

The Miami Chief.

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CHRISTMAS GIFT SUGGESTIONS

The Happy Yuletide is Almost Here; the way to Be Happy yourself is to Make Others Happy: Don't be Stingy.

WIFE FOR YOUR HUSBAND

Mat—Cap—Shoes—Suspenders—Necktie—Handkerchiefs—Gloves—Cigars—Overcoat—Suit of Clothes—House Slippers—Shirts—Socks and such. A man appreciates something to eat or wear.

Also go to the Johnson Mercantile Co. for any of these presents. They can please you.

PAPA AND MAMMA FOR YOUR CHILDREN

Dolls—Desks—Sleds—Toys of all kinds—Good Books—Picture Books—Pictures—Hat—Cap—Gloves—Shoes—Candy—Nuts—Oranges, Apples, Etc.

Likewise go to the Johnson Mercantile Co. for anything in this line. Truly Santa Claus has made this store his headquarters in Miami.

HUSBAND FOR YOUR WIFE

Dress Patterns—Gloves—Fascinators—Shoes—Skirts—Rocking Chairs so she can rest after a hard day's work—Bed Room Set to make home more cheerful—Good Lamp to read by—Wash Stand Set—Nice Candy—Oranges—Nuts—New Cook Stove that she has been needing so long, and new sink to set stove on.

Get these at the Johnson Mercantile Co. as they have the best.

In Our Grocery Department We Will Have Many Table Delicacies for Your Christmas Dinner:

JOHNSON MERCANTILE CO

J. M. WINSETT, Manager

Don't Get in a Stew.

Real sensitive people are always in a stew. They magnify frivolous things into a huge mountain and indulge in an unnecessary amount of worrying over nothing. Life from the cradle to the grave, it made up of sight, tears and laughter. It is the duty of all to cultivate a cheerful spirit—never be cast down by defeat or overjoyed with success—keep a silver lining behind every cloud. Our actions partake of our thoughts and the way our mind is bent, into that channel we unconsciously drift. Everyone has a talent for some kind of endeavor, but it must be cultivated to yield the best results. Absorption is all right as far as it goes but its process is so slow and opportunities too far apart to accomplish much. Study practice are the winning cards in the battle for existence. They should be intelligently blended together backed by a determination to win. Failure is often a blessing in disguise. It teaches one to avoid repetition of errors and shun the treacherous shoals that wrecked our most sanguine hopes in the past. Be careful and hold a tight head if you die hard. Man is an atom—small potatoes, few in a bill, here today, gone tomorrow. We repeat, be cheerful and exact as much innocent pleasure out of life as possible.—Tulia Standard.

Fort Worth is to have a new afternoon paper, to be known as the Star. Mr. Wortham will move from Austin and have editorial charge of the new publication. The directors are Winfield Scott, Paul Waple, Geo. T. Reynolds, Willard Burton, F. R. Hedrick, O. P. Menefee, A. G. Dawson, Louis J. Wortham and D. C. McCall.

The Department of Agriculture is importing some Maltese goats to be turned over to the experiment stations, and after they have multiplied themselves sufficiently will be distributed to individuals. A large number of applications for these goats have been received, not only

by the department, but by Congressmen.

Peabody, who succeeds McCurdy as president of the Mutual Life, is a Standard Oil man, and that crowd will continue to play ball with the Mutual's \$450,000,000 of assets.

On account of the theatre trust, Sarah Bernhart will tour Texas with a circus tent.

Uncle Sam has agreed on a new treaty with Mexico, fixing the boundary, regardless of how the Rio Grande may shift its channel.

John M. Gearin was appointed U. S. senator from Oregon to succeed the late Senator Mitchell. He is the first Democratic senator from Oregon since 1878.

There is talk of a \$15,000 hotel for Clarendon.

Miss Alice Roosevelt's parents announce her engagement to Congressman Longworth of Chicago.

Judge Burford at Guthrie, Okla., said that since the law went into effect in Oklahoma making it a penalty to sell or give away cigarettes or

cigarette papers that cigarette smoking has decreased 90 per cent.

The Court of Appeals of Massachusetts holds good the so-called "incontestable clause" in life insurance policies.



HOLIDAY SALES

Cut Prices on Clothing, Suits, Dress Overcoats and Duck Overcoats.

WHAT A HANDSOME, USEFUL AND COMFORTABLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT ANY OF THESE WOULD MAKE.

Trunks, Suit Cases, and All Cotton and Woolen Blankets, Also at Cut Prices

NOW, WOULDN'T EITHER A SUIT CASE OR TRUNK MAKE A NICE PRESENT?

VERY FINEST ASSORTMENT OF RUGS EVER.

A Very Suitable Present for Your Wife. Indeed. Both Useful and Ornamental.

TOYS OF ALL KINDS. PARENTS IT IS YOUR PRIVILEGE, YES, YOUR DUTY TO

Make Your Children Happy on Christmas Time

Stop a Moment in your Mad Rush of Business and Reflect on Your Childhood Days.

Gloves Make A Nice Present for Either Lady or Gentleman and we have a Complete Line of Each.

We Invite Everyone to Call and Inspect Our Holiday Display.

J. L. SEIBER & CO.

We Lead in Low Prices Others Follow.



Don't Be Irritable.

An irritated skin makes an irritable person, and an irritable person gathers much trouble unto himself or herself, as the case may be. Moral: Use Hunt's Cure, one box of which is absolutely and unqualifiedly guaranteed to cure any form of skin trouble. Any kind of itching known is relieved at once and one box cures.

Wheeler county has selected the First National Bank of Shamrock as its depository. The funds will draw 3 per cent on deposits made on a six month's basis.

A Wichita, Kansas, grain dealer will erect a grain elevator at Amarillo and prepare to handle all kinds of grain,

including kafir corn and milo maize, for which he will establish a wholesale market. This will be a boost to the whole Panhandle as it will insure a market for a crop that is never a failure here. In this connection a flour mill with elevator in Miami would facilitate the marketing of this great product.

Fiendish Suffering
is often caused by sores, ulcers and cancers that eat away your skin. Wm. Be-dell of Flatrock, Mich., says: "I have used Hunt's Arnica Salvo for ulcers, sores and cancers. It is the best healing dressing I ever found." Soothes and heals cuts, burns and scalds. 25c at Central Drug Store; guaranteed.

In the U. S. postal service last year the deficit in cost beyond expenses amounted to fifteen millions. Opportunity knocks once at every man's door. The Amarillo Business College offers the best opportunity to the ambitious young man or woman.

"It Knocks the Itch."
It may not cure all your ills, but it does cure one of the worst. It cures any form of itch ever known—no matter what its called, where the sensation is "itch," it knocks it. Eczema, ring-worms, are cured by one box. It is guaranteed, and its name is Hunt's Cure.

Good for Stomach Trouble and Constipation.
"Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have done me a great deal of good," says C. Towns of Rat Portage, Ontario, Canada. "Being a mild physique the after effects are not unpleasant, and I can recommend them to all who suffer from stomach disorder." For sale at Central Drug Store.

Profits Sacrificed. Low Prices prevail.

Strict Cash Cost Sale

Beginning Friday December 22nd and Continuing throughout the Month.

This Sale is inaugurated for the purpose of Reducing our stock preparatory to a change in business and moving into new quarters. We would rather Sacrifice Our Profit than to Move the Goods. This is a duplicate of our August Sale and you who purchased at that time know the Low Prices that prevailed.

DRY-GOODS, CLOTHING, SHOES, HATS, HOSIERY, ETC., Everything Goes.

If there is anything you need now, it will pay you big to wait a few days and take advantage of this sale!

POSITIVELY NO GOODS CHARGED AT COST PRICES.

N. F. Locke & Sons.

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etween a battleship and a new, there is some doubt as to more quickly becomes obsolete.

Christmas and a cold wave are both, but there should be no cold for the children on Christmas.

is said there is a scarcity of all bills. We have also noticed a scarcity of large bills, such as the dot-ill.

There are several beautiful young adies in Europe now building royal castles in Spain, who are sure to be disappointed.

The bridegroom who tried to travel in his bride's trunk will probably never be able to cut loose from her apron string.

The captains and the kings are curious to know what Spain can possibly want to do with those rapid fire guns lately bought.

After reading the stirring account of the hunter who was tired by a deer, sympathy runs to the four-footed animal by a large majority.

A man with a microscope and an investigating turn of mind has discovered a new variety of mosquito. He is in mighty small business.

A Washington editor says, "Give us the woman who can talk." All right. Send address, in confidence, at once.—New York Herald.

It is always well to look on the bright side of things. St. Petersburgers do not have to tip the waiters while the waiters are on strike.

The woman who burned \$100,000 because her husband had turned cold might have gained better results if she had given him "money to burn."

Warden Gould was blackballed by a college society for refusing to be hazed. However, Kingdon now, which is some compensation.

For services rendered in enemy out of Manchuria enough yen to offset any amages that China may

a Delaware town have to allow a bath for one

to advertise

of the birth of Bechaught to be especially Franklin, N. H., and all

for him.

dollars' worth of white

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in Pennsylvania, but

is not worth mentioning.

What will they think a thousand

ears from now, when our successors

on this continent dig up that four

on steel rag which was buried with

funeral obsequies in Pennsylvania?

When two preachers met at Rich-

mond, Va., a few days ago they hugged

each other so fervently that one of

Shen retired with a broken hip. This

shows that even brotherly love can go

too far.

Not since Dr. Synnax's celebrated

four in search of a wife has there

been anything to compare with King

Alfonso's swing around the circle in-

specting the marriageable princesses

of Europe.

A Chicago woman got a divorce be-

cause her husband insisted upon play-

ing the piano. Now he ought to

marry the woman who got a divorce a

few weeks ago because her husband

made her play the piano.

Old Man Giddles says he can get

people to listen to him by the hour

if he is telling mean things about

some one, but he can't hold their at-

tention over ten minutes if he is

praising some one—unless it is them-

selves.

They are talking of getting up a

subscription for the benefit of a Brook-

lyn woman who bet her little home

on a sure thing in connection with

the recent election. While they are

at it they should endeavor to have her

provided with a guardian.

A Minneapolis man has just paid

\$21,000 for a trotting horse. In spite

of the fact that he might have bought

for less than half the money an auto-

mobile that would go more than twice

as fast. Let us, therefore, acknowl-

edge that the craze for speed is not

university.

The city of New York has within

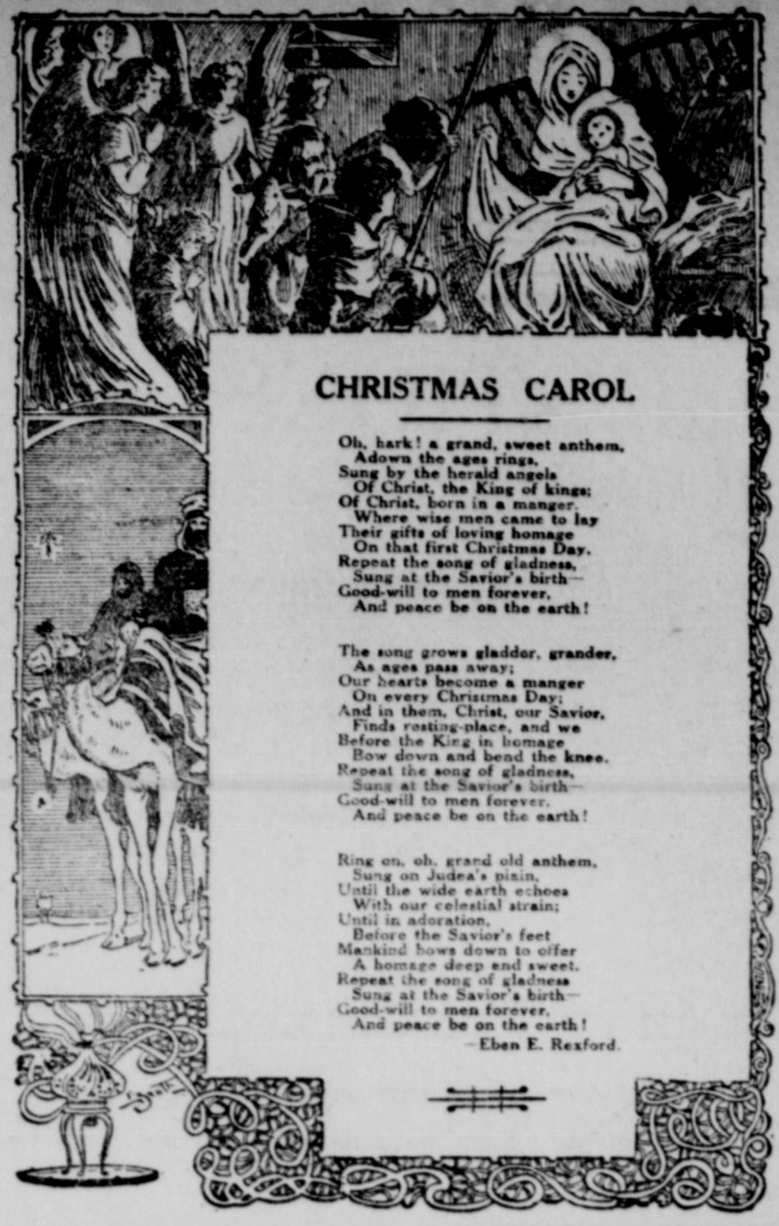
the past few months borrowed more

than \$5,000,000 from Betty Green. It

will go hard with the old town if

anything happens to cause a delay in

payment of the interest.



CHRISTMAS CAROL

Oh, hark! a grand, sweet anthem,
Adown the ages rings,
Sung by the herald angels
Of Christ, the King of kings:
Of Christ, born in a manger,
Where wise men came to lay
Their gifts of loving homage;
On that first Christmas Day.
Repeat the song of gladness,
Sung at the Saviour's birth:
Good-will to men forever,
And peace be on the earth!

The song grows gladder, grander,
As ages pass away:
Our hearts become a manger
On every Christmas Day;
And then, Christ our Saviour,
Finds resting-place, and we
Before Him bow down to offer
A homage deep and sweet.
Repeat the song of gladness,
Sung at the Saviour's birth:
Good-will to men forever,
And peace be on the earth!

Nine on, oh, grand old anthem,
Sung on Judea's plain,
Until the world's end shall
With our celestial strain:
Unto adoration,
Before the Saviour's feet
Mankind bows down to offer
A homage deep and sweet.
Repeat the song of gladness,
Sung at the Saviour's birth:
Good-will to men forever,
And peace be on the earth!

—Eben E. Reafrd.

Suggested by the Season

Of all beautiful legends, of all beautiful verse, of all stories told in all the life of the whole world, there is no tale so wondrously beautiful as the story of the Christ-child. Every man and every woman must recall those long-ago, faraway days when first the story was told to them, the story of the little babe in the manger, of the star of Bethlehem, with its rain of fire, the shepherds, the wise men and the doings of the angels. And with all the other 784 days of the year is this a memory come back over mem-ories, mental visions of those whom we loved and who have passed away; of all the sweet joys of childhood, when the world was a playground in- stead of a workshop; of fond dreams and childish disappointments. Christmas day is a time when we must pause on the journey and rest by the wayside, sipping the golden hours for re- versie and tasting the sweets of gen- erosity and tender charity.

By all manner of judgment and be- liefs we must concede that, so far as doing good is concerned, all days should be Christmas. To bestow benefits on Dec. 25, and cross words all the other 784 days of the year is to be like the common sinner who cheats his neighbor during the week and prays most energetically on the Sabbath.

Isn't the gift, it's the love and thoughtfulness that prompt it. The woman who gives because she feels it a duty is practicing deceit, and be- lieving herself. If one wishes not to bestow a holiday remembrance let one at least have the courage of one's feelings and sentiments and be true and honest about it. No human soul wears a present that is given grudgingly.

According to our way of thinking it is a beautiful thing that once a year, one may have the privilege of doing something nice for those to whom one is devoted.

The pleasure is so great that, on Dec. 26 one should decide to put a little of the Christmas spirit into daily existence.

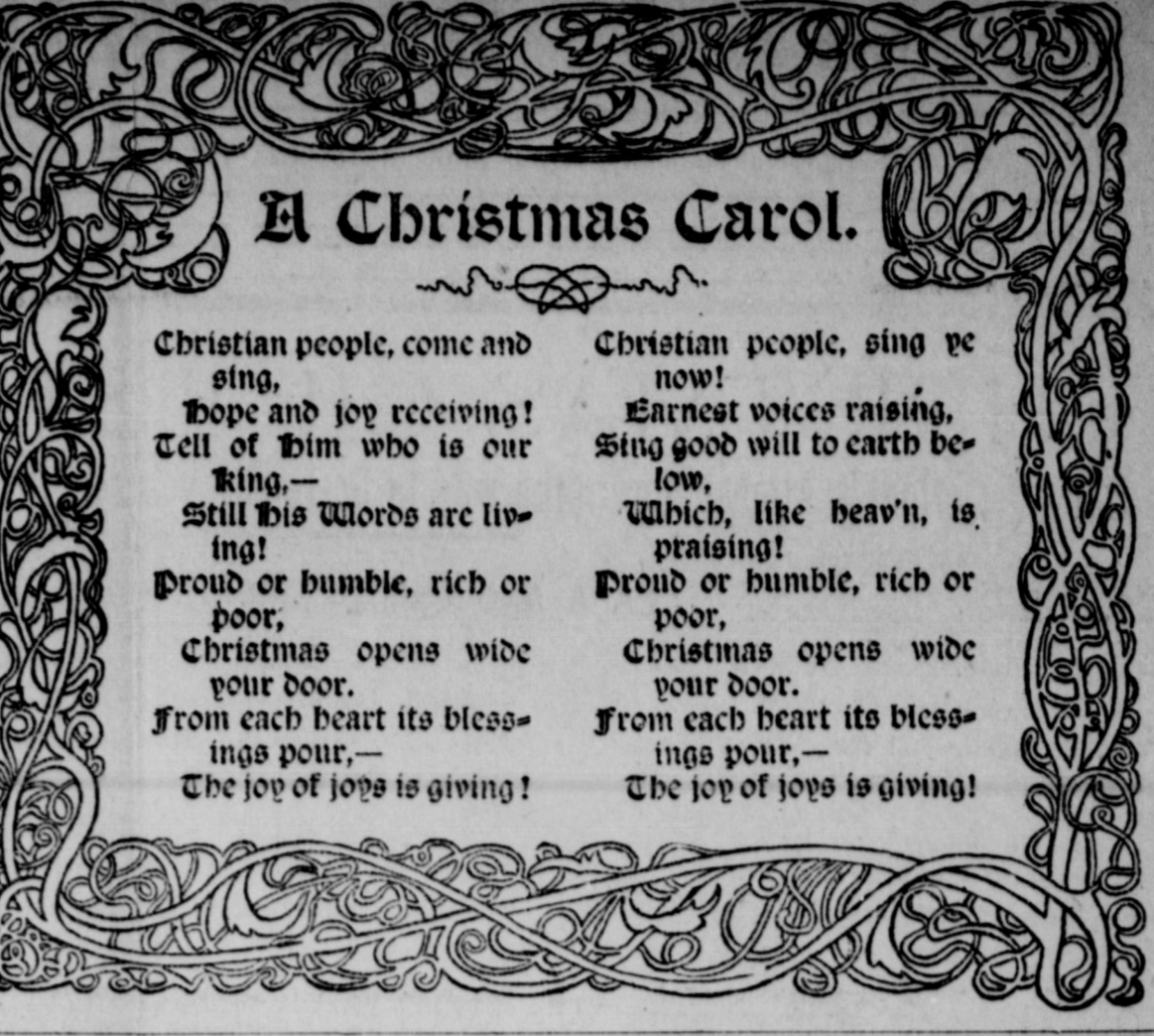
Perhaps you don't know it, but it is true nevertheless that the more you give the more you will have. There is certainly some great, wonderful power that takes away from those who are grasping and selfish, and who helps along all those whose hearts swing true.

There is such a keen pleasure in doing for others that it inspires one to work to greater endeavor and to bet- ter purposes and higher ambitions. What is there in other earthly things half so satisfying?

The woman who buys pretty clothes has the satisfaction of looking at her reflection in a mirror, but this satisfac- tion is as shadowy, as fitting, as unreal as the vision she beholds. The woman who fills her house with beau- tiful furnishings rejoices for a certain time and then the beautiful things lose in interest. The woman whose bank account grows with the years knows that she is safe from poverty.

There's something else, too. If you are going to help a little child hang up a tiny stocking, and if you are now answering all sorts of questions about Santa Claus and chimneys and rein- deers and if, on Christmas Eve, you go to a little bedside and kiss the sweetest little lips in all the world, fall upon your knees and thank God, for you are blessed!

A Merry Christmas to you all.



A Christmas Carol.

Christian people, come and sing,
Hope and joy receiving!
Tell of Him who is our King,
— Still His Words are liv- ing!
Proud or humble, rich or poor,
Christmas opens wide your door.
From each heart its bless- ings pour,
— The joy of joys is giving!

Christian people, sing ye now!
Earnest voices raising,
Singing good will to earth be- low,
Which, like heav'n, is prating!
Proud or humble, rich or poor,
Christmas opens wide your door.
From each heart its bless- ings pour,
— The joy of joys is giving!

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

Time was, with most of us, when Christmas day encircling all our limited world like a magic ring, left nothing out for us to miss or seek; bound together all our home enjoyments, affections, and hopes; grouped every- thing and every one around the Christ- mas fire; and made the little picture shining in our bright young eyes, com- plete.

Time came, perhaps, all so soon! when our thoughts overlapped that narrow boundary; when there was some one (very dear, we thought then, very beautiful, and absolutely perfect) wanting to the fullness of our happi- ness; when we were wanting too (or we thought so, which did just as well), as the Christmas hearth by which that some one sat; and when we interest- ed with every wreath and garland of our life that some one's name.

That was the time for the bright visionary Christmases which have long arisen from us to show faintly, after summer rain, in the palest edges of the rainbow! That was the time for the beautiful enjoyment of the things that were to be, and never were, and yet the things that were so real in our resolute hope that it would be hard to say now, what realities achieved since, have been stronger!

What! Did that Christ- mas never really come when we and the prettiest pearl who was our young choice were received, after the hap- piest of totally impossible marriages, by the two united families previously at dag- gers-drawn on our account? When brothers and sisters-in-law who had always been rather cool to us before our relationship was offered, perfectly doted on us, and when fathers and mothers overwhelmed us with unlim- ited incomes. Was that Christmas dinner never really eaten, after which we arose, and generously and eloquently rendered honor to our late rival, present in company, then and there exchanging friendship and acquiescence, and founding an attachment, not to be sur- passed in Greek or Roman story, which subsisted until death? Has that same rival long ceased to care for that same precious pearl, and married for money, and be- come a usurious? Above all, do we really know, now, that we should probably have been miserable if we had won and worn the pearl, and that we are better without her?

That Christmas when we had re- cently achieved so much fame; when we had been carried in triumph some- where, for doing something great and good; when we had won an honored and embossed name, and arrived and were received at home in a shower of tears of joy; is it possible that that Christmas has not come yet?

And is our life here, at the best, so constituted that, pausing as we ad- vance at such a noticeable milestone in the track of this great journey, we look back on the things that never were, as naturally and full as gravely as on the things that have been and are gone, or have been and still are? If it be so, and so it seems to be, must we come to the conclusion, that life



A Christmas Carol

The earth is bare and dreary,
And cheerless is the light,
The distant hills are gleaming,
With snow-drifts deep and white,
The summer birds are silent,
The flowers in their beds lie,
Upon the earth's warm bosom,
Safeguarded from the snow,
The dear old year is flying,
But ere it quite departs,
With beams of golden glory,
It cheers our wifely hearts
For Christmas—merry Christmas
The Christmas Day of Days,
A tender benediction
Upon its softly lay.

Oh Christmas—merry Christmas!
In spirit we go back,
To see the star that guided
The angels in their track,
To see the Baby Jesus
Upon his lowly bed,
While search lights adore him,
Sung praises o'er his head
And we in spirit kneel and pray,
The Babe of Bethlehem
New born of Virgin Mother,
And with us in our hearts
Oh Son of God, most Holy,
And ever our comforter,
But Thou, our King and Savior,
Wilt be the Guest of all!

Oh, Christmas—merry Christmas!
It comes to make gladness
It comes to high and lowly,
To happy and to sad;
It comes, with cheer and tristesse,
Our drooping hearts to cheer
And touch with tender glory,
These last days of the year,
With golden rays of promise,
The hopes that still have left
To fuller life it quickens,
And they who have been weary,
Good-will all hearts uniting,
We bid vexations cease—
Then unto earth give peace
—Helen Marion Burnside.

The Bethlehem Star

The Bethlehem Star! The Guiding Star
Of Old Judeah's night,
That shone across the desert
Across the orient night?
The genius of Science, and the guess
Of little, soot, and soot?
Has it the dimmer glow, or less
For change of color and hue?
Star of the East! It is not set;
Though Science scut the sky,
The burning in the heaven yet,
As when the Shepherds saw it dance
—Over the hills and valleys,
And followed it until it came
And showed a Christ to them.

The Bethlehem Star—each mother sees
Its holy promise, and its fate,
Believing each its destiny,
Her darling's in the night,
Believing each the little star
Is set above her son
To light her mother-hopes that are
And shine when her life is done.

The Christmas Star

A little Star all undimmed
Shone down the ages of old
White-footed, smiling, unafraid
It passed the orb of greater light,
It held its slender taper high,
The tiny splendor glowing far,
It was the star of Bethlehem,
For lo! it was the Christmas Star.

A little child knelt in the dark,
With clear eyes raised and lifted face,
She saw the tiny twinkling spark
Move on from its appointed place,
The tears welled so she scarce could see,
Its orb the long hair of earth,
"Mother," she cried, "it comes to me,
"It kindled my eyes—the Christmas Star!"

The Christmas Feeling

I like the Christmas Feeling that is
lingering all the air,
That fills the street and busy stores,
and centers everywhere;
I like the easy manner of the people on
the street,
The kindly-laden people, and the shop-
pers' smiling faces;
There's a glow of warmth and splendor
in the windows all the way,
There's a glow in people's faces which
has lately stolen there;
And everywhere the bells ring out with
merry peal and chime,
Which makes me think of the Feeling of
the happy Christmas time.

Holly Song

The holly is for happiness;
Hang it, hang it high,
When the holly moon be-
gins to show its rays in the sky.
The holly is for heartsome cheer;
Hang it, hang it high,
With the glory of the year
Lights the brightest on the sky.
The holly is for home-side mirth;
Hang it, hang it high,
Till the dearest day of earth
Fades in shades from the sky.
—Clinton Scollard.

Christmas Folk Song

The little Jesus came to town,
The wind blew up, the wind blew down,
Out in the street the wind was bold,
Now who would house him from the cold?
Then opened wide a stable door,
Fair wore the rushes on the floor,
The ox put forth a homes head,
"Come, little Lord, here make thy bed."
Up rose the sheep that fedled near,
"Thou Lamb of God, come enter here."
He entered there to rush and feed,
Who was the Lamb of God, indeed.
The little Jesus came to town,
With ox and sheep he laid him down,
From the stable he came to rest,
For that they housed him from the cold,
—Lizette Woodworth Rees in Lippincott.

Merry Christmas

Merry Christmas! Holy night,
Bringing God from Heaven's height,
Turning darkness into light,
Pressing man from Satan's might,
Gathering millions up to right!
With the angels' voices bright,
With thy children's love and light,
With the scenes of pure delight,
Come again, O Holy Night!

is little better than a dream, and little worth the loves and strivings that we crowd into it?

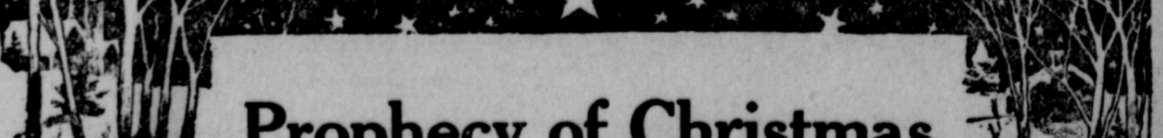
No! Far be such misallied philo- sphy from us, dear reader, on Christ- mas day! Nearer and closer to our hearts be the Christmas spirit, which is the spirit of active usefulness, per- severance, cheerful discharge of duty, kindness, and forbearance! It is in the last virtues especially, that we are, or should be, strengthened by the unaccomplished visions of our youth; for who shall say that they are not our teachers to deal gently even with the impalpable nothings of the earth?

Therefore, as we grow older, let us be more thankful that the circle of our Christmas associations and of the les- sons that they bring, expands! Let us welcome every one of them and summon them to take their places by the Christmas hearth.



Boricelli's Madonna

Welcome, old aspirations, glittering creatures of an ardent fancy, to your shelter underneath the holly! We know you, and have not outlived you yet. Welcome, old projects and old loves, however, fleeting, to your nooks among the staidier lights that burn around us. Welcome, all that was ever real to our hearts; and for the earnestness that made you real, thanks to Heaven! Do we build no Christmas castles in the clouds now? Let our thoughts, fluttering like but- terflies among these flowers of child- hood, bear witness! Before this boy, there stretches out a future, brighter than we ever looked on in our old ro- mantic time, but bright with honor and with truth. Around this little head on which the sunny curls lie heaped, the graces sport, as prettily, as idly, as when there was no scythe within the reach of Time to shear away the curls of our first-love. Upon another girl's face near it—paler but smiling bright—a quiet and con- tented little face, we see Home fair- litten. Shining from the word, as



Prophecy of Christmas

In its prophetic sense Christmas be- comes an annual review-day for the world, a time of stock taking, a mile- stone in the march of human progress. The angels sang of what was coming, not of what had come. The shepherds in the track of this great journey, we look back on the things that never were, as naturally and full as gravely as on the things that have been and are gone, or have been and still are? If it be so, and so it seems to be, must we come to the conclusion, that life

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

A merry, merry Christmas and a happy, bright New Year!
How sweet the kind old greetings sound in every heart and ear.
No matter how care-burden'd, and no matter how depressed,
A something in their welcome makes them dear to every breast.

We heard them in our childhood, when with spirits light and gay
We dreamed not that life's joyful hours could ever pass away;
And though long years of carefulness have sobered many a heart,
A joy still lingers round them which can never quite depart.

As fits the solemn Christmas tide,
As fits the holy Christmas tide,
Be this, kind friends, our carol still:
"Be peace on earth, be peace on earth
To men of gentle will."
—William Makepeace Thackeray.

Is Disease a Crime?

Not very long ago, a popular magazine published an editorial article in which the writer asserted, in substance, that all disease should be regarded as criminal.

It would be harsh, unsympathetic, cruel, yes, criminal, to condemn the poor, weak, over-worked housewife who sinks under the heavy load of household cares and burdens, and suffers from weakness, various displacements of pelvic organs and other derangements peculiar to her sex.

Frequent bearing of children, with its exacting demands upon the system, coupled with the care, worry and labor of rearing a large family, is often the cause of weakness, derangements and debility which are aggravated by the many household cares, and the hard, un-revering work which the mother is called upon to perform.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is sent free on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing. It is sold by all druggists and is available in 15-cent one-cent stamps for paper-covered, or 25-cent stamps for cloth-bound.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets invigorate and regulate stomach, liver and bowels.

Much of the bitterness of life comes from swallowing one's own words.

There are men, manly men and gentlemen, in which class are you?

Mr. Window's Sooling Syrup, (taken teaching, softens the gums, reduces in size, relieves pain, cures wind colic, etc.)

Mr. Window's Sooling Syrup, (taken teaching, softens the gums, reduces in size, relieves pain, cures wind colic, etc.)

Superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch is taking the place of all others.

In eating soup many a man tips the plate who forgets to tip the waiter.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Use LAXATIVE BROOM QUINA TABLETS. Druggists everywhere. Price 10c per box.

The girl who dislikes the odor of tobacco should never choose a man who smokes.

Those Who Have Tried It. Will use no other. Defiance Cold Water Starch had equal in quantity of Quality—16 oz. for 10 cents. Other brands contain only 12 oz.

When words fail to express a woman's contempt for a man he enjoys a woman's peace.

HAVE NO RIGHT TO SUFFER

Constipation, Bowel and Stomach Trouble.

Q. What is the beginning of sickness?

A. Constipation. Q. What is the result of constipation?

A. Failure of the bowels to carry off the waste matter which lies in the alimentary canal where it decays and poisons the entire system. Eventually the results are death under the name of some other disease.

Q. What causes constipation?

A. Neglect to respond to the call of nature promptly. Lack of exercise. Excess of brain work. Mental emotion and improper diet.

Q. What are the results of neglected constipation?

A. Constipation causes more suffering than any other disease. It causes rheumatism, colic, indigestion, headache, dizziness, lung and heart troubles, etc.

Q. Can it be cured?

A. Yes, with proper treatment. The common error is to resort to physics, such as pills, salts, mineral water, castor oil, etc.

Q. What should be done to cure it?

A. Get a bottle of Mulla's Grape Tonic at once. Mulla's Grape Tonic will positively cure Constipation and Stomach Trouble in the shortest space of time.

Q. What is Mulla's Grape Tonic?

A. It is a Compound with 40 per cent of the juice of Concord Grapes. It exerts a peculiar strengthening, healing influence upon the intestines so that they can do their work unaided.

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Senator Cockran Maintained That the Power of Taxation Was a Legitimate Weapon for the Control of Privileges of Commerce.

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Several senators took up the subject. On account of the delicacy of the question the debate naturally was not as open as would be necessary for final determination of the matter.

Mr. Bailey raised the point by inquiring of Mr. Hale, when the latter presented the new list of standing committees, whether every senator had been provided with a place.

Mr. Hale responded that every senator except Mr. Burton of Kansas had been given assignments, and that he had been left off the committees at his own request until the charges against him had been disposed of by the courts.

Mr. Bailey protested against any senator's name being kept on the roll unless he was given work to do and argued that it is the duty of the senate, to itself, to Kansas and to the country to investigate the charges against Mr. Burton and determine whether he is entitled to a seat in the senate.

In response several senators called attention to the fact that congress is following the precedent of the English parliament.

Mr. Teller defended the late Senator Mitchell, saying that it would take more than the word of "a self convicted thief, perjurer and forger" to convince him that Mr. Mitchell had committed a crime.

Mr. Spooner said that Senator Burton had all the rights of a senator and was entitled to places on committees and that he had relieved a situation of great embarrassment by asking to be left off the committees.

He thought that Mr. Burton had acted very properly in absenting himself from the senate under the circumstances.

Mr. Spooner said Mr. Fulton was advised by senators not to announce the death of Senator Mitchell as there would be opposition to resolutions for eulogies.

Mr. Bailey said he was one of the senators who so advised the Oregon senator.

When a senator felt a sense of delicacy which prevented him from appearing in the senate he ought to resign. If vindicated of the charges against him his constituents would give him a vindication also.

Mr. Lodge declared that there was no rule of the senate declaring that notice shall be taken of the death of a senator, and he defended the action of the senate in its treatment of Senator Mitchell's death and of the committee in its treatment of Senator Burton.

Answering criticisms that had been made by Mr. Bailey that the senate's silence in regard to members charged with offenses subjected the senators to jests, Mr. Daniel said that any person who would originate any plan to insure senators against ribald jests would be hailed as the greatest inventor of the age, and he advised the senate to adopt the philosophy of the states in relation to such criticisms.

The resolution naming the committees was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Gallinger the ship subsidy bill was taken up which makes it the unfinished business before the senate.

The senate at 2:45 went into executive session and at 3:15 adjourned.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The four days before the holiday adjournment will be dedicated in the house to further discussion of federal control of insurance and to completing the enactment of the Panama emergency appropriation. There are many members who desire to talk about insurance.

Speaker Cannon has concurred in the general view in the house that the president's message furnishes as good a basis as anything else for this debate.

Many members will not wait until Thursday to return to their homes for the holidays.

Committee work will progress during the debate. The ways and means committee will continue its hearings of the Philippine tariff and the appropriations committee will begin the preparation of the District of Columbia appropriation bill.

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R. G. McCauley, having sold his place, has moved to town into the Fitch residence near the school house.

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All our merchants report Monday a hummer. The greatest sales day for weeks. All this week trade has been extra good.

J. E. Stanley of Wheeler county is in Miami to close the deal for the sale of his residence here to B. F. Jackson.

Rev. J. Samuel H. Cone and Mrs. Cone were up from Canadian Thursday to the social affair at the Martin home.

NOTICE—The Stone & Houston lumber yard will not be open on Monday December 25th, as the Manager will be away on a visit.

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J. C. Osborne, the new drayman, comes before the public in a business way and solicits a liberal share of your trade. Note at news here.

On Friday night, December 25th, came out and pass judgment on "Masonry a la Lease" and see if you don't pronounce the play the best ever.

Miss Mary Coffee's winsome smile greets the customers at the Johnson Mercantile Co's store this week. Miss Coffee is helping through the holiday rush.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Davis and Master Mason left Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends at their old home in Collin county, Texas.

Anyone desiring to buy a nice watch or any other kind of jewelry for the holidays will do well to call at the Central Drug Store. Also have a stock of holiday goods on display.

The Ladies Home Mission Society of the Methodist Church will sell round trip tickets around the world during the holidays, will stop over privileges and refreshments at all prominent places.

Mrs. R. W. Barnett of Flagstaff, Arizona, en route home from a visit to her parents in Hight's store over in Miami last Saturday and Sunday to visit her brother here, Attorney W. R. Ewing.

Rev. Wilkins of the Christian church, will preach at the Presbyterian church in Miami Christmas eve day, or the 4th Sunday. Rev. Wilkins will preach in Miami on the 4th Sunday in each month until the people of his denomination here secure a regular pastor.

Capable persons who have seen the play "Masonry a la Lease," say it has special merit. The play besides being instructive also has a humorous side to it, pleasing alike the gay and sedate. Come out Friday night Dec. 29.

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Mr. Bailey, son of T. A. Bailey of Wheeler county, was in Miami Wednesday, en route home from a trip to Pampa. While in the city Mr. Bailey made this office a pleasant and substantial call, showing his subscription up to the fall of 1906.

Rev. J. Samuel H. Cone was elected Chaplain of the Grand Lodge Royal Arch Masons. This recognition of the Miami Chapter Royal Arch on the part of the Grand Lodge is indeed a nice compliment, not only to the local lodge, but to Rev. Cone himself. Instances are rare where a man of the early age of 27 has been elected to an office in the Grand Lodge.

The weather has been ideal, invigorating and the tiny shoppers is in evidence and Miami never looked prettier than it does this week. There is lots more good natured people than ever. Possibly the good crops and accordingly prosperous times gives a reason, but the merchants will tell you that this season is making all kinds of new records and already it is certain that the pack that Santa carries this year will be bigger than ever before. While the trade has been heavy right through the autumn, it was not until this week that the regular Christmas rush started, and it is pleasant to stand by and watch the merry passing throng with their countenances aglow as it were with the spirit of Bethlehem. Oh! how happy may their hearts throughout the holiday season beat one great and gladsome Christmas carol.

There will be an entertainment given in the Miami Opera House on the night of the 26th of December, under the direction of the Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church. The program will consist of music, under the direction of Prof. Cranker, also the new and celebrated play, Parson Poor's Donation Party. This play is humorous and attractive and never fails to please an audience.

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Program for Entertainment
To be given at the Opera House in Miami on the Night of December 26th, 1905.

Quartette
A Boy's Thoughts Jimmie Kivlehen.
Solo Mulett Gist.
Hellen and Her Dollies Hellen Baird.
Solo Mrs. Rainey.
Recitation Lucile Ewing.
Entertaining Her Big Sister's Beau Florence Hendricks.

Parson Poor's Donation Party.
SCENE I.—A Room in Mrs. Duzenberry's House. Meeting of Sewing Circle.
SCENE II.—Home of Parson Poor. A Donation Party.

CAST OF CHARACTERS—

Parson Poor R. W. Ewing.
Jack, a son of Parson Poor Sammie Carter.
Deacon Plunkett (a Skinflint) Dan Kivlehen.
Lucy Poor, a daughter of Parson Poor Elizabeth Johnston.
Mrs. Martha Duzenberry Lucile Carter.
Lezah Ann Tubbs Mrs. Dan Kivlehen.
Mrs. Deacon Plunkett Edna Davis.
Mrs. Sarah Jane Bebe Dora Weekesser.
Widow Sharp Mrs. Baird.
Madam Bradford Mrs. Ewing.
Mrs. Poor Mrs. Gist.
Miss Style Gerlie Hickman.
Brother Bragg Pased Davis.
Children of the Waigermire Family.—Grace Heare, Joe Tolbert, Charlie Heare, Anna Humphries; Clayton Heare.
Black Nancy, a Negro that can make mighty good corn dodger.

Song Good Night.
Weddings, Two.
H. E. McMahan and Miss Myrtle Phipkins drove up to Rev. B. F. Jackson's yard gate late Sunday afternoon and sitting in the buggy were married. This young couple is well known to all our readers. Mr. McMahan living here several years and has many friends, while the bride, a very pretty, practical and sensible young woman—possessing the many attributes that go to make up a dutiful, lovable and loving wife, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Phipkins of this county. Mr. and Mrs. McMahan left Tuesday to spend the winter with the groom's mother at Blanco, Arkansas, and next spring expect to go to Oregon to make their home. May they ever be happy.

Linen Wedding.
Richly dressed people, the elite of our city, to a number exceeding four scores, gathered at one of the most elegantly appointed homes in Miami at the noon hour Wednesday and were participants in the grandest social function given in this city for many moons. Mrs. W. S. Martin has long been reputed to be an apt hand in preparing culinary delicacies and this event fully substantiated the right to such a reputation. The guests have great praise for the rich and bountifulness of the repast. Mention is also made of the attractive table decoration. The guests also pronounce the gracious host and hostess ideal entertainers. Mr. and Mrs. Martin were the recipients of over a hundred handsome presents of linen fabric, such as table cloths, napkins, towels, table scarfs, center pieces, etc. We wish for this happy couple another epoch of three-quarter score years as full of happiness and blessings as has been the first fifteen years of their wedded life; and then another, and another.

"Masonry a la Lease"
An Entertaining and Laughter Farce.
To be given at the Opera House in Miami on Friday Night, December 29th, 1905.

CAST OF CHARACTERS—

Most illustrious High Mogul..... Mrs. J. E. Kinney.
Grand High Pull Hauler..... Mrs. Judge Carter.
Sister Royal Panjandrum..... Mrs. Dr. Gunn.
Sister High-Muck-a-Muck..... Mrs. Josie Glat.
Sister Hobbie-De-Hoy..... Miss Tennie Polanski.
Sister Gibb's Gobble..... Mrs. Dan Kivlehen.
Sister Lined Draper..... Miss Gerlie Hickman.
Sister A. F. & A. M..... Mrs. H. E. Baird.
Grand Inner Guard of the Temple Key-Hole..... Miss Lucile Carter.
Grand Outer-Guard of the Temple Key-Hole..... Miss Lucile Carter.
Sister Mary Yelling Screech..... Mrs. Luld Ewing.
Two Candidates..... Mrs. T. J. Boney and Mrs. Laura Rainey.

Refreshments Served Free after the Play.

ADMISSION, 25 cents. Tickets on Sale at the Central Drug Store and the Johnson Mercantile Co.