

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

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DEAR MR. EDITOR: Again I sent myself to write you a few lines and hope this will find its way into the proof room as it appears my last article did not. How-so-ever I suppose the type setter "stuck it up" as it was written and I have no one to blame but "my lonely." I used to be a tip-top speller till I was called on to spell blood-pig, I spelt it as I thought was right, but when I had finished, my tutor asked why I put a couple of i's in it; why he said: "How the deuce is the pig going to be blind with two good eyes," and you bet your life I take every thing in consideration now and spell accordingly.

First wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year I will proceed:

It does seem that I can't get turkey off my mind. There was Thanksgiving a few weeks ago, and a great big turkey, now Christmas is almost upon us and that means more turkey and an other gizzard for mamma's yonkey.

How time does fly. It seems but yesterday that I sat at my mother's knees and listened to her tell of the coming of Santa Claus or read Christmas stories. Some were very sad and I'd oftentimes feel a big tear running down my cheeks and my throat felt like a frog was in it. Christmas with all its joys and much gayety has its sorrows and great disappointments, and I'm thankful to say I'm still living and haven't been near death's door but a dozen or more times.

Last Christmas, I spent with Polly, the blue eyed, golden haired damsel who I hope has found another "sucker" to spend his money on her this Christmas for I'm too far away to even think of being with her myself, so I will stay at home and help entertain my aunt's family, from Durham, who is expected to be with us during the holidays. I'm so glad I'll be at home too, for I think so much of them. There are only four, mother, father and two sons.—Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Howerton, Jeter and baby Cullen. What a glorious time we will have. I invite you all to come. "Mamie and everybody."

The cold frosty winds of the recent date brought with it a "hog killing time" at our house, and we will not only have turkey for Christmas but, hogs-head and turnips, a lot o' big homony, a few spare-ribs, some backbone.—I like the hogs tail roasted, don't you? Some sausage, fresh pork,—the ears and feet haven't gone any where yet either, but when they do go they'll be a goner,—crackling, chitterlings,—the liver has gone beyond recall,—and last but not least we will all join hands and sing:

"Put on 'e skillet, put on de led  
Mama's going to cook a little short-nin' bread."

Shooting matches, with a turkey in the "jack pot," seems to be all the rage around here, and I am quite sure some body is going to have turkey Christmas, for every time I look out the window—or most every time—I see somebody taking a turkey home—at least I know I bear a turkey sobble, I think I do any way. My mind is so everlastingly on turkey, I wish sometimes there had never been such a thing as turkey, but more oftner that I had it all time.

By the way, I went where they were selling cotton a few days ago, and when a cotton buyer went to sample a bale of cotton a little fellow, that was standing by, cried out, "cut her deep mister, she is nassy in the middle." I felt for that kid, I tell you, for when I looked into the eyes of his uncle, I saw blood, and I bet that boy won't get any turkey for his Christmas dinner.

I'm worried almost to death about what to give my best girl for a Christmas present; whether a pack of Cycle Cigarettes,—nop, she'd smoke them up in an hour, what she didn't give in another "don jack." A suit of inflated bloomers to ride her bike with,—nop, she's to fall off wind now, for nothing can't happen in forty miles of here but what she's got it all over town in less than fifteen minutes. A hand organ, as she is negotiating with a monkey, she says,—nop, she's a bigger nough crank already, without having to turn one. A toilet set,—vsp, with a great big looking glass, so she can set before it all day and primp and get in a good looking state of being, and be ready

to meet me when I call,—she kinder needs a little retouching any way.



This is my girl's "mug" and me and our Xmas turkey.

Now just a few good wishes, for the NEWS and all connected with it. I wish you all the success attainable in this life, or in the other two lives to come. I wish you would continue to send my paper and not say so much about "your subscription is due." I wish you would send the paper to aunt Malinda Johnson and uncle Bill. They live down in Texas some where, you can ask the Post Master, he knows I suppose, and to Jake Thomas. He went in Klondike a few months ago, if you send it up the Youkon valley he will get it, or if you will write to uncle Jim, he is a Missionary over in Africa, he can tell you the best way to reach Jake. Now wishing you a Merry Christmas and a great big turkey, I—I had one to send you for my subscription, but this old rooster which will reach you in a few days, will be all right I hope.

Yours till death shall make us two.  
"LIT. BUNCH."

### Things Worth Knowing

Gov. Evans, of South Carolina, was married last week to Miss Emily Mansfield Plume, of Waterbury, Conn.

Theodore Durrant, the murderer of Blanche Lamont will be hanged Jan. 7, 1898. This is the fourth sentence.

Three men were killed and two women fatally injured at a party in Jeffersonville, Ga., last week. Whiskey was the cause of the trouble.

An elaborate programme has been prepared by the managers of the Newberne fair for the races etc., which will be held in February, 1898. They are endeavoring to make this fair the best and most interesting of any yet held.

A pretty little white baby girl, apparently not more than 2 or 3 months old, was left at the home of L. A. Wade, in North Winston, last week, by an unknown party. The little one was found in the hall by Mrs. Wade, who heard it crying. It was wrapped in a blanket. Mr. and Mrs. Wade have no children, and it is their purpose to adopt and rear the little one, although they have no idea as to who its parents are.

### The Vance Monument.

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina will meet on Wednesday, December 22nd, for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of the monument, which will be erected in Asheville to the memory of the late Senator Z. B. Vance. Some time since, the Vance Monumental Association invited the Masons to take charge of the cornerstone exercises and the time for laying the cornerstone was left to the Grand Master and the contractor. Grand Master Walter E. Moore, who is now here, attending court, has since his arrival designated next Wednesday as the day for the ceremony.

### New England Cotton Mills.

A general reduction in wages of cotton mill employees in New England has been virtually decided on. Lawrence, Lowell, Manchester, Lewiston and lesser centres of the cotton manufacturing industry, have felt strongly the Southern competition, and a crisis has been reached. At a meeting today at Young's Hotel of Arkwright Club, the members, who are agents of the principal mills, considered the report of committee of experts, which for over a month have been touring Southern States.

Experts declare the mills will only be profitably run by reducing wages to a point nearer those paid in the South, which are now about forty per cent less than in New England.

The committee reports that the Southern mills are now the rivals of the North in the finer grades, as well as in the coarser ones. The Southern mill machinery equals that of the North.

In conclusion, the committee recommended an immediate application to the New England Legislatures for a repeal of the laws limiting the hours of labor in cotton factories to 58 hours per week.

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## Statement.

In accordance with Section 713 of the first volume of the Code, I hereby make the following Statement of money audited by the Board of Commissioners for themselves from Dec. 1st, 1896, to date to wit:

J. P. Harper, chairman, 15 days at \$2.00,	\$30.00
To 210 miles at 5 cts.	10.50
S. H. Moore, to 16 days at \$2,	32.00
To 128 miles at 5 cts.	5.40
W. B. Isler, to 16 days at \$2,	32.00
To 448 miles at 5 cts.	22.40
Lewis Bryant, to 11 days at \$2,	22.00
To 330 miles at 5 cts.	16.50
J. H. Bell, to 7 days at \$2,	14.00
To 108 miles at 5 cts.	8.40
Total,	\$193.20

No unverified accounts allowed.

I, W. H. COX, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct statement.

This Nov. 23d, 1897.  
W. H. COX, Reg. Deeds.

## Administrators Notice.

The undersigned having this day qualified before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Jones County as the administrator of Rachel E. Simmons, deceased, hereby notices all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to present them fully authenticated before the 10th day of November, A. D., 1898, or this notice will be deemed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate of said deceased will please make immediate payment.

This 1st day of Nov. A. D., 1897.  
A. D. WARD, Admr.,  
Rachel E. Simmons, doc'd,  
New Bern, N. C.

## Administratrix Notice.

HAVING qualified as Administratrix of Lafayette Dillahunt, Sr., deceased, late of Jones county, N. C., notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against the estate of said deceased to present them, duly proven, to the undersigned administratrix, on or before the 24th day of November, 1898, or this notice will be deemed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment.

This 24th day of November, 1896.  
SALLIE DILLAHUNT,  
P. M. PEARSELL, Administratrix,  
Attorney.

T. A. Green, President.  
E. H. Meadows, Vice President.  
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## SAM LIPMAN.

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