending the Christmas holldays with friends in Buffalo and Rochester, N. Y. Yesterday W. E. McCrendy, Sheriff's Balliff and Chief Lee Smith, of Burlington, escorted Wasgil Wilkowetski to the penitentiary, at Kingston, to serve four years for the Burlington Georgetown, a dismissed O. T. A. spot-

ter, formetly of Milton, was tried by Police Magistrate Shields on the charge of impersonating a provincial officer to search a motor car. He was convicted, severely remanded and released on suspended sentence. At the County Council last week the Clerk was instructed to advertise for the sale of \$69,000.00 debentures for Trafalgar, tenders to be in by the 27th

OAKVILLE-

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church thank the ladles of the town for their generous patronage and loyal support at their baznar hold December 12. Proceeds were \$625.00. An interesting 'choral service was held at the regular session of Knox Church Sunday School on Sunday afternoon. The scholars of this school are noted for their excellent singing under the leadership of J. S. Dyer. Dorothy Riley, who in the High School Entrance Examinations held last spring, received the highest marks

achieves this distinction. That Oakville has been dead for three years, and that only by an increase of population and careful regulation of municipal exponditure could normal prosperity be attained, were sentiments voiced at last Thursday's meeting of the Oakville Bust-

ness Men's Association. Mr. John Fisher, of the Bank of Montreal, Toronto, and a resident of Qakville, has been given a branch in Quion; Quebec. The new fire-hall at Bronte is about

complete except the addition of doors and windows. The new fire truck has not yet been delivered but is expected to arrive any time now. Two of the three wells to provide adequate water supply have been finished and the third is partly done. According to rumor, most of the

Library Board intend offering their esignations to the various bodies from which they receive their appointments. It is believed that they will take this course rather than change u decision, relative to the dismissal of the present librarian, to which the majority of the board agreed.

GEORGETOWN

Mr. Frank McGillvray has purchased from Mr. J. B. Mackenzle the new house he recently erected on George The High School Board has decide to increase the insurance on the build

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Anthony left last Wednesday morning for Detroit, Mich., where they will spend the holi days with friends. Mr. Morley Pettit has returned from lecturing tour of six States and Provincial Beekeepers' conventions. Dr. Joseph McAndrew has returned nome after spending nearly, two years

in Europe where he took special courses in medical work in a number of different countries. Messrs. J. N. O'Nelll & Son announce that their rest rooms for ladies rear of their offices in their fine new leyan Street. They are heated by

steam, comfortably furnished, and have n ladies' toilet in connection. A full house greeted the Armenia boys last Tuesday night at the town

efficient showed their appreciation by filling the large assembly room to its capacity. Mrs. H. W. Kennedy who. board for the past six years, occupied

thought of sea sickness. The people a mind of his own, but he should make of Weymouth are not only kind but sure that it is not of the type that resourceful. When it was found that wears long cars. Independence with we were not getting aboard the war- some people is only another name for ship for ten, the "watchman on the pfg-headedness. They would rather mountain top" was signalled from the break their necks against a brick wall bridge of our ship, and when we arriv- than listen to advice. "The way of a ed back at Weymouth a very inviting fool is right in his own eyes; but he were quite ready to enjoy. The two The more brains a man has, the more hours till train time was spent on the he is inclined to stop, look and histon, beautiful esplanade of this sea-side but "Fools rush in where angels four resort, which is one of the very finest to tread." When you are sure, don't in England. We reached London about go ahead until you have asked your eleven o'clock, tired, but certainly not wife or someone who is not seeing hungry, for an excellent dinner had things through colored spectacles, Many a man who has been cock sure has landed neck and crop in the goup even if he escapes fall. A man need not be like the waves of the sea, borne breeze, but he is a poor sailor who ings there was a sort of disloyalty in looks not at the skies as well as his admitting to any outsider that a native chart and compass, before setting his canvas. Plenty of us would have been healthier, wealthler and wiser, if we had harkened to counsel we might mitted it, even in the case of Miss have had for the asking. "He that Rachel Gregg, who was frankly called hearkeneth unto counsel is wise." Above all he is a wise man who has the nummer boarders, "do you really liberally and upbraided not."-Solomon, in Shoe and Leather Journal.

FACTS-THOUGH FISHY

The world's annual catch of herring

ers un average yield of 30,000 eggs Considering weight, the cod fishery "Woll," said Mrs. Jennings, calmly, the salmon fishery is by far the most said about a number of little things The standard packing of pickled Ruchel does and has done. She may herring, mackerel, alewives, salmon,

THE WORD FORTNIGHT

This is another word which, comof time should be reckoned in nights for over to the former? rather than days is only that the

HE FAVORED IT:

A man whose family pride was more marked than his love for music, asked a friend to come and hear his daughter sing. After she had finished, the proud father said to his friend: "Well-how do you like it? What do you think of

WHICH CLASS ARE YOU IN

There are two classes of people in mon in certain circles, seems inclined this world, One of these classes is Christmas time confection comes from to lapse into the obsolete. like the composed of the people who cheerfully New Orleans, and is especially to be old word "sennight" for geven nights, and willingly do their duty at all times, recommended for ear con because to Why "fortnight" should still be used and who, therefore, make possible all satisfies the craving for sweets with and "semight" forgotten is bard to the benefits any organization can give. a food that is digestible, nutritious answer. The more logical reason in fact, it may be gald that they are and has a toule effect on the system. seems to be, that while "a week" is the egentors of wealth. The other The figs should first be steamed until easier to say than "cennight" the class are the ones who want all the they are very tender. This may be of word "fortnight" comes more readily benefits and all the good things of life, done conveniently in an enameled ward to the toligue than "two weeks." As but they are not willing to contribute steamer with a removable rack. When language always chooses the eastest their share toward the production the figs have cooled remove the sotpath, we have dropped the sennight, thereof. To which of these classes do centres and chop this portion fine but even the word "fortnight" is slip- you belong? If to the latter, do you with a few nuts and candled fruite, ping away. The reason why a period not think that, you dught to trans- Fiff the figs with this mixture and

The Sunday School lady saw several of her pupils engaged in some interesting game. "What are you doing?"

gest lie," replied-Susy. "The winner is to get this piece of pie." "Oh," said the shocked Sunday School lady, "I never told a lie!" --The little girls looked at one anfor the office boy, I hold the lowest poother. "Give her the pie," said Susy.

dlp them in unaweetened chocolate which has been bolled in an enamoled ware double boller. The chocolate coating will keep the figs soft and moist for a considerable time.

CHOCOLATE COVERED FIGS

ROOM FOR PROMOTION

Have you good chances of promo "We're seeing who can tell the blgtion?" asked Mr. Potts of the aspirant to his daughter's hand, The youth was one of those cheery optimistic souls. "Rather!" he exclaimed. "Except



iears kesolution

The same evening the same speeches were delivered from the other six broad

In Montreal the speech of Mr. Robb was delivered in French as a compliment to

Never before has simultaneous broadcast been attempted on such a large scale

casting stations operated by the Canadian National-Railways in Moncton, Winnipeg.

Saskatoon, Regina, Calgary and Edmonton, so that the messages received a Dominion-

the French-speaking Canadians, but it was translated into English at all the other sta-

wide circulation within the space of a few minutes.

tions not directly tied-in with CNRM.

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