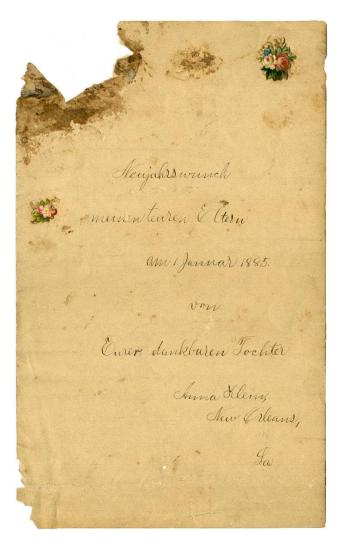
A New Year's Day Poem In 1885, Anna E. Klein presented her parents with a homemade card (written in beautiful German script) with a wish for the new year. Anna was 11 years, 8 months old.



New Year's Wish

to my dear parents

on 1. January 1885

from

Your thankful daughter

Anna Klein, New Orleans,

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 God sends a new year down To us in this Pilgrim land Our songs of thanks praise Him It is He alone, who sent it To God I lift up my gaze For the happiness of my dear parents.

- 2. For your love, your goodness

 I joyfully give my thanks

 For your heart does not tire

 Of caring for me year after year
 Yes, your love, your faithfulness
 They are renewed every morning.
- 3. Therefore, I wish that God will give You always pleasure and joy
 With eagerness I will strive to dedicate To you a thankful heart
 That is my wish, God make it so Then there will be a happy new year.