

us that this is Christmas morn-

And it's time that we were rising, though the hour isn't late. Still, the kidlets will be flocking, each to overhaul his stocking, And there's scads of things we've

got to do that really cannot wait. Yet, before we kick the clothes off (quite determined not to doze off), Let's indulge in dreamy musing on this joyous Christmastide; Let us, while the bells are pealing, get up some real Christmas feeling, Fill ourselves with sweet emotions that are not quite cut and dried. True, the minutes fast are gliding, but, consarn 'em, let 'em glide.

Think of these long weeks of waiting, all the glad anticipating Of the gay and festive season that at last, at last is here; Never resting, never stopping in our mad career of shopping, Searching over the ideal, not too cheap and not too dear; Crushed and elbowed in the reeking crowds, that like ourselves are seeking Just the very thing of all things that their loved ones most desired. Limp and draggled then emerging from the pushing, struggling, surging Mob, with parcels overladen, reaching home at last, dog tired. Those experiences may be best described as "most all-fired."

Yet no antiquated stoic showed endurance more heroic Than we've manifested through the weary ordeal of that time; We have stood the stress of barter with the courage of a martyr; Now we find sweet compensation list'ning to the Christmas chime,

Whose clear cadence, soft and mellow, seems to whisper to a fellow That the worst is nearly over, that we soon may breathe again, Soon may find surcease of sorrow, and that, maybe by tomorrow Or the next day, may be lifted something of this mental strain, That a blessed sense of rest may soothe the tissues of our brain.

We have done with haste and flurry, no occasion new to worry, Lest some sensitive relation may have been quite overlooked. All the lists of names are checked and all the walls with green are decked, an Now within a few short hours the Christmas dinner will be cooked. Hail to Christmas! happy season! There is some substantial reason To be gleeful at thy advent-the beginning of the end.

As thou comest wreathed with holly, we can certainly be jolly, Welcome thee with feast and wassail, and in general unbend, For we know that we have spent for thee the last cent we can spend!



Now the door bell will cease ringing to the people who were bringing An endless string of packages from morn to dewy eve:

no longer will be running to conceal those things with cunning, and we'll lose our wonted air of having something up our sleeve. There will be a deuced litter, when

the gewgaws gleam and glitter, Of waste paper, string and cotton, from the kitchen to the hall; But, with consciences elastic, we will grow enthusiastic And "wonder how they guessed," as on the donors' necks we fall, Looking blissful over dewdads that we didn't want at all,

Ah, this blessed thing of giving! It is half the joy of living To watch the looks of gratitude and pleasure and surprise That, at least to outward seeming, are upon loved faces beaming-As the loved one opens his parcel and digs out his gaudy ties. And the gentle wife and mother her emotion tries to smother When conducted by her husband, to some secret corner, where, As a proof of fond affection, he has hid from her detection, His gift to her, a cozy, costly, well-upholstered chair (Of whose comforts, in the future, you may bet he'll get his share).

Now this Christmas spirit moves us to To keep Poverty's bare platter and fill Destitution's cup.

Bring turk and pie and gladness to the homes of empty sadness! To help out sweet Christmas charity who would not loosen up?

But it's highly aggravating not to say exasperating, When we've given most nobly and without thought of stint, To find out, as we expected, that the modest are neglected And our princely benefaction hasn't found its way to print, (Certainly we didn't ask it, but a man might take a hint).

But away with sad reflection! This is no time for dejection. Merry Christmas, happy Christmas, as we said, has come at last! All the many tribulations, all the trials and vexations That have crowded thick upon us for the last six weeks, are past, Not a protest shall be uttered, though the house with toys is cluttered

And the kids are all parading to the sound of horn and drum, Lusty lung and larynx voicing the extent of their rejoicing. We will have to stand the racket now that Christmas day is come. (Later tone our nervous system at some sanitarium).



Thank the Giver if we're able to sit 'round a well-spread table. Where the plump white-bosomed turkey sheds its savor through the room.

And pudding comes on smoking, and there's no end to the joking. And no heart that harbors malice and no mind o'ercast with gloom,

Let us be profoundly grateful that we have at least a plateful, Grateful for the pepsin tablets that correct our Christmas cheer; Hold it as among our mercies if there's coin left in our purses, Be thankful for those dear to us and those who hold us dear. (And most supremely thankful Christmas comes but once a year). (Copyright, 1911, Western Newspaper Union)

It Forecasts the Perfect Social Conditions Which Will Fulfill the Promises of Christ.

Christmas is not only a fact com- ored woman with His sympathetic and memorating the one sacred festival appreciative regard. He is yet to rein the world's calendar, but the glor- lieve her from every form of serfdom Buller and Capt. Graham. ious prophecy of a coming day, sur- created by the past ages. He took passing all the brightest social dreams little children in His arms and blessed killed and Col. Lowther and Capt. that have ever visited the most ad- them. He is yet to make blessed the Graham wounded. vanced human mind. He sprang, on child life in every welcoming home. His human nature side, from kings He gave His peace to His distracted and peasants, from saints and sinners. disciples. He is yet to make wars He is yet to lift every peasant to the cease unto the end of the earth. He Princess Mary's gift book, just pubkingliest throne of character and trans- united His brethren with Himself and lished in London, is Ralph Connor's form the chief of sinners into the His Father in one unbroken oneness, five-verse poem, entitled "Canada's Toronto Saturday Night. holiest of saine. He allied Himself He is yet to make every man a brothwith poverty and the common people. er to his fellow-man and at one with He is yet to banish poverty with all his Father in Heaven.

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CHRISTMAS IS A PROPHECY | its ills, from the world, and to give to common humanity their rightful officers attached to the duke's staff sovereignty. He worked with His left to join their regiments, while hands for His daily bread. He is yet Col. Lowther had gone over some to dignify and glorify in the thought of mankind all honest toll. He hou-

The bravest are the tenderest; the | Women have a trick of believing only that they wish to be true. She must first be pure that under- | God and man think him a fool who brags of his own greatness. A pebble and a diamend are alike leak will sink a ship.

AN OLD-TIME STORM.

Great Blow on Lake Ontario

Fifty-Five Years Age. Mr. Louis H. Daniels, of the Daniel's Hotel, Prescott, who was a steamboat agent in Front street, east of Yonge, Toronto, in 1855-60, has sent the Toronto Telegram a paragraph recalling the great storm which swept Lake Ontario on Wednesday, the 25th November, 1856. There are many old time Ontarians who will remember that day and a few of the mariners who are still about and who sailed the lake in the fifties will also remember the great gale. Mr. Daniels writes:

"It will be 55 years on Wednesday, Nov. 25, since L. H. Daniels, of Prescott, and the late T. D. Shipman, left the American Hotel on the northeast corner of Front and Yonge streets, Toronto, and boarded the fine steamer Zimmerman, Capt. Milloy, bound for Niagara-on-the-Lake and Lewiston, on her daily routine trips. The Zimmerman was a large side-wheeler named after the late Samuel Zimmerman, who was one of the killed at the Desjardin Bridge accident, which occurred in the spring of 1857.

"The morning was dark and eminous, with a rattling breeze from the northeast. As we proceeded southward the force of the storm greatly increased. We landed at Niagara to transact some railroad business there, and joined the big steamer on her return from up the river. Soon after leaving the dock, the dinner bell was sounded and some forty passengers, nearly all gentlemen. proceeded below to partake of sumptuous repast. Soon after many of these left the table as it was becoming decidedly rough. Capt. Duncan Milloy was one of the number. He left at once for the pilot house. where three or four big, stalwart men were in control of the wheel. The big 'Golden Lion,' an ornament on top of the pilot house, was blown down, some thirty feet of her starboard bulwarks were smashed in, and the water had free course across her decks. Several of the big rods supporting her smoke stacks were broken away, and after three hours battling with the frightful storm, we returned to Niagara, realizing we had had a narrow escape from a serious shipwreck."

Mr. Daniels was for forty years the agent of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company at Buffalo and. Toronto in the fifties and in Prescott. in later years. In 1860 he left Toronto, and in 1862 entered the hotel business at Prescott, of which place he was mayor in 1908-9. He was one of the best known men in the city during his residence. He sold out his hotel in Prescott last July, as he thought at 82 years of age it would he a good thing to retire from business. T. D. Shipman, who died in Quebec a few years ago, was also a well known steamboat man, and was chief agent of the R. and O. Company at Quebec, while Mr. Daniels was the Toronto agent. Shipman was a keen, sharp business man and had lots of friends amongst the Board of Trade men and marine men during his restdence in Toronto.

Program Is Kept Up.

The Government program for the development of New Ontario did no: suffer to any material extent during the fiscal year of 1914, which has just closed. Any retrenchment that might have been thought necessary in view of financial conditions in the country did not materialize until the year's work was completed, and the total appropriation for last year, out of the five millions set aside for this purpose, was spent under Commissioner Whitson, according to intentions. Premier Hearst, who is still carry on the duties of Minister of Crown Lands, gave the year's figures

In all, the expenditure for 1914was \$802,578.18, a sum somewhat less than that of last year. These expenditures have now taken \$2,067. 998 out of the total New Ontario ap-

propriation One new venture of the department has worked out very satisfactorfly. The demand of prospective settlers for a knowledge of the crop possibilities of the north decided the Government to establish several experimental farms, and these have already proven tueir worth. With \$9,000 for this work, farms have been worked at Cochrane, Hearst, Groundhog and other points. The root crops have shown wonderful growth and the wheat returns are also encouraging.

been on good roads, and that the work is still proceeding. It is probable that the permission to export pulpwood, granted last year, will be continued through the fall and winter because of unemployment troubles. This permission originated with the vast quantity of blown-down timber following the fall storms, and Premier Hearst will ask the House for the privilege of its renewal if local markets cannot be had. It is

The bulk of the expenditure has

Many On Battle Line.

purely an emergency condition.

The announcement that Capt. Alan Graham, A.D.C., figures in the list of wounded at the front, while not confirmed by any news received at Ottawa, directs attention to the fact that no one institution is quite so well represented in the battle line as is Rideau Hall.

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