The Coming of Spring.

BY PROF. A. S. MARYE.

When cold and snow resign their sway,
Then Winter's scepter's laid away;
Then Earth shall to the heavens sing,
And stars shall echo songs of Spring.

When blissful all the balmy night
The winds shall whisper their delight;
Then Dawn shall wide her portals fling
Along the pathway of the Spring.

When tender tones shall touch the skies,
What time Aurora opes her eyes;
The dews shall all their diamonds bring
And pour them in the lap of Spring.

When dryads troop from out the dells,
To cast upon the woods their spells;
Then garlands on the oaks shall swing,
And daisies deck the feet of Spring.

As falling leaves spake words divine
To pilgrim at the sibyl's shrine,
So in the violet's blossoming
I learn the language of the Spring.

The poet sings Life's fleeting years
In rythm from the fount of tears;
Still pearls of speech I'll ever string
To bind the fragrant locks of Spring

As artist painting Hope serene
Paints Fear as background in the scene;
So out of clouds encompassing
Are wrought the richest robes of Spring.

When shining suns shall sink no more
To sleep with shadows gone before;
When Time shall fold his tired wing,
Then comes the end—Eternal Spring.

Easter in Many Lands.

BY G. W. WAIDNER.

From the Heidelberg Teacher.

Welcome Queen Easter! The royal court of the year is made up of fifty-two Sundays. Fifty one are princes in the royal household, but Easter is queen. She wears a richer diadem, she sways a more jeweled sceptre, and in her smile nations are irradiated. The word Easter is from Ostara, Saxon goddess of Spring.

About eighteen hundred and seventy-three Easter mornings have wakened the earth. Until Charles IX made the year begin at January first, fior three centuries the almanacs of France made the year begin at Easter. On file in the Tower of London is a royal pay-roll of Edward I, bearing an entry of eighteen pence for four hundred colored and pictured Easter eggs, with which the people sported.

Ecclesiastical councils met in Pontus, in Gaul, in Rome, in Achaia, to decide the particular day, and after a controversy more animated than gracious, decided it; and now through all Christendom, in some way, the first Sunday after the full moon, which happens upon or next after March twenty-first, is filled with Easter rejoicing.

Man and nature do their best to render the holy festival fair and blessed, and our whole round earth seems girdled then with blossom and song. In what country the celebration of Easter is made most beautiful it would be hard to say.

In Russia Lent lasts seven weeks. In no land is the gloom of this season more profound nor the gladness which breaks it on Easter Sunday more pronounced. The sounds of devotion, which seem to make almost an incessant dirge, lapse on Saturday into intense stillness. Near midnight the people prostrate themselves in silent, darkened churches. Suddenly the "Iconostosis" (Holy of Holies) is thrown open, a gorgeous procession of priests proclaim "Christ is risen from the dead!" There is a burst of light and song, friends kiss each other on the cheek, it being the custom for superiors from the Emperor down, to thus salute their subordinates. Lighted tapers are carried home and after the priest has blessed the food, the whole day is given over to rejoicing and feasting; in the latter, eggs take prominent part.

In the Tyrol, the echoes of the hills are awakened at midnight Saturday, by the peasants calling and singing "Christ is risen!"

In Silesia, youths and maidens, dressed in white, climb a hill called Calvary, and in a spot which looks like a graveyard with white stones, keep vigil till dawn, when people, looking up from the village below to see their moving figures call "'Tis Easter!"

People from every quarter of the globe join with the resident population of Rome in attendance on the long mass in St. Peter's Cathedral, where the gorgeous robing of prelates and acolytes, the jewels, incense and flowers, produce an effect of almost barboric magnificence.

Paris, next to Rome, claims the traveler's attention at Easter

Multitudes journey to far Jerusalem and to "little Bethlehem," perhaps to witness there in Greek or Catholic Church a pageant kindred to those described, perhaps after attending a simple service in some Protestant chapel, to wander about quiet places which Jesus loved.

England is rich in curious and beautiful Easter customs. Was there ever such ringing of bells anywhere as in London on Easter morning! What changes they play! And out in the quiet country, what wondrous melody it makes. Singing from Magdalen Tower, Oxford, at sunrise, by the boys' choir, dates back four hundred years.

Although from Germany comes the tradition which makes the hare an animal of importance at this season, the hare's connection with Easter really dates back to the ancient Orient, where it was both a lunar symbol and an emblem of life's renewal. The egg seems to have carried the latter significance through all time and among all people.

In our country Easter is becoming more and more a season for showing forth our Lord's spirit in us by doing kind and beautiful things to one another and helping the needy.

Many Easter customs are of pagan origin, heathen peoples were feeling blindly for centuries after the "Unknown God" who brought nature out of winter's sleep, and who at last gave in Jesus, the God Incarnate, promise that man himself should live again.

We joyously welcome thee glad Easter, when, after a harsh winter and late spring, you seem to step out of snow bank rather than the conservatory, to come out of the north instead of the south, out of the arctic rather than the tropics, dismounting from the icy equinox; but welcome this queenly day, holding high in her right hand the wrenched-off bolt of Christ's supulchre, and holding high in her left the key to all the cemeteries in Christendom.

"Alleluia, far and wide,
Swell the chorus sound the praise;
Christ for sinners crucified,
Lives and reigns through endless days!"

Easter Unusually Late.

Patient delving, says the Baltimore *Sun*, among the files of old copies of the Sun Almanac showed that Easter falls upon a later date this year than it has for 19 years. Easter of this year is April 23, and the Christian feast has not come so late in the season since 1886, when it fell on April 25. This late date is the very latest on which Easter can come, and it will not fall again on that date until the year 1943.

Easter has a range of 35 days on which it can fall. The earliest date is March 22, and the latest is April 25. In 1818 it fell on March 22, and it will not do so again until the year 2285, which is too far distant to cause much worry among the present generation. When Easter fell on April 25—the latest date—in 1886, it was the first time it had been so late since 1736. Easter will fall on April 23 in 1916 and again in the year 2000.

Easter came only three times in March during the last 20 years, viz: March 29, 1891; March 25, 1894, and March 30, 1902.

Easter is the most important church festival of the year, because by its dates are fixed all the movable feasts of the Christian year. During the first three centuries of the Christian era Easter was observed on different dates by the Greek Church, the Roman Church and the Celtic Church. In that year, however, the Council of Nicaea decided the date of Easter. It was agreed that as the moon had been full on the night after the Crucifixion Easter must be governed by the phases of the moon and be a movable feast falling on the first Sunday after the full moon of the spring equinox.

Several methods for computing the date of Easter for any given year have been devised, but that of President Bernard, of Columbia University is said to be the simplest.

First find the golden number and dominical letter for the given year. From the number of the centuries take its fourth part and its third part (disregarding fractions in both cases) and increase the result by two. Thus for the twentieth century we have 20 minus 5 minus 6 plus 2, which equals 11. Add 15 to 11 and we have 26, and 11 and 26 are the two numerical terms for the century.

If the golden number of the year is odd, to four times the golden number add 11. If the golden number is even, to four times the golden number add 26. The result in each case, if greater than 20 or less than 50, is the date of the paschal full moon, considered as a day of March. For instance, if the number is 33 the day date of the full moon is March 33, or April 2. If the result is not greater than 20 and less than 50 add 30 or subtract 30, or even 60 if necessary to make it so, and the result is the date of the paschal full moon.

A Good Whitewash.

The *Scientific American*, gives the following as the best recipe for making whitewash for outside work. A good durable whitewash is made as follows: Take ½ bushel of freshly burnt lime, slack it with boiling water; cover it during the process, to keep in the steam. Strain the liquid through a fine seive, and add to it 7 pounds of salt previously well dissolved in warm water; 3 pounds of ground rice boiled to a thin paste and stirred in boiling hot; ½ pound powdered Spanish whiting; 1 pound clean glue, which has been previously dissolved by soaking it well, and then hanging it over a slow fire in a small kettle, within a large one filled with water. Add 5 gallons of hot water to the mixture, stir it well, and let it stand a few days covered from dirt. It must be put on quite hot. For this purpose it can be kept in a kettle on a portable furnace. About a pint of this mixture will cover a square yard.

It is literally true that a new broom sweeps clean. If a broom is examined the ends of the straws will be found to be straight and the brush square. After it has been used awhile the ends split and become sharp, and the shape of the brush becomes irregular To renew the youth of the broom dip it in hot soapsuds and trim the softened straws to the proper shape.

The extent of your friendships depends not on the people who love you but on the number of people you can love.

When a man's heart is in Heaven it does not suffer from palpitation every time it sees the collection coming.

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A Memory.

The tired man sank deeper into his office chair and looked out through the window upon the sunshine of spring. The swelling buds nodded back to him, and the birds twittered and twisted for his edification. And as the tired man looked and longed the days sped backward upon lightning wings and he was a boy again.

"Why, there's the old swimmin' hole," he muttered. "Gee, the water looks good! Hi, fellers; bet yer I'm the first one in!"

Ker-plunk! Ker-plunk! And a couple of boys were neck-deep in the water.

"Come on in fellers; the water's bully!"

Splash, splash! And the silvery spray dashed high in the the balmy air.

"Aw, fellers; now keep away!" piped the lad who was trying to fish from the stump of the old oak whose roots had grown into the water and affored a comfortable seat.

"Keep away; I got a bite!"

"Look here, I kin lick th' feller that tied my clothes in a knot."

"That was Jim Craver that done it."

"No such thing."

"Didn't."

"Did."

Whack! And then a pair of boys, clad only in nature's garments were rolling over and over in the lush grass, kicking, hitting, gouging and yelling like fiends.

"I don't 'low no feller t' tie my clothes, Jim Carver."

"Aw go chase yerself: I'll tie 'em every time I please."

"And once more the boys go tumbling through the grass."

"I got'er go home, fellers. Come on out."

"Aw, wait awhile."

"Nope. Pa told me ter be home at 6 o'clock, an' its past that now.

"Well, don't be in sich a hurry. We're comin'."

"All right, let's swim across an' back. I kin beat all o' you."

Splash! Ker-chug!

And away they go. The tired man was leaning, but his breath was coming in short gasps. The bank is only fifteen feet away, but Doc Peters is close behind! One desperate stroke, one lunge forward, one.

Rat-a-tat-tat!

"Gentleman to see you sir," said the office boy.

And with a gasp and subdued cry the tired man came back to the present, and was once more the man of affairs.

But all the rest of the afternoon his face wore a smile, and once he opened the window, leaned out, thrust his finger into his mouth and then held it up.

"Wind from the south," he muttered. "I bet the fishing's good in the old creek."

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A Good Cleansing Fluid.

The following recipe is highly recommended for its efficacy in cleansing fabrics without injuring the texture or "starting" the color, however delicate: Grate two potatoes of ordinary size into a bowl containing one pint of clean cold water. Strain carefully through a sieve, allowing the liquid to fall into another vessel containing an additional pint of cold water. Let it settle and then pour off the water and bottle it for use. It may be put into a clean fruit jar. Rub the soiled garment softly with a sponge dipped in the potato water, after which wash it in clean water. Dry carefully in the shade and then iron it. Use the sediment left after pouring off the water for cleansing heavy clothes, rugs and carpets.

Hatred cannot cure hate.

Wrongs in the Vegetable Kingdom.

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Pulling the ears of corn.
Cutting the heart out of trees.
Eating the heads of cabbages.
Pulling the beard out of rye.
Breaking the necks of squashes.
Hammering nuts. Skinning apples.
Squeezing lemons.
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Stripping bananas.
Burning pine nots.
Burying roots alive.

An Excellent Lip-Salve.

Obtain an ounce of gum Benjamin, one ounce of borax, quarter of an ounce of spermaceti, two pennyworths of Alkanet root (to give color,) a large juicy apple, a bunch of black grapes, quarter of a pound of butter, free from salt, and two ounces of beeswax. Chop the apple, bruise the grapes, and put all the ingredients into a tin saucepan. Simmer them gently until the wax, etc., are dissolved, and then strain the mixture through a bit of linen. When it is cold, melt it again, and pour it into small pots or boxes, or form it into cakes in the bottoms of teacups. This is very good for rough skin, or chapped lips.

Old Saws Refiled.

A watched pot never boils over.
A word to the wise is wasted.
A rolling stone gathers much experience.
A party and his money are soon fooled.
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"Pa, why do people throw old shoes after a newly-married couple?"

"Just to remind them that they are married and must learn to dodge."

"Willits is one man who is untrammeled and independent."

"Yes, but the poor devil will get married, too; I see he's engaged."

Why do people eat Welsh rarebits only in the evening?

Because it's easier to be miserable while asleep.

Little Clarence—Pa, what is a well-bred man?

Mr. Callipers — One who never boasts of his dough, my son.

The wickedest thing in this world is the sect that winks at the rich with one eye and glares on the poor with the other.

Some people think the road to happiness is a switch-back where they need the descent into sin to give the impetus for the rise into glory.

"Is he out of danger?"

"No, she hasn't given him an answer to his proposal yet."

It takes a man longer to make a garden than it takes an old hen to unmake it.

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Love is God's great lever.
Progress is impossible to petulance.
The home is the heart of the nation.
Love never forgets the little things.
Rusting is not the same as trusting.
Parents are more potent than politics.
Pity the boy whose parents are too pitiful.
Working the church is working for the devil.
Delayed answers are far from being denials.
It takes the hard winter to make hard wheat.
His works appear where his words abide.
Evangelism is the only evidence of being evangelical.
Worship is more than praising God for our superiority.
Suffering is part of the price of the grace of sympathy.
Heavnly rewards depend on heavenwards running.
The redness of the apple comes from the white of winter.
The trouble with most advice is that it is only accusation.

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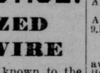
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STATIONS.	FM	W E	Ac.	Ac.	TPs	A
	AM	A	A M	P M	P M	P M
Hillen Station.....	4 20	8 15	10 12	4 15	5 00	6 15
Union Station.....	4 35	8 20	10 17	4 20	5 04	6 20
Penna. Ave.....	....	8 24	10 21	4 24	....	6 24
Fulton Station.....	4 41	8 29	10 24	4 27	5 10	6 27
Walbrook.....	4 45	8 30	10 31	4 30	5 13	6 30
Arlington.....	....	8 37	10 38	4 37	....	6 40
Mt. Hope.....	....	8 40	10 42	4 40	....	6 43
Howardville.....	....	8 43	10 46	4 43	....	6 46
Sudbrook Park.....	....	8 45	10 48	4 46	....	6 48
Pikesville.....	....	8 47	10 50	4 48	....	6 50
Greenwood.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Owings Mills.....	....	8 57	11 03	4 57	....	1 07
Glyndon.....	5 00	9 09	11 15	5 11	....	7 19
Emory Grove.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
York, &c.....	....	....	1 25	....	....	....
Hanover, &c.....	....	....	1 10	....	....	....
Gettysburg, &c.....	....	....	1 45	....	....	....
Glen Falls.....	....	9 11	11 26	5 17	....	7 32
Finksburg.....	....	9 16	11 28	5 20	....	7 34
Carrollton.....	....	9 19	11 41	5 31	....	7 46
Westminster.....	5 26	9 45	11 55	5 46	6 03	8 05
Avondale.....	....	9 51	12 01	5 51	....	8 13
Medford.....	....	9 54	12 04	5 55	....	8 17
New Windsor.....	5 49	10 01	12 11	6 05	6 21	8 27
Linwood.....	....	10 06	12 16	6 11	....	8 34
Union Bridge.....	5 56	10 10	12 20	6 15	6 26	8 40
Middleburg.....	....	10 15	....	....	6 35	....
Bruceville.....	6 02	10 20	....	....	6 44	....
D. P. Creek.....	....	10 24	....	....	6 44	....
Rocky Ridge.....	....	10 32	....	....	6 50	....
Emmittsburg, ar.....	....	11 02	....	....	7 20	....
Loy's.....	....	10 36	....	....	6 58	53
Graceham.....	....	10 40	....	....	6 57	....
Thurmont.....	6 10	10 45	....	....	7 03	....
Deerfield.....	....	10 56	....	....	7 15	....
Sabillasville.....	....	11 0	....	....	7 21	....
Blue Ridge Summit	6 48	11 13	....	....	7 30	....
Highfield.....	6 45	11 15	....	....	7 32	....
Buena Vista Springs	6 48	1 19	....	....	7 37	....
Pen-Mar.....	....	11 22	....	....	7 50	....
Blue Mountain.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Edgemont.....	7 00	11 33	....	....	7 55	....
Waynesboro, Pa., ar	7 20	11 50	....	....	8 12	....
Chambersburg, ar..	8 05	2 27	....	....	8 48	....
Shippensburg, ar.....	....	12 55	....	....	9 15	....
Smithsburg.....	....	11 38	....	....	7 55	....
Cavetown.....	....	11 39	....	....	7 56	....
Chewsville.....	....	11 43	....	....	8 01	....
Potomac ave.....	....	11 50	....	....	8 10	....
Hagerstown.....	7 30	11 55	....	....	8 15	....
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Cavetown.....			7 28		2 28	....
Smithburg.....			7 30		2 30	4 28
Shippensburg, Pa..			6 00		....	2 55
Chambersburg, Pa..			6 26		3 45	3 32
Waynesboro, Pa.....			7 06		2 17	4 10
Edgemont.....			7 38		2 40	4 40
Blue Mountain.....			....		....	....
Pen-Mar.....			4 47		2 50	....
Buena Vista Springs			7 00		2 5	4 53
Highfield.....			7 53		2 55	4 55
Blue Ridge Summit			7 58		3 00	5 00
Sabillasville.....			8 0		3 05	5 05
Deerfield.....			8 18		3 09	....
Thurmont.....			8 20		3 20	5 20
Graceham.....			8 23		3 23	....
Loy's.....			8 28		3 28	....
Emmitsburg.....			7 55		2 55	....
Rocky Ridge.....			8 30		3