## PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL TOWARD MEN.

# THE TWICE-A-WEEK DISPATCH

A PROGRESSIVE

PUBLICAN NEWSPAPER DEVOTED TO THE UPBUILDING OF AMERICAN HOMES AND AMERICAN INDUSTRIES.

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Reindeer Palace, Kris Kringle County, North Pole. December 21st, 12:30, 1914

The Twice-A-Week Dispatch, Burlington, N. C.

My Dear Friends:-

I am in receipt of the many letters you have forwarded me from the many nice boys and girls that have written me letters through your paper and I am soing to do my best to bring them all something. Some of them are asking for so much, and as money matters have been a little close with me this year, I may not be able to bring them all they are asking for, and then, too, some of them have not been very good, so I am told, and of course I cannot load myself down with toys for bad boys and girls. I am having all the little Santas at my command to look up the record of those who have written me through your paper and when I get the record made up, I will decide just what I will bring each one, there are some among your writers who promised their parents last lear that if they would tell me to come to see them they would be good for a whole year, but they have forgotten their promise and have been bad. Now, don't you think I ought to forget them and not bring them anything? No. I cannot do that, although they have been bad, yet I will remember them. The Lord is merciful, and as He is my Creator, I must be merciful also. But the bad never get as much in this life or the one to come as the good, and it will ever be thus, therefore I will not bring the bad boy or girl as much as I will the good boy and girl, so if some of you do not get as much as some others, you will know the reason why, but I know you will be better the next year. so I am going to do my very best for you this year.

I will start from my palace promptly at midnight on Chirstmas Eve, and I am going to travel in a flying machine this time, the weather has been so bad and the roads are so bad I cannot make time with my reindeer wagon this time.

Now, let all my little friends go to bed and to sleep early Christmas Eve night and if the chimney is too small for me to enter, just leave one of the doors unlocked, and be careful that you do not watch. I skip all houses where the little ones are watching.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas, with Love and Best Wishes, I beg to remain

SANTA CLAUS.

P. S.—Do not have a big fire that night, I might get scorched, or your goodies might get spoiled.

I want you to bring me a wagon and a baseball bat and a ball and a mit and breastplate and a mask and some oranges and apples.

GLENN CHRISTOPHER.

Barlington, N. C., Dec. 18, 1914. Dear Santa Claus:--

I want you to bring me some candy and a drinking cup and some apples and oranges. I want some raisins. I want a toy wagon and a little violin.

Yours truly. CHARLIE CHRISTOPHER.

-0--WANTS A TOOTH BRUSH.

Dear Santa Claus:-

clothes in it for her. Bring me a and nuts. toothbrush and some fruit, candy and Dear Santa Claus, I have a little but papa calls me his little Tom Boy. I am.

I am a little girl six years old and name is Lueze. She wants you to bring

Burlington, N. C., Dec. 18, 1914. go to the Burlington Graded Schools. her a little doll and a doll carriage Your little friend, JUANITA AMICK.

Dear Santa Claus:-

Violet Coble said bring her a rocking chair and a wagon and some oranges, apples and candy, and a baby doll and wants some soap.

VIOLET COBLE.

--0--PLEADS FOR ALL.

Saxapahaw, N. C., Dec. 188, 1914. Dear Santa Claus:-I am a little girl eight years old. branges, candy and nuts.

brother. He is five years old. His me. I know two little speeches I will Will you please bring me a doll name is Floyd. He wants you to bring say to you. with dark curly hair and eye lashes, him an automatic pistol and some brown eyes and a little trunk with cars and some apples, oranges, candy

sister. She is two years old. Her I live on R. F. D. No. 1.

and a little bed and some candy, oranges and nuts.

Good Santa Clause, if you think Burlington, N. C., Dec. 18, 1914. this is to much for us, just send us what you think we ought to have. Goodbye, From

> LANEY PETTY. FLOYD PETTY, LUEZE PETTY.

A SMART LITTLE GIRL. Burlington, N. C., Dec. 18, 1914.

I am a little girl nearly three year

My name is Laney Petty. I want you old. Mama says I'm mighty smart, to bring me a doll and some apples, says she don't see how she could do without me. I will be good to you, Burlington, N. C., Dec. 18, 1914. Dear Santa Claus, I have a little Old Santa, if you will come to see

> think I ought to have, please bring. My name is Mary Letitia Shoffner,

MARY LETITIA SHOFFNER.

laiming Christian civilization?

What is the "Christ Day"?

For unto you is born this day in the good time. City of David, a Savior, which is Christ, the Lord."

ed shepherds, susceptible of truth, unto Bethlehem and see this thing a voice sweet, soft and low. which is come to pass, which the Lord

My sinner friend, let me lay this talk out loud and say what you think. matter before you, for your consideration. (v. 11) "For unto you is born this day in the City of David, a Savior, which is Christ, the Lord." Won't you? Pray for your own salvation from sin as I am praying daily for you? That you may sing with me your great Redeemer's praise. (v. 14) earth Peace, Good Will toward men." My sinner friend in the Church and out, God has given you great powers and capacities for good. Please let me beg of you, don't drink whiskey and thereby fit yourself for all manner of Hell.

of December, 1914.

For the Christ Child, the Incarnate man activities as a poor little innocent

Figuratively speaking, in one hand and in the other Life- The two essential elements of the God head-(Life and Light.)

In view of all of this, please let our people everywhere reverently spend this, as a holy day. Not in riotousness, gluttonry and drunkenness, but sending portions to bless others. The poor who have no comthese blessed words, (St. John 25-34) it is the spirit that counts. "Come. Ye blessed of My Father, inme dring: I was a stranger and ye alive in your gizzard all the year.

Blessed Day. It is coming. Awake your horns, and shut down your shell, their difficulties, and go back to that my sinner friend, let us be ready, for like a turtle, until the Lord, or some-Now, Old Santa, any thing you we know not the day nor the hour body else, lays a live coal on your when we die.

With love to all and malice to none,

Very truly, W. C. THURSTON.

### DECEMBER THE 25TH. CHRISTMAS GREETINGS. Jack Perfectly Contented

What does it mean to America? Hurrah for Christmas! Hurrah for Jack Sellars Is Enjoying a Peaceful And, indeed, to every civilized country. Oid Santa! May his pack he filled with Life at the County Home Near joy and good cheer, with never n weep or a sigh.

peace and good will to men, from least one of the inmates is happy. shore to shore and from pole to pole. This inmate is no other than Jack Sel-It is the day nearly 2,000 years ago, to last until he comes again. And lars, Jack is doubtless one of the way back in the dim past. In an age may he take with him all unkind best known characters that ever walkof moral chaos. In a desperately thoughts, words and deeds. May he ed the streets of Durham. He is and wicked age. In an age when God was bind all hard feelings between neigh- has been for years demented, although not considered, known, or worshipped bors, and old friends, all grudges, and usually harmless. About one year by any nation, not even His chosen all jealousies, hatred and malice, envy ago ne was found lying behind a buildpeople of Israel. It was then that strife, evil speaking, one of another, ing ill from the cold weather. He was the poor shepherds on the lonely Ju- into one big bundle, and may his swift then taken to the county home where dean hills, keeping watch over their footed, fast running rein-deers flee he has since remained. He roams flock, their hearts open to truth. That with it even unto the uttermost parts around on the big farm, free from (St. Luke 2:9) "The Angel of the Lord of the earth, and may it all be buried the tortures inflicted upon him by the

behold, I bring you good tidings of up the sunshine lying all around us, while he lived in the city. great joy, which shall be to all people. and let's have one record breaking

These were startling events and men who sit at the head of the table, visitors that he is happy. revelations. But these honest heart- and ask a blessing when company comes, you are the "Rubes" we are just a little happier than the usual said, (v. 15) "Let'us now go even after, and that we are calling with run of life and that is a package of

hath made known unto us." And they you, to go and stand before the look- visit to Capt. Tom Mangum's county came with haste and found Mary, ing glass and take one long look at Joseph and the Babe lying in a man- what you see there. Be honest with yourself. Look into your own soul,

Tell that reflection in the glass, that if he was once made in the miage of his Creater, he has changed most wonderfully, and fearfully, and that it is up to him now, to beat back to his first estate. Tell him he has been mean, measly, oncry, and no good, but that is all in the past, and will not "Glory to God in the Highest and or if he will only wash his hands, his he charged up to him, or against him face and his feet, and keep clean hereafter, soul and body, forever and ever.

We like to see people enjoy themselves. We like fun and frolic, and of the grosser sins, the outgrowth of have lots of it. And while it's 'lean a heart steeped in sin and a brain and above reproach, we have the conderanged by mean whiskey the broth stitution at our back, for it grants unto all people the right to seek happi-Don't thus debase this blessed 25th ness in their own way, but when a Son of God, the Only Savier of the think the Constitution is being strain- letters to Santa. Now, we would

For God incarnated Himself in human We would like to see one Christmas thousand have written and it would flesh and appeared on the stage of huhandiwork, don't have any happy an- the letters to Dear Old Santa, who he brought to us, humanity (steeped ticipations before Christmas, or any will do the rest. in sin and all unrighteousness) Light joyful memories after, but a few of them survive, whether it is a survival of the fittest, or bad marksmanship, we do not knew.

But we do think Christmas without so much "licker" and gun powder, would be an improvement.

Don't spend so much money for animunition, either wet or dry, and see that your wife and babies, both big we may at God's Judgment Bar hear er mind whether it is useful or not.

The tender thought, the Christ-For I was an hungered and ye gave Jerusalem or home. And then see

took me in: Naked and ye clothed Don't give a few presents at Christme: I was sick and ye visited me: I mas just simply because you are good cheer, and show to them that was in prison and ye come unto me, ashamed not to, and then draw in you want to help them surmount all back, to start you off again.

> Be up and doing all ye men of the Old North State, and remember that May Christmas joy and Christmas by sharing your happiness with an-

. Durham.

Durham, Dec. 21.-Recent visitors Christmas Day is the "Christ Day." May he leave behind him enough to the county home report that at came upon them and the glory of the in the deepest depths of the blue sea, small boys and men in the city. Also Lord shone round about them"- The Chrismas only comes once a year, free from strong drink and other angel said unto them, "Fear not, for and so let's all begin now, to gather harmful surroundings that were his

> Jack is getting along in years and s willing to remain the remainder You old horny handed lords of cre- of his life at the county home. He ation, you husbands and fathers, ye doesn't want to leave and states to

There is one thing that makes him cheroots. Acquaintances of the old We want you, every mother's son of fellow that happen, to be paying a farm will please him immesely if they will carry with them a puckage of smokes for Jack.

> (Everybody here remembers Jack as a jolly good fellow.-Ed.)

## NO DECISIVĚ GAIN BY EITHER SIDE

Battles Now Being Fought Amid Deep Snow in Bitter Cold,-Contradictory Reports-Germans in Poland Are Making Fierce Attack Toward Capital and Russians Are Opposing Them With an Army Fifty Miles Long; Serious Fighting in Armenia. Germans Steadily Invading Poland. -Turkinsh Army Said to Be Well Supplied With Munitions of War.

WRONG IMPRESSION.

Some people seem to think that The certain set can't be happy without Dispatch is going to act Santa Claus white lightning, and gun powder, we to all the children who have written world of humanity (Jew and Gentile) ed, and in danger of being snapped. he giad to do so, but more than a and squirrels were respected. These We are just acting the part of a good poor little creatures of the good Lord's fellow by sending the paper containing

> Lenoir county estimates that is saved \$3,000 the past year by having county officers on a salary.

> the poor are fed, clothes are warmed, and on that day see that the sick are visited, ministered unto, cheered and comforted.

Many a home in the good Old North forts of life to cheer them. That and little, have nice presents. Nev- State has been bereft of some loved me since last Christmas, father's seat is vacant, never to be filled any more. Mother's smiling face is gone. Many herit the Kingdom prepared for you feeling of love, peace and good will a dear boy or girl has gone over, and from the foundation of the World: to all mankind, either beginning at across the great divide, and all around you there are bleeding hearts that me meat: I was thirsty and ye gave to it that you keep that good spirit crave your sympathy. Search out all and show to them that you sympathize with them. Speak to them words of same glass, and behold that same reflection, and see if there has not been a transformation wrought.

other, you are doubling it. See that Be with you all the glad new year.