

Thoughts for New Year.
 "Happy New Year! I wish you a Happy New Year!" The words go ringing through the house, upstairs and down, like some glorious chime. And as I wish to be in the general rejoicing, I, too, wish everyone a Happy New Year, and especially my Household Realm friends.

Why should we not rejoice and be happy together? The old year was a happy one, but may not the new year be happier still? Is not this the season for new beginnings?

When the old page of life is blotted and soiled with mistakes and erasures, we are glad to get to the bottom of the page and turn a clean, fresh leaf; and one of the greatest charms of the new year is, that it marks a time for turning over a new leaf. The old year may have been one of hope and disappointment, but the beginning of the new year is full of hope and anticipation. It is a chance to commence over again. No wonder then, that it is a season of good resolutions as well as happy wishes; yet these self-same good resolutions are often the very rocks upon which many bright hopes are shipwrecked.

Do not "swear off" on too many faults at once, it is dangerous, and I will tell you why.

In the first flush of a new beginning our hopes run high and we feel equal to anything. I doubt whether there are as many noble thoughts in mind on any other day in the year as upon New Year's day. Mistakes are to be remembered, faults are to be left in the background, and bad habits cast to the four winds. There is no thought of failure. Is not this a new beginning? Good resolutions are made by the yard, and the first days of the new year are full of energy and noble purposes. We are treading upon clouds.

But alas! for poor, weak, human nature. Our clouds part in the middle and we come down with a thump. The mistakes which we thought could be so quickly remedied, loom up before us like mountains. Faults stubbornly refuse to stay in the background, and habits cling to us like burrs. Is it any wonder that rising, weak and disheartened, we decide that there is not much use in trying again? Our new page is spoiled. There is a big blot on the very first line. And so we slip back into the same old careless ways of the past, more weary and discouraged than ever.

I do not believe in making new year's resolutions unless due allowance is given to the exalted state of mind at this time, and a wide margin is left for inevitable mistakes and failures. It is not possible to be rid of faults at a single bound. One cannot be good all at once. Habits blind like fetters of steel and it is impossible to throw them on and off at will. It takes time and patience.

The new year, however, is full of possibilities to those who are undaunted by failures. A supreme faith in one's self and one's undertakings is half the secret of success, and close application and honest purpose is the other half. We are indeed—as some one has said—"architects of our own fortunes. Would it not be well then to choose the old Latin quotation, "Possum quia posse videtur" (You can because you think you can), for our motto during the coming year?

And as for the happy wishes, let us all help them to come true by trying to brighten the world a little for all with whom we may come in contact.—Household Guest.

A Whirl of Revelry.

Mary Nimmo Valentine, writing of "New Year's Day in the White House" in the Woman's Home Companion, thus describes the public receptions: "Announcements are published in the newspapers proclaiming the levee at the White House, and the exact minute at which the different officials of the government service will be received, but it is usually near one o'clock before the sovereign people are admitted to the grounds.

"The state levee at the white house is but the beginning of the calling that continues throughout the afternoon and well into the night in official and private houses. The official social season is inaugurated on New Year's day in Washington. It is the grand rallying day of the neighborhood proclivities of the people of the entire district. Many men make their first and last visit of the year on this day, and only see certain of their friends on this one day of the year. As they grow older these festival days seem to come closer and closer together. Lists are published in the newspapers of the houses where receptions will be held, with the names of the ladies who will assist in receiving. The assisting lady often attracts more callers than the hostess, and newly arrived families are on the lookout for popular women for their New Year's day reception. There is no need to interrupt the grand round of calls for luncheon or dinner; the carriage is hired for the day, and, dressed in his very best, the caller must see all the old friends and make as many new ones as time will permit. Everywhere open house is kept in the lavish southern fashion. Tables are loaded with viands hot and cold, supplemented with real southern egg-nogg, or a bowl filled from the housekeeper's winter supply of Fish house punch, mixed from a well guarded formula that is an heirloom in Philadelphia families. This gala day comes for Washingtonians but once a year, and it is celebrated with true southern warmth and enthusiasm."

A Habit of His.
 Major—Going to swear off drinking this year, old man?
 Minor—I suppose so. I generally do.
 —Town Topics

GOVERNOR OF OREGON Uses Pe-ru-na in His Family For Colds and Grip.



CAPITOL BUILDING, SALEM, OREGON.

A Letter from the Executive Office of Oregon.
 The Governor of Oregon is an ardent admirer of Pe-ru-na. He keeps it continually in the house. In a recent letter to Dr. Hartman he says:

State of Oregon, Executive Department, Salem, May 9, 1898.
 The Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio:
 Dear Sirs:—I have had occasion to use your Pe-ru-na medicine in my family for colds, and it proved to be an excellent remedy. I have not had occasion to use it for other ailments. Yours very truly, W. M. Lord.
 Any man who wishes perfect health must be entirely free from catarrh. Catarrh is well-high universal; almost omnipresent. Pe-ru-na is the only absolute safeguard known. A cold is the beginning of catarrh. To prevent colds, to cure colds, is to cheat catarrh out of its victims. Pe-ru-na not only cures catarrh, but prevents. Every household should be supplied with this great remedy for coughs, colds and so forth.

It will be noticed that the Governor says he has not had occasion to use Pe-ru-na for other ailments. The reason for this is, most other ailments begin with a cold. Using Pe-ru-na to promptly cure colds, he protects his family against other ailments. This is exactly what every other family in the United States should do. Keep Pe-ru-na in the house. Use it for coughs, colds, la grippe, and other climatic affections of winter, and there will be no other ailments in the house. Such families should provide themselves with a copy of Dr. Hartman's free book, entitled "Winter Catarrh." Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.
 As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Cautious Griggs.
 Griggs—You seem to think a good deal of Spooner, but I notice you are the only one of his acquaintances who does not lend him money.
 Griggs—No. The fact is, I don't want to lose his friendship. I'm afraid if I lend him money he won't be so eager to see me.—Boston Transcript.

Very Doubtful.
 "The sultan is going to have a warship built in one of our big shipyards."
 "Say, I wonder if he'll send over one of the girls from the harem to christen it?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Don't wait until it begins to sprinkle before starting to lay up money for a rainy day.

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Sharing the Fun.
 "I suppose I came home late last night?" he said to his wife.
 "You did!" she answered, shortly.
 "Full!"
 "Very."
 "They say I am very amusing when I am that way?"
 "Very amusing. You were so delightfully entertaining, in fact, that I could not bear to think of depriving the servants of such a pleasing and elevating impersonation, and so I called them all up to enjoy your merry antics. How they laughed!"
 "The deuce they did!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Learning How.
 "Doesn't it make trouble to have your daughter go to cooking school?"
 "No; she wants to cook at home."—Chicago Tribune.

A Life Saver.
 "My wife asserts that she saves my life at least once every year."
 "How's that?"
 "She won't let me go hunting."—Chicago Record.

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Faded hair recovers its youthful color and softness by the use of PARKER'S HAIR BALM. HENDERSON, the best cure for corns. 16c.

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Intervals in an Exciting Race.
 "Ma, when I get big I'm goin' way off to be a pirate."
 "Are you, Bobby?"
 "Yes; but don't you get scared; I'll come home at night to sleep."—Chicago Record.

An Examination Required.
 Agent—Wish to get an accident policy—yes, sir. Live in New York?
 Applicant—Yes.
 Agent—How far can you jump, and what distance can you cover in two hops, three skips and a leap?
 "Eh? What do you want to know that for?"
 "You expect to cross Broadway occasionally, don't you?"—New York Weekly.

Dyeing is as simple as washing when you use PUTNAM FADELESS DYES.

Man of Prominence.
 "Who is that haughty looking collegian who just entered the grounds? Is he the captain of the eleven?"
 "Captain of the eleven! I guess not. The captain isn't in it with that lad. That's Bigsby, the chief rooster."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

What Shall We Have for Dessert?
 This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it today. Try Jell-O, a delicious and healthful "boiling" prepared in two minutes. No boiling! No baking! add boiling water and set to cool. Flavors:—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. At your grocers, 10 cts.

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Diseases of the Kidneys
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U. S. SENATOR DAVIS DIES FROM KIDNEY DISEASE.
 Senator Davis made a prolonged and gallant fight with disease.
 The trouble, of which the kidney affection was the fatal outcome, first appeared about Sept. 20.
 Trouble Stealthily Encroached.
 The trouble had, however, stealthily encroached upon a vital organ, and on Nov. 11 examination of the urine proved the presence of inflammation of the kidneys.
 Both acute nephritis and diabetes made their appearance, and Dr. Murphy, of Chicago, was summoned. He agreed with Drs. Stone and Lankester as to the presence of these serious ailments in acute form, and, while not making any public statement, he made known privately to some of Senator Davis' business associates his opinion that the case was hopeless.

To those, however, who were familiar with the symptoms of acute kidney troubles the bulletin held ominous information, the rapid respiration, fluctuating pulse, delirium and approaching coma telling the story of death's nearness.
 —St. Paul Dispatch.

Mr. J. C. Schoch, of DuBois, Pa., convinced beyond the shadow of a doubt that Morrow's Kid-Ne-Oids cure kidney troubles promptly and to stay cured.
 "For about a year I had a dull, heavy pain in the small of my back, which would be attended by a sharp, stinging pain when lifting or stooping over. On account of the pain in my back I could not sleep and get proper rest, and would feel dull and tired when arising in the morning instead of fresh and vigorous. When Morrow's Kid-Ne-Oids were first advertised I did not have much faith in their curative qualities, but after seeing them recommended to relieve symptoms like my own, I procured some at Voshurg's drug store, and took them according to directions. In a few days the pain in my back stopped. The Kid-Ne-Oids have done away with that dull, tired feeling and I am enjoying better health than I have for years." Mr. Schoch, lives at 117 Olive Ave.

DuBois, Pa., and is always glad to say a good word for that peerless kidney remedy—Kid-Ne-Oids.
 Mrs. Gold Campman 48 River St., Sharon, Pa., graphically describes her condition before and after she used Morrow's Kid-Ne-Oids, hoping by so doing she will help some other woman to get rid of the debilitating backaches so common to the female sex.
 Sharon, Pa., Nov. 8, 1900. John Morrow & Co. Dear Sirs:—"I take pleasure in recommending your medicine to the public in the hope that it may benefit others as it has me. Three years ago in March I was attacked with a severe fever which left me in a miserable, weak condition. About one year ago, after my kidneys became affected, the pain in my back was so bad I could not sit up or lie down. I saw Morrow's Kid-Ne-Oids highly recommended and procured a box and took them according to directions, which resulted in a cure. I have taken in all three boxes and consider the medicine so good for kidney troubles that I will take no other."
 Yours truly, Mrs. Gold Campman.
 Graphic interview given our reporter by Mrs. D. S. Sterner, of Altoona, Pa., who suffered for years with kidney troubles.
 "I suffered several years with kidney trouble and did considerable doctoring, even going to the hospital for a time, but it seemed that my disease was incurable. My suffering was terrible, especially with my back. I saw Morrow's Kid-Ne-Oids advertised and recommended so highly by other persons whose symptoms were similar to my own that I decided to try them. I began to improve in two or three days after I commenced to take them, and continued to improve until the pain in my back has all disappeared. I have felt like a new person since taking Kid-Ne-Oids and am only too glad to be able to recommend such a valuable medicine." Mrs. Sterner resides at 1615 7th Ave., Altoona, Pa.

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