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## Merry Christmas to All!

Christmas is, essentially, a feast of good cheer. People should be in a good humor, and do what they can to impart that underlying spirit to all with whom they come in contact. It is the living exponent of charity in its fullest and best sense since through the gift of Him, whose birth-day the Christian world commemorates, the greatest blessings have come. Let us all for His dear sake who loved us all love one another. Well may we be merry on this feast for all that we are or hope to be spring from Him who is the very centre and source of our life, temporal as well as spiritual. Make the children happy. Make the home bright and attractive, and let father and mother heartily partake of childish glee and merriment. Thus, may the sweet, dear, and everlasting impressions of earthly homes influence us in our constant preparations for the "home beyond" where joy unbounded shall forever reign, and where God shall wipe away all tears. Upon such occasions we cannot forget our dear little ones transplanted to the Father's home above, and we may start the tear, yet that tear will but contribute so much the more towards causing us to use all diligence in making our calling and election sure. A happy Christmas to you!

## "What Must I Give My Best Girl?"

Doubtless, many of our young men are asking themselves the question which is the heading to this article. It is very likely that many of them will solve the question in the next few hours, selecting some "gift" to present to their lady friend as an outward sign of abiding affection within the heart.

They say it is a blissful thing to love and be loved, and a distressing experience to the heart which is compelled to express its grief in the lamentation, "No one to love no one to care." The Great Father of Love said in the beginning that it was not good for man to be alone, and so he gave him woman, and this world without the presence of woman would be one dreary habitation. But it is to be feared that many of our young men, who, at this season of the year are bestowing their tokens of esteem, do not fully realize the full significance of what is involved in the constant attention they are wont to give some of the fair sex. It is a great crime for any man to draw forth a woman's love and affection when he does not really mean to respond to such in the only way possible in keeping with the nature of that love given to him. Love begets love and love attracts love in return. "Gifts" are vain and crushing if they do not carry with them that which the human soul values most of all. The old saying may be true that "It is better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all," but there are many poor women, who have loved well but unwisely, who refuse to find comfort and solace therein. The best gift is self and when that is given all goes with it.

Young men should never trifle with a woman's affections. If they do not mean business they should quit, and that at once. Why burn out so much coal and consume time of some fair maiden if the whole business is to wind up in a joke? Then again, many a woman might have found some one to love and be loved, if some fellow who meant absolutely nothing had not gotten in the way

to keep others off. Let the young men as they sit around the Christmas fires, with everything joyous and bright, and look into the eyes of their supposed friend, tell the truth, the whole truth, and lie not. It's best for you, and best for her. Don't deceive her, don't fool her, but, if you will, give her the fullness of love, a brave and manly heart. Such a Christmas present would cause her to smile almost with perpetual delight. And, anticipating the blissfulness of consequent joy on the part of both we feign would at this point ring the curtain down.

## The Eleventh Commandment.

Col. Higginson in his most admirable article in the Boston Globe, has a word to say which we heartily commend to the consideration of our antiquated Rip Van Winkle contemporary of this city. He says:

"If every Southern newspaper which sometimes speaks disrespectfully of the virtue of colored women were burned out a line of smoke would arise from Maryland to New Orleans. If every Southern white man who has lynched a colored girl, the world would ring with the outrages."

The Bourbon proclivities of our neighbor are so stubbornly inwrought that we have little hope for its reformation. It is so dyed in the wool that it persistently refuses to employ the prefix "Mr." "Mrs." or "Miss" before the names of colored persons of known character and standing in the community, while, seemingly, it is never happier than when it has the pleasure of portraying the Negro in the darkest and most unhappy colors.

It is to be seriously regretted that such a most excellent journal from a literary standpoint, deems it its duty, to Southern sentiment of forty years ago, to use its influence and prestige to dishearten and crush out all attempts upon the part of the Negro to invalidate the eleventh commandment, "Thou shalt not be a gentleman."

## President McKinley.

It ever a President of the United States were honest and sincere in his disposition to do the right thing by his colored fellow-citizens—that person is the present Executive, William McKinley. Instead of one word of criticism or censure for him, on this Feast of Good-will rather would we express to him the sincere and heartfelt gratitude of the millions of his colored fellow-citizens who are ready to give him all praise for what he has done, rather than complain on account of what has not been done. Mr. McKinley has more interests at stake than those which peculiarly and specially concern us. He richly deserves the grateful thanks of the race, and we believe that the race has sufficient sanctified common-sense to take in the situation.

## A Noble Character.

In the death of the late Richard Mason, Esq., the City of Baltimore loses one of its finest specimens of true nobility of character, and the race one of the oldest of the pioneers in the business world. Mr. Mason was a conspicuous ornament to the advanced standing, in character and general worth, already attained by the race.

## The Commonwealth Bank.

Last Wednesday afternoon the beautiful new building which ornaments the southeast corner of Howard and Madison street, the future home of the above institution, was formally opened. It is with unusual pleasure that we chronicle the fact that among the stockholders of this bank invited to the opening and entertainment were a number of the more substantial citizens of color, and when we say that they were most kindly and cordially treated by the President and other members but very imperfectly and feintly express the warmth and good treatment shown them. This is a step in the right direction towards a better understanding on the part of the best people of both races.

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## "YOU WILL SOLVE YOUR OWN PROBLEM."

President McKinley at the Georgia Agricultural and Mechanical College.

President McKinley spent a portion of last Sunday at the above institution, near Savannah, Ga.

This is an institution for colored persons, supported by the state of Georgia. Its president is Maj. R. R. Wright, colored, who was recently appointed by President McKinley a paymaster in the volunteer army, with the rank of major, but who has resigned and returned to the school. There were no elaborate exercises connected with the visit. The pupils were gathered in the chapel. Mr. McKinley was introduced by the president of the college. He said:

"Fellow-citizens: I have been profoundly impressed with this scene, and I have been deeply touched with the eloquent words and the exalted sentiments which have been uttered by the gentleman whom you delegated to speak in your behalf. It gives me peculiar pleasure to meet you, and meet you in this institution of learning, presided over by one whom I have known for more than twenty years, and whom I have come to admire and respect as one of the splendid leaders of your race. I congratulate him and all associated with him in the good work done here for the exaltation of your race. I congratulate all of you on the splendid advance made by you in the last third of a century. You are all entitled to all praise and to high commendation, which I am sure you receive from your white fellow citizens in this and every part of the country. I congratulate you upon your acquirement of property. Many of your race have large properties on the tax lists in the several states, and in that way contribute proportionately to the support of the government. I congratulate you on what you have done in learning and the acquirement of useful knowledge; on the fact that there is not a foot of ground beneath the flag of Stars and Stripes where every boy and girl, white or black, cannot have an education to fit them for the battle of life. Keep on in the word I would leave with you today. Keep on in the efforts upward, but remember that in acquiring knowledge there is one thing as important as that, and that is character. Nothing in the whole wide world is worth so much, will last so long and serve its possessor so well as good character. It is something that no one can take from you, that no one can give to you. You must acquire it for yourself.

"There is another thing. Do not forget the home. The home is the foundation of good individual life and of good government. Cultivate good homes, make them pure and sweet, elevate them, and other good things will follow. I congratulate you that this institution is not only looking after the head, but after the hand. I congratulate you that it is not only making good orators, but good mechanics. It is better to be a skilled mechanic than a poor orator or an indifferent preacher. [Great applause.] In a word, each of you must want to be best in whatever you undertake. Nothing in the world commands more respect than skill and industry. Every avenue is open to it.

"I congratulate you upon the splendid valor of your race. My friend, the President has made an allusion in his speech to what I many years ago said in a public address. I told of a white colonel who had delivered the flag of our country to his black color sergeant, and said to him: 'Sergeant, I place in your hands this sacred flag. Fight for it; yes, die for it; but never surrender it to the hands of an enemy. That black soldier, with love of country and pride in his heart, answered: 'I will bring the flag back in honor, Colonel, or report to God the reason why.' In one battle in carrying that flag of freedom, he was stricken down. He fell with the folds of that flag wrapped about him, bathed in his blood. He did not bring it back, but God knew the reason why. He did all he could, all any man could. He gave his heart's blood for that flag. At San Juan Hill and at El Caney—but General Wheeler is here. I know he can tell you better than I can of the splendid heroism of the black regiments which fought side by side with the white troops on that heroic field.

Mr. Lincoln was not far from right when, speaking of the black man, he said: 'The time will come

when they will help to keep the jewel of liberty in the hands of the human race, and in a third of a century since you have helped to give liberty in Cuba to an oppressed people.

"I leave with you this one word: 'Keep on.'"

"You will solve your own problem. Be patient. Be progressive. Be honest. Be God-fearing, and you will win, for no effort fails that has a stout, honest, earnest heart behind it."

## Brief Items.

Nearly all of the colored public schools held appropriate exercises in closing for the Christmas holidays.

The first of the Christmas services at St. James Church, will take place Saturday evening, Christmas eve, at 11.30 p. m. There will be the usual choral eucharist.

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**Axious to Learn.**  
The Clippersons have ways lived away beyond their means. I wonder if we could get them to show us how?

## PERIODS OF PAIN.

Menstruation, the balance wheel of woman's life, is also the bane of existence to many because it means a time of great suffering.

While no woman is entirely free from menstrual pain, it does not seem to have been a plan at women otherwise healthy could suffer severely.

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## RACE GLEANINGS.

### GIVE THE NEGRO HIS DUE.

The New York Evening Dispatch Pays a Glowing Tribute to His Merits. The following tribute has been paid to the Negro in the New York Evening Dispatch:

"In the equation of America the Negro is a quantity of emphasis and note. But his modesty and his timid lack of self-assertion has won him but mere recognition. The history of Santiago has shown him decisive in the hot press of war; a glance backward will display him leaving an equal impress on the cooler pages of peace. In the St. Louis convention every fourteenth man was a Negro. The Negro delegates made the platform for gold. The Negro convention elimination would have let silver succeed. The Negro at St. Louis gave to the dominant in the party nation both its candidate and its principles. In November the Negro elected the one and upheld the other."

"Take the black man out of politics during the last three years and you would take McKinley from the White House, Head from the Speakership, Dingley from the ways and means, Bryan and free silver would have gone to victory save for the Negro; while gold, protection and McKinley would have been beaten to the earth. Even Hanna holds his present Senate seat by one vote, and that the vote of a Negro from Cayuga county. And what has the Negro to show for it all? Certainly not the offices. At least, then, don't grudge to the gallant Ninth Cavalry the glory of its work at Santiago."

### Advice to Negroes.

Prof. J. W. Hoffman, manager of the State Colored College, South Carolina, is doing much to encourage the farmers of his race to improve their methods. At a recent address before the negro farmers of Beaufort, S. C., he emphasized the necessity of intensive farming and thorough handing and cultivation. He said: "Reduce the acreage and give diversification to your crops, raise all your products for home consumption, live economically, buy only the things you really need, save your little cash, stop renting and buy your own land, if it is only ten acres. It is only in this way that you can become a thorough American citizen." Eighty-five per cent of southern negroes live in rural districts and mostly engage in farming; therefore they need wise leaders.—Southern Farm Magazine.

### Rivals Uncle Tom's Cabin.

Last winter Bruce-Grit, a Negro, of Albany, N. Y., wrote a play entitled "Our Old Kentucky Home," and the press of the leading towns in New Jersey were at a rival to "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Neither play is popular in the South. Miss Henrietta V. Davis and her company tried Bruce-Grit's play in Fredericksburg, Va., and when they came to the fifth act the whites in the audience became indignant and threatened to mob the colored company which made tracks instantly for the North where they from this advertisement given them are now playing six nights in the week in towns in New Jersey to crowded and paying houses. They are too wise to come South again with that play.—Star of Zion.

### Fastest Cyclist in the World.

Marshall Taylor, colored, better known as "Major," is the fastest cyclist in the world. This was proven at the Woodside Park track in Philadelphia in October and November. He is a young chap, slim built, and wearing his chest down until it touches his lower handle bars, riding faster than any wheelman has ever ridden before, he speeds with vengeance like a cyclone, smashing the world's record by making a mile in 1:31.4.5. He believes he can outrun the fastest engine. White and colored wheelmen all over the country are sending him congratulatory telegrams. Give the Negro an equal chance and he will get there.—Star of Zion.

### Must Master His Own Situation.

The negro must master his own situation in the battle of life. He should not sit still and hold his hands and wait for the white man to lead him to the watering place and then take the dipper and place the water to his lips. The negro can accomplish something in the commercial and business world by being industrious and saving and taking advantage of his opportunities as they present themselves, as was done by Elijah when he was fed by the ravens. Organize for your own common good and that of your race, be cleanish—there is the secret of success.—K. C. Observer.

### There is no race standing around whining about race discrimination.

Get out of your coat and go to work. Strive to get into something where you will be independent.

### A New Negro Poet.

A new Negro poet of considerable talent has been discovered. His name is James D. Corrothers, and just at present he is pastor of the African Methodist Zion church in Bath, Steubenville, N. Y. Unlike Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Mr. Corrothers writes humorous verses. His muse is a jolly one. He writes in the Negro dialect, handling that difficult medium of metrical expression with a most happy facility.

### Male Meat and Mangoes.

A Cuban sugar planter, now convalescing in New York city after the island campaign says: "I lived three months on mangoes. We had not a morsel of meat, but once in a while a few fishes were caught in the streams. These, however, were not very good eating. Mangoes are quite nutritious, but we all became very thin. There were no bananas to be had. It was not the season for guavas. After awhile we got some mule meat, which tastes like pork, except that it is sweet. A fat young mule or horse is fine eating. I would as soon have it as beef. Of course, the spavined, diseased old car horse is no better than a tough bull that has been starved."—New York Press.

## THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS



SO long ago as nearly three-quarters of a century the verses beginning,

"'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse,"

first saw the light of print, appearing in the Troy Sentinel of December 23, 1823. As published then it was anonymous, but it was prophetic of its coming popularity that even in that day, unfavorable as it was for newspaper illustration, it was accompanied by a picture of Santa Claus on his rounds. In the time intervening it has become known to practically every man, woman and child in America, has spread hence to the widest limits of the English-speaking race, has been translated into the language of every nation that has a Santa Claus, and is little, if any, short of being the most popular poem in the world. For years it was an annual feature of all American newspapers. Then, in 1844, it was acknowledged by its learned author, being included in a little volume of his poems published in New York. Thence its inclusion in school readers and all kinds of declamation books was only a matter of a short time. In 1859 the edition that first attained wide distribution was issued, with the pleasant illustrations made by Felix O. O. Darley, which was remembered gratefully by any number of persons now crawling reluctantly into middle life.

It will be a surprise to many to learn that "The Night Before Christmas" was written by the erudite doctor of laws who prepared the first Hebrew dictionary ever published in America. He was Clement C. Moore, a descendant of a famous family in the history of the Episcopal Church, and himself one of its most notable benefactors.

Clement Clarke Moore was born on July 15, 1781, in New York City, and died at his summer home in Newport on July 10, 1863. The poem which has given him greater fame than all his learning and benefactions was written as a pastime and given his children as a Christmas present just seventy-five years ago. He thought little of it at the time, or later. Indeed, it is possible it would never have become known to the world at all had not the eldest daughter of the Rev. David Butler, D. D., rector of St. Paul's in Troy, N. Y., seen the lines during a visit to New York the year after they were composed, and published them in the paper mentioned without their author's consent. It is said that nothing but the speedy popularity the verses attained procured Miss Butler's forgiveness.

Good Deeds For the Day.

Don't shut your door to pity the poor. Give the children a bushel of happiness and they'll share it with you. Raise the preacher's salary—but not so high that he can't reach it. Make the Christmas tree a green spot in memory.

Don't lose sight of the fact that you were a boy yourself in the early years of the century.

Don't let the tin horn blast your happiness. Christmas will soon blow over.

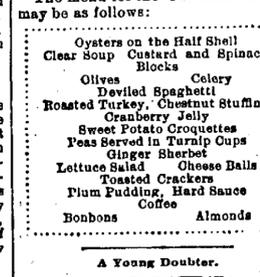
Make somebody happy, even if you have to settle an old bill to do it.

### Arranging the Christmas Menu.

The menu for the Christmas dinner may be as follows:

- Oysters on the Half Shell
- Clear Soup
- Custard and Spinach
- Blocks
- Olives
- Deviled Spaghetti
- Roasted Turkey, Chestnut Stuffing
- Cranberry Jelly
- Peas served in Turkey Cups
- Ginger Sherbet
- Lettuce Salad
- Cheese Balls
- Toasted Crackers
- Plum Pudding, Hard Sauce
- Bonbons
- Coffee
- Almonds

### A Young Doubter.



Father—"Why, Tom, what are you doing on the roof this time of night?" Tom—"Well, I've got my doubts about that Santa Claus story, and I came here to watch the chimneys and find out if there is such a person."

## Bismarck's Grievances.

It appears that Bismarck died with more than one great grievance. Perhaps the greatest was that he did not demand 10,000,000,000 francs indemnity from France instead of 5,000,000,000. One who knew him says: "He thought 5,000,000,000 francs would bleed poor France to death, and when they were so promptly paid he metaphorically kicked himself all over Europe. He felt that he had been outwitted, and the feeling made him exceedingly sensitive on the subject."—New York Press.

### Casualties of the War.

The war department has prepared a statement of casualties in the army during the war with Spain, and since the cessation of hostilities. Between May 1 and September 30, inclusive, there were 280 officers and men killed in battle, 65 died of wounds and 2,565 died of disease. The mortality was 2,910 out of a total force of 274,717, or a little more than 1 per cent. The navy department reports that 17 sailors killed and 67 wounded constitute the total loss in the navy.

### The Joys of Childhood.

Johnny and Tommy, who are the noisiest children in Yorkville, were playing. "Let's play on this dooreste," suggested Tommy. "No," Jimmy said, "there isn't any fun in doing that. That's an empty house. Let's go down the street and play. I know where there's a newspaper man's house. He works all night and sleeps in the daytime." And the pair of cherubs started off to the spot where the maker of thoughts for seventy million ladies and gentlemen was trying to replenish his empty tank by the balmy sleep process.

### Violence Unexpected.

"Penelope's new fall suit is a perfect wreck." "Did she get caught in a rain?" "No; she went to a millinery opening, and it turned into a bargain rush."—Detroit Free Press.

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A man's manners are the mirror in which he shows his portrait.

Learning is either good or bad according to him that has it—an excellent weapon, if well used; otherwise, like a sharp razor in the hands of a child.

Life is no idle dream, but a solemn reality based on and encompassed by eternity. Find out your work, and stand to it; the night cometh when no man can work.

All brave men are brave in initiative, but the courage which enables them to succeed where others dare not even attempt is never so potent as when it leads to entire self-forgetfulness.

Not unremembered is the hour when first friends met. Friends, but friends on earth, and therefore dear, sought out, and sought almost as oft in vain, yet, always sought, so native to the heart; so much desired and coveted by all.

Human happiness has no perfect security but freedom, freedom none but virtue, virtue none but knowledge has any vigor of immortal hope except in the principles of the Christian faith and in the sanctions of the Christian religion.

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Tactful Hosts of Hosts Who Are Weary of Guests.

An Ohio host, wearied out of all endurance by the persistency of his guest, chose as his medium the family prayer after breakfast, and said: "O Lord, bless our visiting brother, who will leave us on the 10 o'clock train this morning." I prefer the subtler and more reverent method of another Ohioan, the father of William Dean Howells, the novelist. His practice was, when a visitor had worn out his welcome, to be called away on business and to say to his guest: "I suppose you will not be here when I return, so I will wish you good-by." Excellent and highly appreciated by the boys was the formula used by Dr. Vaughn, when, as headmaster of Harvard school, he had to entertain the highest form in the school in batches at breakfast. Commiserating the bashfulness of the lads who did not know how to leave and yet wanted to do so, the doctor would say—apropos of nothing: "Must you go? Can't you stay?" This was the signal for departure. I admire very heartily the transposition of a blundering narrator, who, in telling this story, gave the formula as "Can't you go? Must you stay?" A fellow feeling makes one wondrous kind in this revised version.

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