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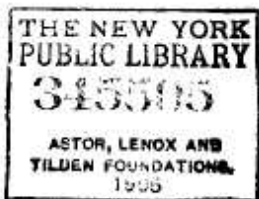


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HAPPY NEW-YEAR

When Time has set the shadow of
His frown upon the hills,
And cut the rocky curses for
The torrents and the rills;
And belted hist'ry's landscape with
His russet swath of death,
A happy new-year then I wish
To all who share my breath.

When Time has plucked the sun from out
His chariot of blaze,
And veiled the moon in blood, and rolled
The skies in darkest maze,
I wish you all a glad retreat
Beneath the mighty wing
Of Him who sends Archangel forth
The end of time to sing.