

KWADRU NPU 4

L-EWWEL TAS-SENA

FL-EWWEL TAS-SENA KIEN HEMM DRAWWIET FILL-BLIET U FIL-IRHULA.
 FILL-BLIET XI DAQQAQA U GHANNEJA KIENU JMORRU KMIENU QUDDIEM
 IL-BIEB TAS-SINJURI, LI KIENU JOHORGU JTUHOM XI HAGA. BIEX
 JAWGURAW SENA GDIDA LILL XI HADD, GIE LI KIENU JGHAMLU L-GIR
 FUQ L-GHATBA TAL-BIEB. IT-TFAL KIENU JIGGERREW MAT-TOROQ
 U JGHIDULEK "IS-SENA T-TAJBA", U KIENU JISTENNEW LI TAGHTIHM
 XI SITT HABBIET. KIENET DRAWWA UKOLL LI JIEKLU L-HUT
 FL-EWWEL TAS-SENA. GHALL-EWWEL MA KIENUX JAGHTU RIGALI
 FILL-MILIED, IZDA KIENU JAGHTU L-ISTRINA, FL-EWWEL TAS-SENA.

PAINTING No.4

NEW YEAR CUSTOMS

THERE USED TO BE NEW YEAR CUSTOMS IN TOWNS AND VILLAGES. IN
 THE TOWNS OR CITY THE CUSTOMS WERE RATHER DIFFERENT FROM THOSE
 OF THE VILLAGES. MUSICIANS USED TO PLAY SOME MUSIC AND SING
 IN FRONT OF THE DOORS OF WELL TO DO FAMILIES TO WISH THEM A
 HAPPY NEW YEAR, RECEIVING SOME COIND IN RETURN. IT WAS ALSO
 A CUSTOM TO SPREAD SOME LIME ON THE DOORSTEP OF HOUSEHOLDS TO
 WISH THEM A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR. MANY USED TO EAT FISH ON
 NEW YEAR'S DAY, AND FISH HAWKERS WENT ROUND THE STREETS WITH
 TRAYS OF FISH. MANY CHILDREN USED TO GO ROUND THE STREETS
 WISHING A NEW YEAR TO THOSE THEY MEET, EXPECTING A COIN IN
 RETURN.