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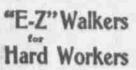
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If we could take kinematographs of our lives, or get them taken for us, how interesting it would be, at any rate to the individual himself; and what trouble it would obviate in biographies and autoblographies! In such a case not many people. I suppose, would like to set the entire most friendly eyes.

But memory, with her magic, can pering this at the present Christmas season, inclosed the message should be written allowing myself to bring back, without any sequence, the Christmas days spent abroad; and the effect has been not without a cer- send a Christmas gift. tain charm and amusement, so different at the scenes which the mind can conjure

There is one home recollection which comes first, because it was a typical Christmas day in the old style. There stands its stream, a mansion, where the host was and a prodigious feast, wherein a huge countains, and a plum pudding, immense, generous, fragrant beyond all perfumes of Araby, bedecked with berried holly, and burning with blue fire like a culinary Vesuvius. After the feast, music and more quadrilles, and then-what makes it always more memorable for me-a country dance, which seemed interminable as it was delightful, because it was my privi-"Sir Roger de Coverley" with a poetess for my partner. She was Eliza Cook, quite famous then, although, I suppose, not many now could repeat "The Old Armchair," or any other of her then popular pieces. As enough to fail asleep afterwards at her side, I was old enough to be able to please her by reciting certain of the verses of one who seemed to me in those impressionable bey when I think of Christmastides at

Among the Dutch.

What comes next? Ah, such a different cene! A Christmas day in Holland, with the green polders, endless straight roads, and gigantic dikes of that amphibious land which the sturdy Dutchmen have won from the sea. I was at Rotterdam with two college friends. Having outrun our ready money it was necessary to replenish the exchequer by finding out a certain mutual acquaintance holding a high educational post. Deputed to discover him, I was sent into the country, and, mistaking the directions given me by a Dutch lamplighter. found myself on Christmas evening eighteen miles away from Rotterdam, in a little village named Nord Vyk Nobody I met could speak English or French, and I had no Dutch. Hungry, weary and half frozen, I met a local "predikant" who un- to her: derstood Latin, and the language of Cicero great house mentioned, where I found a and me will know?" grand old Dutchman, gray bearded, with his wife, stately, stout, and richly dressed,

the lady gave me a warm padded jacket, the nice little Dutch boy himself brought paupers in the almshouse. a chafing dish on which to place my benumbed feet, and I had a royal Christmas-

tide, after all. The Festival in India.

Then the Indian Christmas days come tablishes itself only in an artificial manner in that tropical country, amid landscapes which nowhere lend themselves to the old as she carried them from house to house, associations. Yet we keep it resolutely. and the household servants, recognizing it her voice softer. It seemed to her that as a "burra rog"-a great day of the sahibs decorate the bungatow with what the 'mallee" imagines to be most like helly and mistletoe. But on the dinner table the reast beef is the hump of a zebu, the pudding has been imported, and even the mince ples. At night you hear no better Christmas carol than the never falling yells of the jackals, but, instead of wintry winds. the soft air of the Indian night breathes gently through the feathers of the palm

Then how can I forget that winter season in Corsica, when we had exchanged the sleet and mud of London for the sunny ranges round Ajaccio, and those slopes overed with aromatic shrubs, which fill he air with fragrance, but inhabited by a copie who for the first time explained to ne Napoleon? Small girls and boys there took boundless delight in watching the killing of pigs in the public street, and "sportsmen" shoot every thrush, blackbird, lark and finch found in the

maquis. Egypt and America,

What year it was exactly when I passed another such anniversary at Cairo I forget. but we were sitting at table d'hote in Shepheard's hotel when the sad news came of the disaster to the Scotch express at the Tay bridge. I remember my Christman tide in Egypt all the more because I that day enjoyed a conversation upon the subject with Nubar Pasha and Sir Richard Burton, to find at the end of it that the

PACKAGES FOR DISTANT ONES Suggestions Regarding the Wrapping, the Address and Mode of Shipment. As a usual thing the gifts for the last to be bought. Those which must be

to my surprise, on an afternoon not espe cially chilly, the thermometer marking 3 degrees below zero. On that Christmas

time it was that I tasted the swift joy of siling on an iceboat, the most enchanting

kind of locomotion which has ever been

sent to a distance should be attended to first. All packages to be sent abroad should have gone before this, and in sending to places in the United States at least on extra day should be allowed over the usua amount of time. Remember also that although it takes a littly longer, valuable gifts should go by registered mail or express and that small boxes containing lewelry are not delivered by ordinary mail Just a word about packing-when the gifts are bought they should be ticketed and placed in a spare closet, so that they will not be forgotten nor left where they will become soiled through handling When sending to a distance some regard series in motion from beginning to end, for size and danger of breakage must be without suppressing a film here and there, considered, although in sending cut glass unless the exhibition were only for the or china the shops will pack for express-

age if asked to do so. The value of the gifts is enhanced if it form for each of us something resembling is properly tied up and sealed in true what I have suggested; especially if we Christmas fashion. A Christmas greating take some particular day of the year and should be written on the card sent with a allow recollection to make the recurring gift, and these may be bought already anniversary of that special date mark the written and decorated with holly, if so subject of our thought. I have been try- desired, If the ordinary visiting card is straining after strict chronology or exact have a pen line run through it if the donor knows the recipient well enough to

Burntwood, when packed to be shipped should first be wrapped in tissue paper up again and so vivid the associations re- and then in heavy felt paper before the final outside wrapper is put on

It is better to write the address right on the package if it is to be sent by mail because a tag may get torn off or a pasted never be delivered. A pacage sent by on the bank of the Thames, midway upon mail should have no writing within, ex cept a card, according to postal rules.

The address of the outside should be a youthful schoolboy, one of his happy written legibly on the outside of every guests. He gave us, in his great hall, a package, so it can be traced. A photo feast in the antique manner. We had the graph should be packed with a piece of Yule log dragged in, with mummers and heavy cardboard just a little larger than masqueraders, to blaze gloriously in the itself. In tying with string, cross the spacious hearth, with a "Lord of Misrule" string, which should be strong, twice each and his retinue fantastically equipped, way and pass it around the transverse Then there was dancing in the ancient way, string each time they pass in the middle. When the recipients live in the city i punch steamed on the crowded is an excellent plan to dispatch gifts by board, amid boar's head, mighty joints of a trustworthy messenger. In this case roast beef, a gigantic twelfth cake, flam- they should be done up in tissue paper ing dishes of snapdragon, mince pies in and fancy ribbon and then inclosed in a

Christmas candy should be ordered early because it will be sure to be carefully eve for purchasing bonbons generally have to take what they can get, rather than just what they want. Christmas ribbons and calendars too will be getting scarce, lege to go up and down to the music of mucht to be Christmas bundles ought to be wrapped up and ready for de livery within a day or two, whether they are to be sent or delivered by hand.

#### AMENDS FOR LOST CHRISTMAS

for me, it was paradise; for, while young How One Seared Soul Filled Every Day in the Year With Christmas Joy.

From a little southern village comes to think of that Christmastide at Ingress ab- Christmas out of her year. Just before the day, misery and disgrace, and, at last, crime came into her family. She carried the load for a while, and then fell under it, sick unto death. The blessed day dawned and passed, but she was lying unconscious and knew nothing of it. When she came to herself the people of the town had forgotten that there ever had been a Christmas. But the day had always counted for much to Jane. It seemed to her like a word of cheer from God Himself on her weary climb upward, giving her hope and strength and endouragement for

the whole year to come. Jane kept the village postoffice. She was was old, and had a secret allment which at times tortured her. But when she took up her work on the very first day that she was able to do so, it suddenly occurred

"Why not pretend that this is Christmas took me safely under his guidance to the day, and keep it, though nobody but God

She opened the window, and as she gave out the letters had a cordial word for every wearing spiral gold earrings, and bearing one of the neighbors outside-children and rich family jewels on her ample bosom, hard-worked women and feeble old men. with her little son in holiday attire of They went away laughing and surprised, black velvet and lace collar, preparing to but strangely heartened. When the office sit down at a glorious supper table, in a was closed, she bethought herself of gifts, and baked some of her famous crullers Mynherr laid aside his long clay pipe, and carried them to folk so poor that they never had any crullers, and to the old

She astonished each of them, too, with the gift of a dollar.

"I can do with my old cloak another year," she thought, "and they will feel rich for days!" "In His name," she said nto recollection. The hallowed epoch es- to herself as she gave each of her poor presents.

The little gifts held out for a long time her face growing kinder as she went and never before had there been so many sick, unhappy folk in the town. Surely it was right to make them glad that He had ome among us-even if it were not Christ-

mas day? But she could not sleep for thinking of other poor neighbors to whom she might have given some little comfort or pleasure. "Why not make them happier that He has come, tomorrow, as well as today? she thought, with a shock of delight in her discovery.

So it came to pass that this little postmistress made a Christmas out of every day in that year for her poor neighbors. When she had no more gifts for them she threw herself into their lives; she nursed them when they were sick, dragged them up when they fell, cried with them when they suffered, and laughed with them when

And thus it was that she taught them of her Master and led them to be glad every day of the year that He had been born Harding Davis in St. Nicholas.

#### IS MOUNTAIN CLIMBING NECESSARY TO REDUCE FAT?

A few years ago the average physician would have said "Yes," but today jess expensive, less strenuous and less dangerous methods are employed. So well understood has this distressing condition bekeen Armenian stateman and the renowned explorer and orientalist, though professed agnostics, were just as convinced in their secret hearts that death was merely an incident in evolution as ever were Cheops, or Cephrenes, or any builders of the royal and priestly tombs.

In the United States, where I can recall more than one memorable Christmas day, there is more of the old world festing, and people and country alike make one less sensible of absence from bygone places and habits. The coldest Christmas day I can

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#### AN OLD ARMY CHRISTMAS

days a sort of goddess. I must always us the story of a woman who once lost Recollections of a Primitive Festival could have been hoped for in that out-of-

SHADOWED BY AN INDIAN WAR

Ingenuity of an Army Wife Overcomes Obstacles and Prepares a Feast Worthy of Mars' Men.

It was the beautiful army custom in those days for officers already at the station to call the first evening upon the new Accordingly our officers visited apt to be sharp and cross, because she the tents that were put up in military precision close as convenient to our little shacks. Afterward all the new officers, most of whom I had already met, called to pay their respects to the two ladies in this

much to relieve. It was not much like a holiday gathering that Christmas Eve. They came dressed and comfort in the little dinner. in the best that their limited kits afforded. (Winter campaigns in Montana were far from being pleasure trips.) Several of them were suffering from frozen noses, cars. After the oysters came soup, home made, cheeks or fingers, from the terrible exposure of the last week's ride. The painful peeling process was exceedingly annoying; but not a word of complaint was

heard. Realizing how hard it was for them to be away from their wives and families under such trying circumstances, and especially at this time of the year that stands for family reunions, I invited ten of them for Christmas dinner the next day. It was my pleasure to take all possible pains to make my dinner attractive, and the subsequent delight of the home-hungry men

fully repaid me. Real Romping.

When we entered our quarters, I had personally superintended the Halag of both rooms with heavy brown paper such as to used between partitions and floors to keep ouses warm.

In one room stood the bed hidden by a large screen. It had proved my good fortune to have ordered my plane to be shipped to Fort Custer too late in the season for it to arrive before we left for Poplar river. It had come up to Fort table, and were now quite in the humor for Buford on the last boat before navigation closed for the winter; and from there it had been forwarded to Poplar river, sixty miles up the Missouri. So, delightfully incongruous as it was, we had the plane in cherus, story and instrumental duet the combination bed and sitting room. flanked by my guitar and banjo. Near it. suspended from the celling, was a harsing iamp. At each window hung lace curtains with the floor made warm with buffalo nobes the little room was voted delightfully

doxy by all who entered. In the dining room stood our dresser which was utilized as a stdeboard; my big "Sarutoga trunk; and the smaller traveling trunks, all covered and curtained and made into seats. A door in the rear of the room momanicated with our cooking tent, which was put up like a lean-to on a frame, with loose boards for flooring. Two great stoyes which burnt green cotton wood kept the little two-roomed house warm. For the Christmas dinner, several tables were put together in the small dining room, almost filling 1

Appearing Home Hunger.

Despite their unpleasant and decidedly incomfortable situation, all the guests appeared with the bright holiday faces that their beautiful optimism and gentle courtesy prompted.

Covers were laid for twelve, and as we Covers were laid for twelve, and as we entered the dining room the guests stood still with appreciation at the sight of the table. Then a bright idea came into the head of the young man. He found good material in the daily papers for the misdoings of elderly men. fathers of families, and yestered our shacks, several geranium plants; and by Christmas their buds had opened

bleak season a delight,

When the officers saw that the dinner preparations were more elaborate than the-way place, their faces brightened still and as the evening heart warmed to see that the spirit of Christmas was assisting my anxious hospitality in causing them to forget themselves and enjoy the present as much as

were canned and frozen before shipment. For it I had made careful preparation, My man had cut for me a large square block of ice and twelve small ones. With hammer and chisel and the aid of a dishpan and a baking powder can filled with boiling water, these were transformed into recentacles for the sea food. A hot flatiron made for them all beveled edges, and the large block was further decorated with our mogram. The whole gave a beautiful crystal effect. The novelty delighted the guests and immediately dispelled the traces little beleaguered post they had endured so of sadness that threatened. In fact, th ice dishes most effectually broke the social ice, and started a warmth of approbation

#### Pleasant Recollections.

The diary I have kept all my life brings back to me even the menu of that night. and not the canned variety with which we had become so familiar as diners on the frontier. Then showed salmon croquettes with egg same and potatoes. The butcher had provided me with sweet breads, and these were served in patties with peas fresh-from the can.

Too isolated for the Christmas turkey, we had a big roast of beef, and I really do not believe the guests gave one passing thought to the holiday bird. Potatoes and cabbage a la cauliflower completed that course. Prairie chickens and currant jelly tarts melted from view before the canned asparagus salad made its appearance; and in hostess ever had more reason to be gratified by the enthusiasm with which each dish was received, than I had upon that occasion. Cheese and crackers preceded the sherbet, home made cake, and the candles I had made with burried zeal. Before the coffee had entirely disappeared, the room was comfortably per-

was launched upon after dinner stories. We had been three hours and a half at music and lively conversation. One of the officers was an accomplished musician, and of course delighted with the presence of the piano. Solo, duct

lowed each other in happy succession for

a couple of hours after. But the time for goodnights abruptly reminded us that this was the last social and wine-colored red lambrequine; and gathering before the impending fight with the Indians, which their insolent and threatening dispositions made inevitable. The idea entered my mind that the coming week might find us beyond earthly pleasures, and, as we separated from all thos we held dear in this world, 4t was impossible to escape a little depression. Since there are no sorrowful incidents to remember in connection with the fight, however, the recollection of our momentary de pression does not dim that of the Christ-

mas cheer.-Army and Navy Life. Family Newspaper War.

This is a little domestic story with two characters—father and son.

The gray-haired father as he has been reading the newspapers day after day has been impressed with the fact that an unusually large number of sons of good families have been going wrong. A bright idea came into his head the other day. Since that time until within four or five days ago he has been cilipping accounts of these misdoings out and placing them each morning beside the plate of his son at the breakfast table.

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