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Our fore-fathers hail'd him as we hail him now,

With the ever green leaves round his ever glad brow,

When smok'd the oak benches with good homely fare.

Plum pudding, roast beef, stout October so rare,

He smil'd at the zest which the bold yeoman show'd,

When the trenchers were filld, and the foaming brown flow'd,

Then as the cheer raisd the mirth to a roar,

Old Christmas laugh'd out, till his old sides were sore,

Who was the best friend of our fathers I pray?

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Merry Old Christmas!

Dear to the heart as the sun to the day.

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Good lack! what mad pranks the old joker has seen,
When the girls were entrapp'd 'neath the Missletoe green;
But why should we envy the jolly years fled,
We have eyes quite as bright and ripe lips quite as red.
Our country is dear as it ever has been,
Where honour and liberty ever is seen;
Our stout manly hearts every foe can withstand,
And the world still confesses Columbia the land.
Then welcome old Christmas to every heart dear,
Welcome old Christmas to every heart dear,
Sing to old Christmas!

Happy old Christmas!

With hearts blythe and warm may he long find us here.