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CHRISTMAS CHILDREN.

Some Famous Men Who Were Born on Christ's Birthday.

Even were it not for its celebration as the birthday of the Saviour, Dec. 25 would rank as quite a notable date in the year for the number of eminent persons whose natal day it is. Curiously enough, however, we seldom think of the day as the beginning of the career of any one on earth other than He to whom custom has assigned it.

We know that historical events of all sorts—battles, sieges, and so forth—have occurred on Christmas, for articles almost without end dealing with this interesting side of the history of the day have been written, but of its biographical side little has been said, the more odd this because the fact that many notables have been born on the day cannot fail to prove of interest.

The biographical index of Christmas is comparatively long and includes such names as Sir Isaac Newton, William Collins, the lyric poet; P. S. Gilmore, the musician and bandmaster; Richard Porson, the greatest classical scholar England ever produced; Johann Jacob Reiske, the celebrated German orientalist; Clara Barton, Admiral S. C. Rohan and a number of others. Unhappy little shavers they must have been in their childhood with their birthday and their Christmas rejoicings all merged in one.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

CHRISTMAS IN WEST INDIES

How the Darkies of the Antilles Celebrate the Holiday.

Christmas in the West Indies is a very jovial, rollicking affair—at least in the estimation of the darkies. The great feature of the season is the series of masquerades or mystery plays enacted by strolling negro performers.

These are of two sorts. Representations of such Biblical stories as that of David and Goliath—when you may see the dramatis personae clad in such historically accurate garments as "bedtick" trousers and cretonne coats of flaming pattern—and those of a purely local character. Of these last is the mongoose play, which is peculiar to St. Kitts, and the object of which is to wage mimic war against the destructive pest which is the curse of the island. These strolling players are the chief feature of Christmas celebrations.

They are quite an imposing lot of men, with a good ear for music, and as you watch their antics you might easily imagine that, instead of being in a civilized British colony, you were back in the heart of Africa, assisting at some savage death dance or other heathen rite.

Christmas In Tibet.

Tibet, the home of the strangest and least known people on the face of the earth, is also the home of the strangest of Christmas customs. The feast of Queen Winter in Tibet corresponds with our own Christmas festival. The figure of this queen, or goddess, is painted blue and mounted on a camel, surrounded by a string of human skulls. The dance celebrated at this feast is called tsam, and the masked figures which take part in it would be comic if they were not so horrible. One represents a horned bull, another a deer, but this deer, peculiarly enough, has a horse's head, an ancient symbol among the Tibetans of the messenger of death. There are evil spirits in hordes, demons and other bad spirits to shock the ignorant people into blind obedience to the lamas. One god curses another, and every town has its local protecting divinity. There are serpent gods representing the spirit of evil, but they are fought by such protecting divinities as Garuda, who is always represented in lamaism with a stout body, human arms, wings and the head of a bird.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Christmas Cards.

The Christmas card as we know it has an origin easily traceable, and it is doubtless at least sixty years since the first was designed. The artist who claimed to be its originator and who was, at any rate, the first to see its possibilities was W. C. T. Dobson, R. A., who, when quite a young man, in 1844, was prompted at Christmas to make a little sketch symbolic of the season's joys and festivities and to send it to a friend. It seemed to give great pleasure, and the next year Mr. Dobson determined to follow up the idea on a larger scale, and by having his card photographed was enabled to send copies to twenty-five or thirty friends. The delight with which they were received was so great that Mr. Dobson was quick to perceive that he had found out a new pleasure for Christmas.—New York Mail and Express.

"Man Wants but Little"—

"Made known your wants for Christmas yet?"

"Sure. Asked the forty-seven friends who sent me suspenders last year to send trousers to match them this."—Cincinnati Times-Star.

The Dawn of Christmas.

Christmas day begins in the middle of the Pacific ocean, and there is where Santa Claus starts and ends his great and only journey of the year.

A Prayer For the Poor.

Col' win' a-tryin'
Ter break down de do'—
Lawd sen' de Chris'mus
Of peace ter de po'!

Lean wolf a-howlin'
Out dar in de snow—
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Sweet li'l chillun
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—Atlanta Constitution.

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The Mistletoe's Story

I AM only a sprig of old mistletoe.
My leaves are quite shriveled and dead
And my sap all dried up such a long time ago
That my berries they never get fed.
But I'll tell you a tale of a trick that I played
That a lovesick young man and a wealthy young maid
Should contrive to get happily wed.

It was Christmas eve, and from where I hung,
Tied up with a piece of string,
I caught many a couple, both old and young,
Kissing like anything.
But fairest of all the young people I saw
Was pretty Miss Eveline Marjory Daw,
Who was fit for the bride of a king.

Now, Marjory Daw, as you'll readily guess,
Was admired by a dozen or more,
Each of whom for a kiss of the hem of her dress
Would have given much treasure galore.
But the only young man she pretended to see
(To whose offer her father would never agree)
Was a penniless fellow named Shaw.

BUT FAIREST OF ALL WAS MARJORY DAW.

Now, Shaw tipped the butler—I saw the coin pass—
To turn down the gas in the hall
(I was hung from a bracket quite close to a glass
Not more than a yard from the wall).
Then he waited beneath me, his senses alert,
Till he heard the "swish swish" of a rustling silk skirt.
They were having a Christmas eve ball.
In a moment his arms were about the fair waist.
What cared he for the wrath of papa?

And he covered her cheek with his kisses in haste
To the strains of the piano afar.
But she, with a cry, reached and turned up the gas,
When he saw, to his horror, alas and alas,
He'd been kissing his sweetheart's mamma!
Then up came the guests in response to her call,
While papa was quite purple with rage,

And that Shaw was a cad they agreed, one and all,
Not to show more respect for old age.
But the dame, with her vanity utterly twisted
And quite unaware of the error, insisted
That the maid should be gallantry's wage.
—London Sketch.

Ferns and Autumn Leaves.

Ferns and autumn leaves as Christmas decorations add greatly to the effectiveness of the conventional holly, mistletoe and evergreens. Ferns grown in hothouses are easily obtained at the holiday season, but are rather expensive. Autumn leaves are at the command of whoever has the time to gather them in the fall, for they can be preserved in all their pristine glory with little trouble. Autumn leaves pressed in books, while retaining their glorious colors, lose some of their liveliness and their natural shape, but whole branches of them may be kept intact by placing them in dry sand in any cellar where there is no dampness.

Individuality In Gifts.

The personality of the giver expressed in the wrappings about the Christmas gift adds value to the simplest offering. After all, it is the spirit of the giver rather than the gift itself which gives the greatest pleasure. The favorite ribbon, the slip of mistletoe, the color of the tissue paper covering, the card which bears the Christmas greeting, all express love and well-wishing.

Mrs. Torkins' Bright Idea.

"What are you going to give your husband for Christmas?"

"A whole lot of poker chips," said young Mrs. Torkins, "so that he can have all he wants without having to sit up all night trying to win them."—Washington Star.

A Christmas Menu.

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Plum Pudding.
Nuts. Candies. Raisins.
Orange Ice. Coffee.

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Olives.
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WHITE HOUSE GIFTS.

How Santa Claus Comes to the President's Family.

Wagon loads of gifts are received at the White House at Christmas time. They come from all parts of the country, the majority of them from persons unknown to the president and his wife. These miscellaneous articles are the private property of the recipients, and the numerous parcels are placed in one of the family rooms for examination. They generally contain the names of the donors, and to all these notes of thanks are sent.

On Christmas eve all the employees of the house—the clerical staff, the ushers and the domestic servants—are given, through the established munificence of the president, a fine fat turkey. Fifty fowls, selected from the best in the market, are purchased for this event, so that everybody about the famous mansion has reason for rejoicing.

No one expresses his happiness with a more beaming countenance than does Jerry Smith, the old colored man who has been a member of the presidential household since the beginning of Grant's first term. Jerry was President Grant's cook, but in these days he dusts the offices of the White House and keeps things tidy there as the traditional pin.

The presidents and their advisers are usually men of advanced years, and it is to be second generation from them that the White House looks for the frolics of childhood on Christmas day.—Woman's Home Companion.

A Quaint Christmas Custom.

The burning of the ashen fagot is a curious custom observed in Devon and Somerset on Christmas eve. The fagot consists of green ash sticks cut lengthways and neatly fastened into a bundle with withy bands. At 8 o'clock in the evening this is placed on the fire with much ceremony, when the family and invited guests are gathered round the hearth. The flames lick round the bundle, and, when the first green withe holding the fagots bursts, glasses are raised and emptied to "A Merry Christmas!" The breaking of each bond is the signal for a fresh toast. Legend accounts for this custom by the story that a fire of ash wood warmed the stable at Bethlehem, while local tradition tells of a greenwood fire kindled by Alfred the Great during his lonely wanderings in Somerset.

Russia's Belated Christmas.

There are two Christmases at the Russian embassy, but the real celebration comes on Jan. 6. The fact that the joyous festival is, by reason of the use of the Russian calendar, somewhat belated does not, however, affect the enthusiasm with which the celebration is carried out. At a time when most of her American friends are removing the Christmas greens from their homes Countess Marguerite Cassini, the mistress of the Russian embassy, is superintending the decoration of a monster Christmas tree, generously laden with presents, and the distribution of these remembrances is followed by a grand dinner which is thoroughly Russian in its menu and appointments and as protracted as some of the celebrated all night feasts in the land of the czar.—Washington Times.

Holiday Customs.

At the saturnalia, the heathen prototype of Christmas, it was the Roman custom to decorate the house with evergreens. This was done to give the woodland spirits refuge from the cold.

In Atlanta, Ga., it is the Christmas custom to let free all prisoners whose only offense has been against the city ordinances.

The holly and mistletoe that we use for Christmas decorations show the survival of the customs of the Druids. In Russia branches of fir trees are used for decoration. In most parts of southern Europe evergreen trees are used, while in India the English churches are decorated at Christmastide with all kinds of flowers, palms and berries.

Mistletoe.

The eastern mistletoe is parasitic on deciduous trees as far north as New Jersey. It grows in great bunches from one to three feet across and soon disfigures a tree. The people of Atlanta, Ga., have free mistletoe. The city authorities cut it out of the shade trees that line the streets, and any one may take it away by the wagon load. The plant is in no danger of extermination, as we are satisfied with a comparatively small amount, despite its unique associations, which ought to make it in universal demand. The trade is supposed to handle about 10,000 pounds.—Country Life In America.

Christmas Eve In Bugland.

The Little Ladybug (dejectedly)—I do hope Santa Claus will be able to distinguish between hogs and ordinary bugs!

Mamma Ladybug—Why, Gladys! What a strange remark! What is troubling you, dear?

The Little Ladybug—Why, Cissie Centiped told me she was going to hang up one whole set of her stockings!—Town Topics.

A Country Named For Christmas.

South Africa was discovered by the Portuguese, who were searching for an ocean road to India. Bartholomew Diaz was the commander of the two little ships that formed the expedition in 1486. Eleven years later Da Gama took another Portuguese fleet south. He discovered Natal on Christmas day and thus named it in consequence.

Christmas Decorations In Arizona.

Lariat Larry—Git out yer lassoes, boys. Here comes a bunch of dudes, just what we need to decorate our Christmas tree.

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