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The Christmas Message.

The Christmas message to the world, above all others the sweetest, and among all the most important and most practical, is the message of peace; not only of that peace between man and his God, of which the theologian speaks, but peace between man and man, peace among the nations.

He, whose birthday is celebrated at Christmas, is preeminently Prince of Peace, and it is a wondrously significant fact of history that the angels' song of "Peace on earth" perfectly described the condition of the world at the time of His coming. Then over all the earth was peace. The gates of the temple of Janus, at Rome, were closed, there being as the Empire supposed no need of the presence of their god to lead their conquering armies in victorious battle.

"No roar of battle sound
Was heard the world around,
The idle spear and shield were high uphung,
The hooked chariot stood
Unstained with hostile blood,
The trumpet spake not to the armed throng,
And kings sat still, with aweful eye,
As if they surely knew
Their sovran Lord was by;
And peaceful was the night
Wherein the Prince of Light
His reign of peace upon the earth began.

As then, so at this Christmastide, there is peace among the nations. Nowhere in all the earth are nations as nations engaged in warfare. In the year 1900, Minister Wu, of China, made an address in New York, on Confucianism, in which he declared that the principles of peace enunciated by the Founder of the Christian religion are visionary and impossible of attainment. Those, to whom that old, old Christmas story is not a myth, but the grandest event in the world's history, do not believe that these principles are "impossible of attainment." Once war and conquest was the highest ambition of the nations. Now, wherever men have heard the Christmas message, war is no longer the ruling passion. Where men have felt the power of the Prince of Peace, there is no longer war for war's sake. Today, a state of war is the exception and not the rule. Men think of armies and the horrors of war with dread. Louder and louder grows the demand for peaceful arbitration of all disputes. Even the Central American Republics will celebrate this Christmas the agreement for the establishment of a tribunal for the settlement of differences, that heretofore could be determined only by the arbitrament of war.

Another sign of the age is seen in this fact, that once the whole record of nations in days of old was made up [illegible] deeds of blood. Then the [illegible] for the vanquished. [illegible] death. Now, [illegible] ended

350 miners perished; on December 16th, at Zolande, Ala., 61; and in the present disaster, probably 250.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Christmas in the Churches.

ST. PAUL'S REFORMED CHURCH.

Christmas will be observed by St. Paul's Reformed Church of this city by the usual service at half past six o'clock in the morning. The worship will be according to the early Christmas service arranged by Dr. Harbaugh, which has been used by this congregation for more than a quarter of a century. The order of the musical service will be as follows:

"Adeste Fideles," Portogallo.
"Gloria," Mozart.
"Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning." Mason.
Hallelujah Chorus, (from the Messiah) Handel.
Chants.
Magnificat.
Benedictus.
Annunciato Angeli,
Nunc Dimittis.

The worship of the children will be at half past six o'clock in the evening.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

In Grace Lutheran Church, all the services of next Sunday, 22nd inst., will be in harmony with the Christmas spirit: "Christmas Music, Christmas Greetings, Christmas Sermons;" general subject, "The King of Glory Comes to Save."

At the morning service Rev. P. H. Miller, D. D., pastor, will preach on the subject, "The King's Messengers," and at the evening service his theme will be "The King Comes to the Lowliest." At both services special music will be rendered by the choir. The chief anthem of the morning will be "Behold I Bring you Good Tidings;" and of the evening, "Hosanna to the Son of David."

The Sunday School Christmas service will be held on Christmas Day, at 7.30 P. M., when the beautiful cantata, "Columbia's Christmas Givers" will be rendered.

CENTENARY M. E. CHURCH.

Christmas week will be a season of exceptional interest in Centenary M. E. Church. The themes of the sermons of Rev. H. M. Rider, pastor, on Sunday, will be "The Child of Promise," in the morning and "The Spirit and Meaning of Christmas," at night. At the morning service, the choir will sing "Glory to God in the Highest" and "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and at the evening service, "Behold I Bring You Good Tidings" and "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

The regular midweek service falls on Christmas night, and will be in harmony with the sprit of the day.

On Friday evening, December 27th, at 7.30 o'clock, the Sunday School will render the cantata, "The Shadow of Santa Claus." A Christmas tree will be loaded with a treat for the members of the school. A silver offering will be received at the door.

On Tuesday evening, December 31st, the Junior Epworth League will give a cantata entitled "The Perplexities of Santa Claus" which will include a "Drill of the Christmas Bells." in which 18 young ladies will participate.

METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH.

At the Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. D. L. Greenfield, D. D. pastor, all the services next Sunday, the music in Sunday School and Church, the pastor's sermons, and the Christian Endeavor meeting, will center round the Christmas theme. The order of services will be as follows:

9.30 A. M. Sunday School. ',The Visit of the Magi."
10.30 A. M. Sermon: "The Christmas Outlook."
4. P. M. Sermon: "The Man's Hand under the Seraph Wing."
7. P. M. Christian Endeavor Service, "The Magnificat."

ASCENSION EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

At the Ascension Protestant Episcopal Church, Rev. Dr. Frank M. Gibson, [illegible] Christmas Day services will [illegible] 7.30 and 7.30 A. M. [illegible] Communion

Union Bridge Items.

Professor Simpson, of Westminster, visited our public school on Tuesday last.

On Wednesday morning our people arose to find "all-out-doors" covered with snow. Every branch of every tree was loaded with winter's purity—"beautiful snow."

Mr. A. Frank Payne, with his family, will remove to Kenton, Ohio, the first of the year. Mr. Payne goes to Ohio to take charge of the passenger car department of the Toledo and Ohio Central Railroad.

Twenty-six men were put to work in the freight-car department of the W. M. R. R. shops, at Union Bridge, on last Tuesday.

Mrs. Isaac Tozer is ill with pneumonia at her home on South Main street. The last report informs us that she is on the way toward recovery.

Marie Isabel, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Lee Erb, died of diphtheria on last Saturday night, and was buried at Uniontown on Sunday. The parents of little Marie were not aware of the fact that she had diphtheria until a short time prior to her death. Her death, therefore, came to them with a great shock. Prof. Erb is the principal of our public school, and in consequence of the death of his child, the senior department of the school is closed. Other cases of diphtheria have been reported in our town recently.

Mrs. William Gilbert died in Union Bridge on last Friday and was buried at Mountain View Cemetery on Monday afternoon. Funeral services were held in the M. P. Church, Rev. Edgar T. Reed officiating. She is survived by her husband and a babe four months old. She was taken ill in Baltimore, on Monday of last week and her husband brought her to his mother's home in Union Bridge, where she lingered until Friday, when she peacefully "fell on sleep."

Mr. William Wood is confined to his home with a diseased heel. He has been trying the X-rays for several days as a remedy.

Christmas services will be held in the M. E. Church on next Sunday morning, and on next Sunday evening, at 7.30 o'clock, a Christmas entertainment will be given by the Sunday School.

The Middleburg Sunday School will hold its Christmas entertainment on Thursday evening, Dec. 26, at 7.30 o'clock.

Last Week's Storm.

The great storm, which originated in the Mississippi Valley last Friday, within twelve hours became general in the eastern States and far out at sea. Much damage was done to shipping and there were a number of wrecks, among them that of the seven masted schooner Thomas Lawson, that went down with all her crew, only one man out of eighteen having been saved. In this county there was a heavy snowfall Friday night, covering the ground to a depth of about three inches. Toward morning the snow turned to sleet and rain, coating everything it touched was a thick covering of ice. Trees were literally bowed to the earth by the heavy burden of the ice, and many smaller limbs were broken off. The old willow at the entrance to the Winchester Place, so familiar to the people of Westminster, tottered and fell, under the pressure of the years and of the storm. The hands of the town clock became ice bound and locked its works, so that its voice was silent during the day. Fortunately the temperature moderated about 11 o'clock, Saturday morning, and the ice melted rapidly, otherwise much damage must have resulted. Even as it was, the telephone lines suffered severely and in some parts of the county were put out of commission until a late hour on Sunday. A large force of linemen was needed to put the line in order on the Washington road. A representative of the SENTINEL drove over this road at an early hour Sunday morning and saw where many persons had been compelled to leave the road and drive into the fields to avoid the tangled wires and overhanging poles. At one point he counted nine consecutive poles leaning over the road at an angle of forty-five degrees. The companies are to be congratulated on the rapidity with which repairs were made, so that their lines were in working order before the business week commenced.

New Windsor Items.

George W. Rippeon, who during the Civil War was a member of Cole's Cavalry, under Col. G. W. F. Vernon, of Baltimore, and who formerly resided at Libertytown, Frederick county, died yesterday at his home, at Frederick, of heart disease, aged 61 years. He leaves a widow, six sons and four daughters. His remains were brought here on Thursday and taken to Sam's Creek for burial.

New Windsor College closed this, Friday, evening and will open Jan. 6th, 1908.

The Presbyterian Sunday School held its [illegible] entertainment on Thursday [illegible] Sunday School will hold [illegible] ment on Christmas [illegible]

A little child of Mr. E. Lee Erb, between three and four years old, died with diphtheria at its home in Union Bridge and was taken to Uniontown for burial on Sunday.

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BADLY MIXED UP.

Abraham Brown, of Winterton, N. Y., had a very remarkable experience; he says: "Doctors got badly mixed up over me; one said heart disease; two called it kidney trouble; the fourth, blood poison, and the fifth stomach and liver trouble; but none of them helped me; so my wife advised trying Electric Bitters, which are restoring me to perfect health. One bottle did me more good than all the five doctors prescribed." Guaranteed to cure blood poison, weakness and all stomach, liver and kidney complaints, by all druggists, 50c.

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MARRIED

At Centenary M. E. Church parsonage, this city, December 18th, 1907, by Rev. H. M. Rider, Mr. John H. Evans and Miss Lillian M. Barber, both of this city.

At Salem Lutheran Church parsonage, this city, Dec. 11th, 1907, by Rev. R. W. Doty, Mr. Herbert G. Myers and Miss Ada N. Myers, both of Frizellburg.

At Grace Lutheran Church parsonage this city, December 16th, 1907, by Rev. P. H. Miller, D. D., Mr. Dudley K. Van Pelt and Miss Ada A. King, both of Westminster.

At the residence of Dr. J. W. Hering, Dec. 18th, 1907, by Dr. Rev. D. L. Greenfield, Mr. Herbert F. Cover and Miss Bessie K. Armacost, both of this city.

At the Methodist Protestant Church parsonage, this city, Nov. 5th, 1907, by Rev. Dr. D. L. Greenfield, Mr. Carroll H. Logue and Miss Blanche E. Spencer, both of this county.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Marston, December 17th, 1907, by Elder S. E. Englar, Mr. Albert R. Boyd, of Harrisburg, Pa., and Miss Donia Green Frizzell, of this county.

DIED.

In Baltimore, Dec. 18th, 1907, Jane, widow of Thos. D. Rote, aged 85 years.

In Frederick City, December 17th, 1907, Geo .W. Rippeon, formerly of near Dennings this county, aged 61 years, 4 months and 17 days.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

St. Paul's Reformed Church.—Sunday School 9.30 a. m. Worship 10.30 a. m., and 7.15 p. m. Lecture Wednesday night, 7.30. Catechise Saturday afternoon, 2.30.

Sermon at 10.30 a. m., to Westminster Lodge No. 141 I. O. M.

Christmas worship at 6.30 a. m. Children's worship at 6.30 p. m.

Calvin S. Slagle, D. D., Pastor.

Carroll Charge—Reformed Church.—Benjamin's.—Children's Christmas service 2 p. m. Divine service at Pleasant Valley 10 a. m.

James B. Stonesifer, Pastor.

Salem Lutheran Charge.—St. Benjamin's.—Christmas services 2 p. m.

St. John's.—Sunday School 9 a. m. Divine service 10 a. m.

Christmas services Thursday, Dec. 26, 7 p. m.

R. W. Doty, Pastor.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

LOST.

Between Mrs. Mary E. Wilson's Store and her home on Liberty street, by Miss Sadie Little, a pocket book, containing $6.60. Finder please return to the residence of her father, Mr. George G. Little, Liberty St., or to this office. dec 20 1t

STOCKHOLDER'S MEETING.

Westminster, Md, Dec., 14, 1907.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Westminster Fertilizer Company will be held at the office of the Company, on West Green street, Westminster, Md., on SATURDAY, January 4, 1908, at the hour of 1.30 P. M. The purpose of said meeting is the election of NINE DIRECTORS to serve for one year and until their successors are elected or chosen or qualified.

A. H. HUBER,
dec 20 3t Secretary and Treasurer.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.

Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of the Westminster Hardware Company that [illegible] election for DIRECTORS to manage the affairs of the Company for the ensuing year will be held at the [illegible] Company, in Westminster, on TUESDAY, JANUARY 6th, 1908, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 11 o'clock, [illegible] of any other business that may [illegible] before the meeting.

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Best Layer Raisins	13c lb.	Best Large Lemons	25c dozen.
Rayo Nickel Lamps	$1.45.	Best Cleaned Currants	10c.
$2.00 5 lb. Boxes Candy	$1.50.	$1.50 5 pound Boxes Candy	$1.00.
Best New Orleans Syrup	15c qt.	Large Oranges	15c, 20c and 25c doz.
15c Mince Meat	11c lb.	Best Red Sugar	13c lb.
Baker's Best Chocolate	20c cake.	Best English Walnuts	15c lb.
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