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CARRIERS,

Annual Address

TO THE PATRONS OF THE

Washington Gazette,

ON

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 1st,**

1876.

Beresford,

Printer.

# GAZETTE, 1876.

## I.

The happy New Year comes again,  
Yet comes as ne'er it came before!  
Like sun-lit drops of summer rain,  
Through all the air the glad tones pour  
Of bells, exultant bells,  
And still, to greet the joyous skies,  
Innumerable shouts arise,  
Triumphant music swells!

## II.

From ocean bound to ocean bound,  
The mountains to the mountains call:  
The vales repeat the thrilling sound,  
The plains, the lakes, the rivers all!  
For Freedom hails the DAY,  
The advent of the proudest time  
Since Chaos heard the VOICE SUBLIME,  
And shrank, abashed, away!

## III.

One hundred years! One hundred years  
Of liberty, their course have run;  
The dawn was faint, in clouds and tears,  
Now shines the world-delighting sun!  
Ye favored, brave and free,  
To heaven, to earth your pride proclaim,  
No age hath won so grand a fame—  
*And what is yet to be?*

## IV.

Another DAY like this shall come  
And wake a wider, louder shout;  
To all its echoing thunder dumb,  
New scenes shall compass ye about:  
Yet who has power to say  
Ye shall not look with sov'reign love,  
And feel new happiness above,  
To see your children's DAY!

## V.

A thousand years—unceasing still  
Through thousands, may the Hundredth year,  
At each return, its millions thrill,  
Be happier yet, and yet more dear:

While nations hid in night  
Shall one by one receive the bliss,  
The welcome and the sister kiss,  
The majesty of light!

## VI.

The PRESS is ever active—so  
Live thoughts, and bravely marching go,  
Heroic soldiers, sure to win  
When right shall lead their columns on!  
Down sinks each citadel of sin!  
The boastful enemy is gone!  
Wherever may the Press be free,  
There Virtue dwells, there Liberty!

## VII.

I hear a shrill toned voice: it cries—  
The Press is mighty, grand, good, wise;  
But there is something more, though less—  
Without the CARRIER, what's the Press?  
Great iron giant, lo! it stands,  
Begging the help of little hands!

## VIII.

And little hands did never yet  
Decline to aid the gay GAZETTE!

## IX.

Though summer fire come scorching down,  
We bear it through the eager town;  
At many a door and garden gate,  
We know our friends expectant wait,  
And all along, from street to street,  
In passers-by good friends we meet.

## X.

Though rain, hail, snow and ice abound,  
We run, we slide our circle round;  
And so, the year complete, we trust—  
Indeed, we know—your hearts are just,  
And liberal, and love the joys  
Of faithful, grateful

**CARRIER BOYS.**

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