Farewell, old year, with your locks of white? . The gathering shadows betoken the night; The faltering step, and the wrinkled brow,

Speak plainer than words your destiny now. We gaze in your face with a saddened heart, As down the long vista of years you depart; A halo of glory encircles the head, * That soon must be laid in the dreamless bed.

Old Year have you kept the promise you made. When a twelvemonth since our tribute we paid To the youthful guest, with the beaming eye, His " castles of air " adorning the sky?

Have visions you painted in rainbow hues All vanished from earth like the morning dews? Have silvery words from your flattering tongue Died like echoes of song on the night air flung. Have hopes that you raised, turned into despair, The day-dreams of youth into anxious care? Have you ruthlessly crushed the drooping flower, And the bending reed with a tyrant's power? Old Year! Old Year! in your casket to-day, Our richest jewels are hidden away; But our eyes are turned to the distant shore, Where the polished gems shall be ours once more

You shattered our idols-thanks for the blow ! You led us in paths we were shrinking to go; You poured in our caps the bitterest draught; But waters of healing it proved as we quaffed.

For blessings and mercies, new every day; For guidance and strength in a devious way; For every good gift from a l'ather's hand; With incense of thanks before you we stand. And oh! as the "record" is made up on high, Of the wasted hours in the year gone by, May the "angel" blot it out with a tear, While we seek new strength for the coming year. Let our hearts be brave, and our armor bright,

As valiant we stand to uphold the right, Not heeding the storm, or fearing the foe, While forth in our Master's service we go. Farewell Old Year! for we meet never more, Your sunlight is dim, your tempests are o'er;

Reviewing your path, smiles mingle with tears; Pass on to the shrine of the vanished years!

WHAT HAST THOU DONE FOR ME?

I gave my life for thee, My precious blood I shed, That thou might'st ransom'd be, And quickened from the dead; I gave, I gave my life for thee; What hast thou given me?

My Father's house of light, My glory circled throne, I left for earthly night, For wanderings sad and lone I left, I left it all for thee : Hast thou left aught for me? I suffered much for thee, More than tongue can tell,

Of bitt'rest agony, To rescue thee from hell; I've borne, I've borne it all for thee; What hast thou borne for me? And I have brought to thee,

Down from my home above, Salvation, full and free, My pardon and my love; I bring, I bring rich gifts to thee; What hast thou brought to me? Oh, let thy life be given,

Thy tears that yet remain, World fetters all be riven, Give me the joy and pain; Give thou, give thou thyself to me, And I will welcome thee!

The Lireside.

MRS. MYERS' NEW YEAR'S GIFT.

a pretty vine-wreathed cottage. It is occupied by year, finds them improved in health, and happy in keeping-at-it, Johnnie, and you will be a scholar." Mrs. Clare and an invalid daughter, Emilie. The the house they have now paid for. Free from debt spot on which the cottage stands is a lovely one, they have a bright prospect for the future—humade so by Nature, which has been lavish of her manly speaking, if not wholly through Mrs. Myers' adornments. It has been the home of these ladies "New Year's Gift." for more than two years.

They had formerly lived in the city, but then the family numbered four; a husband and son completed the group. Now, alas! both are gone. The can all be useful, if you will. If you cannot do father was a victim of the wine-cup, and permitted good by great deeds, you can by little ones." himself to be its slave, until, after years of sorrow, death removed him from his wife and children.

over by a heavy wagon. She was crossing a street use. So he said: when she slipped and fell, and before she could rise, the wheel passed over her. She was sick for try it for a week?" many months, and when she recovered, she found herself unable to walk.. A life of helplessness was The son, Walter, was wild and reckless. He was

not disposed to enter upon any legitimate business, | managed to be useful in some way or other," said but spent his time lounging at home, or at places | the teacher. where he could obtain liquor. His mother saw with pain the way his steps were tending, and endeavored to incite him to engage in some laudable enterprise. She had a little income which was saved from the wreck of her husband's property, and with this she proposed to buy a home for them all. But she thought she would set Walter up in business with a portion of it.

After taking possession of the house which she wisely. No sooner had he received it than he it for her." went to a distant city, and forgot his mother, sister, home and honor. "

her income was reduced almost to nothing, and me." she found it necessary to engage in some occupa- A third boy said: "I was wandering along the and daughter by sewing. She went among her into the missionary box." intentions, and they very kindly furnished her with hands ready, as you told us," said the fourth boy, of baking powder will improve it. Drop the batter,

to meet her payments promptly when she was tak- his tears, and ran off feeling very happy." was at a stand-still. The time for another pay- looked sick and sad. I asked mother to put baby ment was fast approaching, and she saw no way to into my little wagon. She did so, and I gave him meet it. It was near the close of the year, as she a grand ride round the garden. If you had only sat with her daughter one evening, despondent and heard him crow, and seen him clap his hands, it anxious, talking over their condition and prospects. | would have done you good; and O, how much She had not regained her strength, and her heart brighter mother looked when I took the baby in failed her.

In another home, near by, was a lady of wealth and refinement, whose heart went out in kindness to all in needy circumstances. She knew Mrs. Clare, and loved her, and had often aided her in one way or another. She knew, too, of her sorrow, away if I was in your place," said Dick Allen to a with there tung, wich is some like a long red werm, and greatly desired to serve her again without boy who stood leaning on the gate, looking down but more like litenin, only litenin haint got no gum seeming to be obtrusive. As she was in the habit | the road at a group of boys, "I think your father onto it. The fli wil be a standin a rubbin its hind of laying aside a certain sum every year, to be is real mean not to let you go sailing with us. I legs to gather and a thinkin wat a fine fli it is, and devoted to New Year's presents among her poorer | don't believe he cares much for you, any way, not | the tode a settin some distance away like it was a neighbors, her thoughts very naturally included to let a fellow have any fun. My father lets me do sleep. Wile you are seein the fli as plane as you

thing betokened holiday times. Dr. Wilkes, the Will, go with us, any way. Your father won't like he said wat's become of that fli? but you kno village physician, called at Mrs. Myers' early in the never know anything about it," coaxed the wicked he et it. morning, to see her little girl, who had been his boy. patient for a few days past. He sat chatting with Willie let go the gate, and straightening himself the mother upon her day's plans, when she exclaim- up, answered with much spirit, "No I won't; and ed, " Doctor, what can I give to Mrs. Clare ?" may you to a sewing-machine 211

"True, she has one, but it is useless, she cannot | "manly boy."

know what she will do unless she has another." And the good doctor's eyes twinkled. "I do not understand you, Doctor !" "Well, I will explain. I have seen many women | thought that God heard his thoughts quite as disprostrated from using the sewing-machine as com- tinctly as he heard Dick's words, he would have monly constructed. The treadle is a thing which | been a little more careful about his thinking. their constitutions are not generally strong enough That anybody should call his father mean was engraver has represented in outlines as beautiful and artto endure. Its use is the cause of many diseases which would not otherwise exist. I assure you filial spirit at once. His good, noble father mean! Impossible And then too that Dick should say the broken down from that very impossible and then too that Dick should say its constant. that Mrs. Clare is broken down from that very Impossible. And then, too, that Dick should say tering cause. I have watched with much interest the his father didn't care much for him! "Iknow my

efforts that have been put forth from time to time father loves me." Yes, Willie was sure of that. to counteract this objection to the common sew- He had had too many proofs of it to doubt it. ing machine. And now, I believe skill and per- Why, who was it that cared for him night after severance have been crowned with success, in the invention of what is called the Beckwith Family loving father. Who bestowed benefits and kindness loving father. Machine. Several of my patients who cannot use unnumbered upon him every, day but that same other machines, have purchased this, and are able kind father? Yes, Willie knew his father loved to use it with pleasure." "I am really happy to hear you say this, Doctor," resentment toward him, he could see things in

interposed Mrs. Myers.

and give her to-morrow." "But tell me, Doctor, how does it work? Has

it no treadle?" "No; when used, it is screwed to a table. The

with the other. There is no jar or strain on any islands and other parts of the East. The trees part of the body. What machinery there is, is commence bearing in their seventh year, and consimple, easily managed, and without the draw- tinue fruitful until they are seventy or eighty years backs of other sewing machines. I can endorse it old. Around the nutmeg, or kernal, is a bright heartily, and trust that the time will come, when | brown shell. women will use it or something similar altogether." This shell has a soft scarlet covering, which,

Myers "good morning," leaving her much impress- pricked with a pin. ed by what he had said relating to Mrs. Clare. | Ginger is the root of a shrub first known in Asia, peaming with pleasure and goodness.

box in his hand. He rang the door bell. It was stems are withered. The white is the best. answered by the lady herself. He wished her a Cinnamon is the inner bark of a beautiful tree, happy New Year," and said he had come to make a native of Ceylon, that grows from twenty to

ing it was an envelope, containing twenty-five dol- ed before they are quite unfolded. lars, with this greeting.

you. You can use this instrument without taxing your strength, and I trust you will find it to be a ry of a climbing vine native to the East Indies.

"Believe me your true friend,

J. MYERS." light of hope beamed through the clouds which in the bush with you, and work ever so hard." surrounded them, and bade them recognize the infinite wisdom which had dietated to Mrs. Myers day?" asked his father. this act of kindness. They could hardly sleep for joy that night. The following day the directions | ed the boy. were studied and found explicit. Soon Mrs. Clare was able to manage the machine. Then, sewing time, and keeping at it, will make you a good was a pleasure. The old machine was sold for reader; a syllable at a time, and keeping at it, will half price, the new one entirely usurping its place. There was no more weariness for tired and aching keeping at it, will make you good at figures; an limbs, no jarring of the body, but ease, pleasure idea at a time, and keeping at it, will make you Near the outskirts of the village of B-stands and admiration in work. The close of the present master the hardest book in the world. A patient H. E. W.

> OPEN HEARTS AND READY HANDS. ONE day a teacher said to his class, "Boys, yo

These boys said nothing, but the teacher saw to pitch. by their looks that they thought he was mistaken. A short time before his death, Emilie was run | They did not believe that they could be of any "You think it is not so; but suppose you jus

" How shall we try it?" asked one of them.

"Just keep your eye open and your hands ready to de anything good that comes in your way this ing to the cake pantry. week, and tell me next Sabbath if you have not "Agreed," said the boys; and so they parted.

The next Sabbath those boys gathered around the teacher with smiling lips and eyes so full of the doors between the household cheer and the light that they fairly twinkled like the stars. something to tell me." "We have, sir, we have," they said all together.

They each told his story.

gave the greater part of it to Walter, feeling sure that his love for her would lead him to small lead that his love for her would lead him to employ it so greatly pleased, that I mean to keep on doing

old woman whose eyes were too dim to read. I a great deal of unnecessary hardship by being sub-This was a terrible blow to Mrs. Clare. She went to her house every day and read a chapter to jected to absurd methods of discipline which kinds of Merchandise bought and sold on commission of the commission of mourned for her son. She was disappointed in her from the Bible. It seems to give her a great every good mother ought to avoid. her hopes for him. By his waywardness and folly deal of comfort. I cannot tell how she thanked

tion that might enable her to pay for her home. street wondering what I could do. A gentleman After some deliberation as to what would be best | called and asked me to hold his horse. I did so. | for her to do, she resolved to try to support herself He gave me five cents. I have brought it to put former friends and acquaintances, told them of her | "I was walking with my eyes open and my

Several months passed, and she had been able lost some pennies. I found them, and he dried sides a light brown. They can be fried as griddle en sick. This was a sad interruption of her plans. A fifth boy said: "I saw my mother was very Her sickness lasted several weeks, and her work | tired one day. The baby was cross, and mother

doors again !"-Rev. Dr. Newton.

I KNOW FATHER LOVES ME. to let a fellow have any fun. My father lets me do just as I want to; and if he didn't, I guess I would," ever see any thing, all to once it aint there. Then The last day of the year opened brightly. Every- continued Dick, with much emphasis. "Come, the tode he looks up at you sollem, out of his eyes,

with let go the gate, and straightening filmself the mother upon her day's plans, when she exclaiming the mother upon her day's plans, when she exclaiming himself the mother upon her day's plans, when she exclaiming Allen. I know my father loves me, and I'll mind received no value.

Upper Hampstead, Sept. 7th, 1874.

"A sewing-machine! No, Doctor!" said Mrs. him, too; so needn't wait for me any longer," and Myers; "Mrs. Clare is in no condition to use one, Willie turned and left his tempter to himself. Dick nor will she be for some time to come. I want to joined the group of waiting boys, and pretty soon give her something that may be of service to her. Willie heard a derisive shout of "Baby boy!" but Besides, if I am not mistaken, she has one already." his father, who overheard all, thought him a

sew with it without its making her sick. I do not To tell the truth, Willie had been thinking some

him; and now that his mind was unbiassed by their true light. He recalled many instances when "Indeed," continued he, "I have concluded to he had been denied some pleasure, or coveted get one for Mrs. Wilkes, which I shall do to-day thing, and the denial had always proved to be for his best good.

ORIGIN OF THE SPICES.

Nutmeg is the kernal of a small, smooth, pearwheel is turned with one hand, the work guided shaped fruit that grows on a tree in the Molucca

After a chatty conversation on one or two other when flattened out and dried, is known as mace. 300 CHESTS and Half-Chests TEA; points relating to the season, Dr. Wilkes bid Mrs. The best nutmegs are solid, and emit oil when

During the day Mrs. Myers went out and made and now cultivated in the West Indies and Sierra various purchases, going among other people to the Leone. The stem grows three or four feet high, warerooms of the "Beckwith," her face the while and dies every year. There are two varieties of ginger, the white and the black-caused by taking The next day, being "New Year's," Johnnie more or less care in selecting and preparing the Myers made his way over to Mrs. Clare's with a roots, which are always dug in winter, when the

a call. He passed a few words of congratulation | thirty feet in height and lives to be centuries old. Cloves-native to the Molucca islands, and so After he had gone, it was found that he had called from resemblance to a nail, (clavis). The Woodstock last spring, begs to inform Gentlemen, Farmleft the box. On looking at it, Mrs. Clare saw her East Indians call them "chankek," from the ChinTHORN PLANTS, &c., for planting next Spring. The own name upon the wrapper. On opening it, she ese "techengkia," (fragrant tails.) They grow on superiority of Hedge Fences over any other is so great, as found, to her great surprise, a beautiful little hand- a straight, smooth-barked tree, about forty feet

Allspice—a berry so called because it combines | wards, are ordered in each place "My Dear Mrs. Clare: I wish you a happy New the odor of several spices—grows abundantly on Year! and as a substantial proof of my good wish-the beautiful allspice, or bayberry-tree, native of the beautiful allspice, and other es, I send you the accompanying machine. I know | South America and the West Indies. A single that in your state of health, it will be impossible tree has been known to produce one hundred and for you to use your old one, for some time to come | fifty pounds of berries. They are purple when |

blessing. I have bought one for myself, for I am | White pepper is obtained from the same berries, convinced from what I have heard that it is a trea- freed from their husk or rind. Red or cayenne you can dispose of to much better advantage than seed-vessel of a tropical plant that is now cultivated in all parts of the world.

"NEED I GO TO SCHOOL?"-" Oh, father! need I Words fail to describe the thankfulness that fill- go to school?" said Johnnie one morning, as his ed these two lone hearts. Mother and daughter mother was getting him ready. "I don't underfelt the gratitude which they could not speak. The stand books. I never shall. I had rather cut wood "Johnnie, how did we fell that big tree yester

"A stroke at a time, and keeping at it," answer-

"Exactly so," said the father. "A word at a make you a good speller; a sum at a time, and "Is that all?" asked Johnnie.

"All," said his father. "I do not know but I can do that," said Johnnie; and before six years from that time he stood first in the highest class in school.

USEFUL ADVICE TO BOYS .- To throw stones .-Fold each one carefully in a feather-bed, and give

notice to all the neighborhood when you are going To carry gunpowder in the pocket .- Soak it well in cold water, and then wrap it up in a cover

To slide down the banister.-Let a surgeon sit upon the lower stair. Also, carry a pailful of poultice in each of your hands, as you may need it. To cure creaky boots. - Wear them always in go

GIVE THE CHILD A LIGHT .- If a child wants a walks off and takes away the candle, and shuts all warmth, and the pleasant stir of evening mirth, ight that they fairly twinkled like the stars.

"Ah, boys, I see by your looks that you have and leaves a little son or daughter to hide its head LOW, Farmers' and Curriers' Tools and Findings.

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you come to think of it frogs is wetter. The warts wich todes is noted for can't be cured, for they is cronick, but if I couldent git wel Ide stay in the house. My grandfather knew a tode wich some body had tamed til it was folks. Wen its master "I wouldn't stand it, Willie Bond. I'd just run wissled it would come for flies. They cetches 'em

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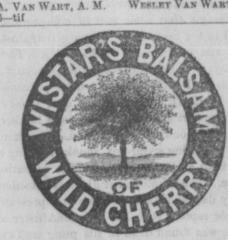
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