NOW AND THEN

As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So most gracious Lord may we
Evermore be led by thee.

As with joyful steps they sped
To that lowly manger bed;
There to bend the knee before
Him whom heaven and earth adore
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek the mercy seat

As they offered gifts most rare
At that manger rude and bare;
So may we with holy joy
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring
Christ to thee, our heavenly King.

It was the wise men who saw the star. They had time to gaze into the heavens, and the star guided them to the Saviour. In the rush which we have in getting ready for Christmas we are apt to forget the reason that makes it such a wonderful season.

Even the beautiful colored lights and the bright Christmas trees very often make us neglect to look up to the beauty of the skies, where the stars are shining so serenely above us.

"Unaffrighted by the silence round them,
Undistracted by the sights they see,
These demand not that the things around them
Yield them love, amusement, sympathy."

THE PLEASURE OF IMAGINATION

What wonderful pleasure one can get if he allows his imagination full play. One man who was too busy to leave home, though he needed a trip to the country very much procured a lot of Railway Guides and read them in his spare minutes. He found he was really getting as much pleasure as if he had taken the trip.

Another one tells that have covered about 20,000 miles in walking city streets in about six years, he played this game. One day he walked all the way across the United States, then the next day going through the west coast of France afterwards through Asia and so on seeing the sights as he went on, in that way he toured the world in his imagination, and found it very pleasant.

This is what Ruskin says:

"Make yourself nests of pleasant thoughts. None of us know, for none of us have been taught in early youth, what fairy palaces we may build of beautiful thought-proof against all adversity. Bright fancies, satisfied memories, noble histories, faithful sayings, treasure houses of precious and restful thoughts, which care cannot disturb nor pain make gloomy, nor poverty nor pain make us, houses built without hands, for our souls to live in."

SIR JAMES BARRIE

It has been only a short time ago since this well beloved writer passed away. He will always be remembered for his delightful stories and plays.

PETER PAN AND WENDY

In a quiet little book room in London last week the auctioneer's gavel pounded. On the block: the original manuscript of the late Sir James Barrie's novel "Peter and Wendy"—282 pages of small notepaper packed with the author's diminutive handwriting. First offer: £100. A second offer, a third, and more in spirited bidding. Then going, going, gone! for £560 to Gabriel Wells of New York.

The manuscript was written more than a quarter century ago and its inspiration goes back another ten years or so. Barrie, son of a Scottish weaver, journalist, novelist and then a rising playwright, liked to watch the children at play in London's Kensington Gardens. He helped them with make-believe pirates and underground dens. They knew him as "the little man with the black mustache." One little girl called him "friendly"—only she lisped "wendy."

Out of this play and these children the author molded the idea for his play "Peter Pan"—the tale of a boy who never grew up and who took Wendy, the girl who did grow up, on a visit to the Never Never Land. "Peter Pan."

WOMANS COLUMN

HOMECOMING: William E. Dodd, who resigned this month as American Ambassador to Germany after being a constant critic of the Nazi regime, made it plain many times that his post was not a happy one. Last week his daughter, Martha Dodd, dcelared on returning to the United States that she too had been unhappy in Germany. After four years away, she said, she was glad to come home. "It is good to be in America," she remarked, "because it is a free country."

When Miss Dodd returned to Germany a year ago after a brief stay in the United States, she joked about women's styles in the Third Reich. "In Germany skirts are very long," she said. "I had to have all mine shortened" for wear in America. Then she added that the Germans would be shocked when they saw her short skirts. Miss Dodd has been an admirer of President Roosevelt. Once, after a fifteen-minute talk with him, the blue-eyed daughter of Ambassador Dodd declared: "Mr. Roosevelt is the most impressive statesman I've ever met in my life."

OPIE READ

Mr. Read was here and lectured during one of the Chautauqua sessions. He died a few weeks ago.

STORY - TELLER: Chicago fifty years ago hailed a new star in its literary galaxy—Opie Read. His songs and stories of the South were widely read. Theodore Roosevelt once wrote him: "Out West I have lain with my head on a saddle reading your yarns." Last week Opie Read reached 85, and though his books already fill a goodsized shelf, he declared he still had several more to write. A big man, well over six feet, he has always described himself as a "mere child in comparison" with his Tennessee relatives. One of his kinfolk went into politics, but he was so big, according to Opie Read, that "they didn't put him on a stump. They dug a hole for him to stand on."

Opie Read and Eugene Field were close friends, and of these friendship Read once recalled this story: "Gene and I went fishing on the Mississippi. We had some champagne along. Gene didn't drink much of it. I had had quite a bit. Suddenly a buzzard flew over us. Gene looked up quizzically and addressed the bird, pointing toward me the while: 'No, he's not quite ready yet.' "

In the New York Times is found the following story:

THE GOLDEN BLACKSMITH

The bearer of a name for many years synonymous in Russia with that of Rockfeller had been working as a day laborer in Summer and a carter in Winter. By a tragic reversal of fortune he had come back to the origin of his family. Nikita, the first Demidoff to come into history, was a blacksmith serf somewhere in the Urals. He was born in 1665. According to the legend, Peter the Great, traveling in the Urals, broke one of his most prized English pistols. Nikita mended it skillfully. The Czar promised to remember him. Curiously enough, he did so after a time.

He gave him a vast tract of imperial land, rich in iron and silver. The blacksmith made money in many ways. About 1720 the Czar ennobled him, but gave him no title. Still, the patent gave him all the privileges of the Russian artistocracy. He could own as many serfs as he wanted to. As the years went on, the family got richer and richer. They were not admitted to the Almanach de Gotha till 1908. Prince Alexander is said to have married a Narischkin. It was a Narischkin who said that "there are no Prince Demidoffs in Russia." At the end of the eighteenth century Nikita's great-grandson bought the palace and fief of San Donato at Florence. The latter carried the title of count. Just before that cultivated rapscallion Anatole Demidoff married Jerome Bonaparte's daughter Mathilde, the Grand Duke of Tuscany made him Prince of San Donato.

Not till 1872 were the princes of San Donata permitted to hear the title at St. Petersburg. Anatole abused his wife. They were separated after a few years. The Czar made him settle an annuity of $60,000 a year on the Princess. It is pleasant to remember that this charming and famous woman enjoyed it for nearly sixty years. The present head of the house, according to the Almanach, is Elim, born in 1839. His wealth before the war was described in incredible terms. Besides his vast landed estates he was said to own "inexhaustible quarries of malachite and lapis lazuli and equally inexhaustible mines of gold and, especially, silver." A fairy-book prince.

An anecdote of his youth recalls the spendthrift magnificence of the rich Russian. He was in the South of France. Summoned to pass his college examination in St. Petersburg, he refused to go. Instead he brought the university faculty of examiners to Nice in a special train. They ate of the fat and drank of the sweet, and more particularly of the dry, champagne, the drinking water of Russian bigways in those days. Isn't it strange that he passed the examination wiht flying colors? The Demidoffs ate their cake in the days before they or some of them had to work for their daily bread. From shirt sleeves to shirt sleeves, from serf to day laborer: so turns the inexorable wheel.

MILLINGTON

Mrs. Emma Airey, of Catonsville, Md., is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Jones for the Christmas holidays.

A number of young folks of this community were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Church in honor of their three sons who are at home from school for the holidays. From a distance there were five friends of Gordon Church, three friends of Alden Church and four friends of George Church present. Refreshments were served and a lovely time was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin and children, of Wilmington, Del., were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Jones. Her sister, Miss Ethel Jones, returned home with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Tabor Wilcox and daughter, Sylvia, of Green, New York, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Carr, Jr., of Wilmington, Del., Paul Carr, Sr., and Miss Sarah Blackwell, of Auburn, N. Y., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Stevens of Chicago, Ill., spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Stevens, near town.

Mr. and Mrs. Goldy Schelts and family were Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coleman, near Sudlersville, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Burris and duaghter, Helen spent Christmas day at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Burris, near Sudlersville, Md.

Mrs. Frank Carmine and son, Terry, were guests this week of relatives in Millsboro, Del.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gleave, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Geriot, of Philadelphia, Mr. Larry McGarrity and Miss Helen Higman, of Wilmington, Del., spent the week end at the home of Mrs. Belle Higman on Crane Street.

Mr. Adolphus Davis is not at all improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burris were Christmas Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Shelts, near Chesterville, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Nat Bramble were visitors on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bailey, near Clayton, Del.

Mr. J. Sidney Godwin and two daughters, Misses Kathryn and Blanche and Jane Fletcher, of Philadelphia, were Sunday guests at the home of Fred C. Numbers.

Mr. Thomas A. Godwin, who has been ill for some time is somewhat improved and had a number of Christmas callers to wish him a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mr. George S. Everett had with him for Christmas his daughter and son in law, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Miller, of Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McGuire, of Wilmington, Del., were visitors on Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jones on Cypress St.

Mr. Charles Bell spent a few days recently at hte home of his mother, Mrs. Flornece Bell in Denton, Md.

Mr. Joseph Tubbs, of Salisbury, Md., is a guest this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Leo Gale.

The Home Missionary Society of Asbury M. E. Church met on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Neal, near town.

Miss Florence Gale, of Baltimore, is spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Leo Gale.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fleeman and daughter, Helen, of Wilmington, Del., and Mr. and Mrs. Cippel and children, of Reading, Pa., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Radnor.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Higman and three children, Marjorie, James Booth and Pat are on a two weeks trip through Florida and are having a fine trip.

Mr. Richard Hutton, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Higman on Monday.

Miss Charlotte Jones, of Wilmington, Del., spent Christmas day at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Jones.

Miss Margaret Lee, of Wilmington, Del., spent Christmas Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. James Spence, of Smyrna, Del., spent last Saturday with her mother, Mrs. George B. Jones.

Willard Porter, of Wilmington, Del., spent the week end wit hhis mother Mrs. Eva W. Marvel.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Godwin and son, Thomas, of Philadelphia, spent Christmas Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Godwin, near town.

Miss Evelyn Cochran and Miss Blanche Reese spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Loper and brother, Linden, near Dover, Del.

Mrs. Marguerite Walker and son, Noah, Jr., of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Mary Fitch and daughter, Arelee, of Florida, were Christmas Day guests of their mother, Mrs. John P. Ahern

Edgar T. Stevens and Spencer Coleman, of Crumpton, were gunning on Monday last and had fine sport.

Mrs. John McLane and little son, John, Jr., of Pittsburg, Pa., are spending some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Leo Gale.

Rev. Parker is quite sick at his home and the pulpit at Asbury Church was filled on Sunday by the Rev. Edward Todd, of Ellsmere, Del., both morning and evening services in a very acceptable manner.

Mrs. George Smith has been quite sick of a cold but is better at this writing. She was visited on Monday by her daughter, Mrs. James Lee, of Chestertown, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Higman entertained a few friends on Christmas Day. Among them were the following:—Rev. and Mrs. William M. Parker, Dr. G. L. Copeland, Miss Clara Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Compton and son, Joseph F., Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Sudler G. West, of Millington, Mrs. Sara F. Taylor, of Philadelphia, Mrs. Sallie Sparks and son, Parvis Sparks, of Sudlersville, Md., and Rev. and Mrs. Edward Todd, of Elsmere, Del.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Numbers, Jr., Misses Mary E. and Helen V. Numbers, Julian C. Numbers, Miss Florence C. Tomlinson and Fred C. Numbers were guests last Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Phil W. Downes and famuy of Denton, Md.

Mr. Edgar T. Stevens spent Christmas day with his niece and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Geiser at Queen Ann, Md.

Several cases of measles have developed following the scarlet fever in this community. None of them is serious and all are progressing nicely.

Miss Sara E. Taylor, of Philadelphia is viisting with Mr. and Mrs. John Higman.

No Arms for Charlemagne

Charlemagne lived from 742 to 814. Heraldic devices made their first appearance in Europe more than 300 years later, in the middle of the Twelfth century. Their greatest development began in the Thirteenth century.

Composition of Lavender Water

The composition of lavender water is a combination of English and French lavender oils, alcohol and water, sometimes with the addition of musk, civet or orris oil as a fixative.

Dinosaur Was a Glutton

The dinosaur was not the fearsome beast many have supposed, but as a matter of fact he did nothing but eat all day when he roved the West 150,000,000 years ago, the Smithsonian institution revealed.

Use of the Mouth

"You got to use yoh mouth foh somethin'," said Uncle Eben, "an' grown folks goes on bein' a good deal like babies. If you don't keep 'em fed, dey's bound to holler."

Technique in Colors

When an artist paints a picture he does not think of his colors in terms of red, green and blue so much as placing "warm" colors against "cold" colors on his canvas.

Revealing Secrets

"To be sure your words will be repeated," said Hi Ho, the sage of Chinatown, "say that what you tell is so significant that it must be held in deep confidence."

The Quality of Attention

The one serviceable, safe, certain, remunerative attainable quality in every study and pursuit is the quality of attention.

Fooling Too Much

"A man dat starts in to fool a lot o' folks," said Uncle Eben, "generally fools hisse'f considerable, by way of practice."

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SYLVANUS SAMPSON

late of said county, deceased. All persons claims against said deceased are hereby warned to file in said Court their claim against said decedent, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, on or before the 4th day of June, 1938; they may otherwise, by law, be excluded from all benefit of said estate. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

Given under my hand this 30th day of November, 1937.

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