

Tho' earth may be clad in a mantle of snow.

It is the fair season that hearts warmest Glow.

When sweetly is ringing in tones fresh and clear the glad salutation, "A Happy New Year!"

To the year that has flown, like a friend that was true,  
With a lingering fondness we've bidden adieu,  
And behind us are left all the scenes sad or drear,  
While before us lies smiling a happy new year.

From neighbor to neighbor we catch the refrain,  
As joyously back it is wafted again;  
And hearts that are sorrowing lighten and cheer  
When they kindly are greeted with "Happy New Year!"

How pleasing the thought as the months calmly glide,  
That the privilege blessed to none is denied,  
Tho' meager his portion and lowly his sphere,  
Of helping to make this a happy new year.

For small acts of kindness that fall by the way,  
A beauty can add to the summer's bright day,  
And language of tenderness soft on the ear,  
With love can illumine the happy new year.

O Father of Light! from Thy mansions so high,  
On Thy children look down with compassionate eye!  
Oh, keep in Thy favor our loved ones so dear,  
And grant to Thy children a happy new year!

Mrs. Rosa Graff Stout was born in London, England Sept. 10, 1840. Her father was a merchant and manufacturer in London but in 1847 emigrated to the United States. He settled in the

city of Buffalo where he also became very successful.

Rosa developed a taste for literature and music at an early age. She wrote a number of pieces for magazines and daily papers. She also was quite proficient as a pianist, and in fact, taught piano for many years. Rosa taught in at least two public schools in Buffalo and was appointed assistant principal of one.

She married Robert W. Stout of Buffalo in 1867. Around 1890 they moved into a new home which they called "Rose Villa" on South Main Street in Albion. The 1894 Orleans County Directory lists Rosa Stout as a poet at 189 Main Street. Our house photo shows Rose Villa as it looked before a large north wing was added by Schuyler Hazard in the 1920's. In the 1950's this house became Rose Villa Nursing Home and is presently the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Tilden.

When Rosa Stout died, her grief-stricken husband of forty-six years compiled a book of her many poems entitled The Souvenir Edition - Rosa Graff Stout's Poetical Works. This illustrated edition was printed in Buffalo in 1913 and given out by Robert Stout to Rosa's many friends and family. He wrote: "She was an accomplished and pure-minded woman who wrote nothing but what will appeal to the affections and spiritual nature of all who love refinement and culture of high order. Each poem teaches an impressive lesson or points of a moral."

The Orleans County Department of History was recently presented with this 120-page souvenir volume from Lorraine Oakley and Company. Indeed, Rosa Stout was not only profuse but proficient as a poet. She was laid to rest in Mt. Albion on May 7, 1912.

This photographic portrait from The Souvenir Edition was perhaps the way she appeared in the 1870's.

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