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Christmas Greetings: Richmond Headlight Wishes all its Patrons and Friends a Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year.

## THE HEADLIGHT.

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## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

To all our readers we wish a joyous X-mas. Since we enjoyed these festive holidays one year ago, possibly all of us have had some unpleasant experiences. Some have met with financial reverses, some with disappointments in contemplated arrangements, some in love matters and perhaps others mourn the departure of loved ones. God, who knows how to temper the wintry blasts to the shorn lambs, 'can all our sorrows heal.'

These reflections lead to another, which is, how will it be with us from now until the next Christmas? Could we remove the veil which hides from our view the experiences we are to have during another year, we might fail to enjoy real blessings. Perhaps it is well that our future is unknown to us and that we go through life over hoping that "all is well."

On this glad anniversary of that glorious epoch when the herald angel sang, a saviour born, and proclaimed "peace on earth and good will to men," let us resolve to live better lives than heretofore, that when we sing "joy to the world the Lord is come," our hearts may respond, "Crown him Lord of all."

### MURRAY FOR SCHLEY!

Last week we said hurrah for Schley—we say so again, for notwithstanding he has been censured by a partisan court, his hands are clean and his conscience clear; and he will live in the hearts of his countrymen as a pure man, a brave man, and a great naval commander. Had he failed to capture or destroy the Spanish fleet he would have been criticized, if not cashiered and ostracized. Therefore let him have all the credit due, and again we say, hurrah for Schley!

Now let Sampson disgorge and hand over to Schley the prize money he received for empty honors—or at least divide.

### H. C. DOCKERY—U. S. MARSHAL.

We notice that Senator Pritchard has recommended the reappointment of our townsman, H. C. Dockery, as U. S. Marshal. We know of no better Republicans than Mr. Dockery, and so far as we know, his official administration has been clean and satisfactory, and it is eminently proper that he should be his own successor.

### Killed by Accident

Red Springs, N. C. Dec. 21.—By the accidental discharge of his gun, A. I. Britt, who was guarding convicts on the farm of Col. A. T. McCallum, was killed.

## CANDIDATE IN EVERY Co.

Mr. A. J. Maxwell, of Rockingham, Talks Politics in His Section

We clip the following from the News and Observer, of the 22nd, instant. We had heard that Mr. Morrison would be a candidate for congress, and again, that he would not,—that he would and would not, and had been watching the columns of the Anglo-Saxon for "light,"—but in vain—not a word has it said. However, we get it from Raleigh first. "One candidate to the county" is a moderate estimate. Won't there be two? It looks that way in some counties

"The people of our section have not been taking much interest this year in next year's politics," said Mr. A. J. Maxwell, of Rockingham, who was in the city yesterday.

"Yes, a Congressional candidate from each county seems to be the rule in the new Seventh district and Richmond will not depart from it. Mr. Morrison will be a candidate for the honor when the fight opens up. It promises to be a very good natured contest, as about all the candidates are personal friends of each other. In addition to his conspicuous party service. Mr. Morrison has the advantage of being a strong advocate and antagonist on the stump. Our congressional candidates ought to make a canvas next summer that will re-awaken interest in national politics in the State and to the application of Democratic principles to the great national questions of the hour. We will have no State ticket, except judges, and of course these will not go upon the stump, and for the past six years our people have baredly thought of national politics. We have been more interested in the color of the magistrates for Goose Neck township than in the governmental opinions of the Chief Magistrate of the nation or of our Congressmen. The matters are now settled, and while they were being settled the Republicans were trying to convince the people that a Republican administration of the national government was as necessary to good times as a Republican lawyer is to get a moonshiner out of a scrape. Mr. Morrison would make a valuable addition to our delegation of bright young men in congress."

### Gibson's Mills.

J. M. Lovin and son returned last week from a visit to his mother near Lanrinburg.

Misses Pattie Manning and Annie McNeill visited at J. T. McLeod's last week.

Miss Alice Gibson visited Misses Ida and Monnie Terry last week.

W. L. Gibson and sister have returned from Conclave, where they went to attend the marriage of their brother, Floyd Gibson, to Miss Bettie Mason, which took place on the 18th. Mr. Gibson and wife accompanied by the bride's sister and Messrs. David Manahip and Mack Gibson returned to the groom's parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gibson, who gave a reception which was enjoyed by all.

Miss Monnie Terry and her three brothers have returned from Elerbe where they have been attending school.

Rev. Mr. Guyton preached an excellent sermon at Green Lake Sunday. We are glad to say he will be our pastor for another year.

Much access to the Richmond Headlight.

### Farm For Rent.

Wanted to rent an excellent 10 home farm at Powelson, for year 1902. Good terms will be given to party furnishing his own stock. Apply to W. O. Kearns, Powelson, N. C. Or to W. F. Brockshire, Raleigh, N. C. (Farm will be divided if desired.)

The Headlight and Home and Farm one year and a buggy ticket, for \$1.25

## The Local Happenings.

Miss Stella Baldwin is visiting friends at Gastonia.

Miss Allen, of Raleigh, is visiting Miss Nellie Smith.

Capt. W. R. and Mrs. Crossland were in town Thursday evening.

The Great Falls factory pond has been frozen over all the week.

Mrs. A. M. McAnley is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Page, at Bishop.

Call on Tom Lee if you want your clothing well laundered.—See his ad.

Eddie Lyon is spending the holidays with his family at Gibson Station.

Joe Gibson, of Gibson Mills, was shaking hands around here last Friday.

Rev. W. J. Fulford conducted services at the Baptist church last Sunday night.

Stansill Covington is home from Oak Ridge Institute for the holiday season.

W. O. Kearns advertises a "Farm for Rent" See his ad in another column.

The county paid for board and lodging of the jurors in the Ingram case, \$236.25.

There was a light fall of snow on Wednesday night, the ground being nearly covered.

Lindo Brigman and Charlie Russell, of the University, are home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hobbs and children are on a visit to Mr. Hobbs' mother, at Mt. Olive.

Rev. P. R. Law conducted services at the Presbyterian church last Sunday morning and night.

Tom Parsons, of the University, and Hill Parsons, of the Horner school, are home for the holidays.

We are glad to learn that General Toon, State Superintendent of Education, is improving slowly.

Miss Minnie Stansill returned from Greensboro Female College on Wednesday for a short vacation.

A. T. White left with us a specimen lump of the red kaolin, of which there are large quantities in his section.

We had a pleasant call on Saturday from our young friend Rev. M. D. Austin, the popular teacher at Silver Run.

Miss Daisy Baldwin is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. Stansill, Mrs. W. T. Covington and brother, H. D. Baldwin.

The Headlight learns with great pleasure that Maj. J. D. Shaw, who has been quite sick is now much improved.

Tracy Worley, who has been at Spartanburg for several months is with his friends for X-mas festivities, or longer.

Misses Cole, Mary McRoa and Rachel Covington are home from the Woman's college of Richmond, Va., for the holidays.

Mrs. Dr. Moore and Misses Hattie and Myrtle came in Saturday night to spend the holidays with Mrs. Will Stoels and Mrs. Len Everett.

On Friday we had pleasant calls from several of our subscribers, among them W. H. Roberts, Wolf Pit, W. O. Kearns, Powelson, W. C. Usery, Exway.

The Headlight received 18 new subscriptions last week, receiving for each \$1.00 in advance. Besides this, several of our patrons gave us substantial help towards our power press, by paying their accounts. Thanks, yes special thanks, friends.

Senator Simmons has introduced a bill in the U. S. Senate providing for a donation of \$25,000.00 for the Roanoke Island Celebration. Simmons is a good worker.

Messrs. W. T. Hamer, of Wolf Pit, W. A. Graham, of Capel's Mills and D. M. McNair, of Roberdel, were pleasant callers last Friday, each leaving a doelair toast Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Johnson, Miss Mattie and Robt. Jr. expect to leave to-day for a visit to relatives in Marion, S. C., taking in the Charleston Exposition before their return.

E. E. Ingram, son of Jas. A. Ingram, who has been at school at Morven, called on us last Friday, on his way home to spend the holidays. He too, left a pleasant reminder.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Dr. Peter John, one of Scotland's best young men and Miss Nannie Watkins, of Charlotte county, Va. The Headlight tenders advanced congratulations.

Mrs. Dr. Tom Cole, a daughter of Mr. T. E. Diggs, died at her home at Mt. Olive on Sunday and her remains were to be interred to-day at St. Paul's church. We tender our heart-felt sympathy to the bereaved.

We noticed a number of our farmer friends in town on Thursday, among them Messrs. Webb, Key, Capel and Thomas from Black Jack, E. M. Boggan, J. S. Boggan and Rev. J. H. Austin, from Wolf Pit.

The Headlight gives 52 issues in the year. We don't ask our patrons to pay for our holidays. Since our connection with journalism, we have never taken X-mas holidays but once, and then it was because our foreman went for a wife.

Rev. W. H. Moore, D. D. Dr. Moore, P. E., of Durham District, who has two married daughters residing here and who was a resident here as P. E. of the Rockingham District, has been a visitor in the town for a week past. On Sunday morning, he preached a most excellent sermon. The Dr. made many friends in Rockingham, and they were greatly pleased with his sermon alluded to.

Chancellor Johnson Dead. Chancellor Wm. D. Johnson died at his home in Marion Monday night. He was in his 84th year, having been born in North Carolina Sept. 9th, 1818. After graduating from Davidson College he came to Bennettsville to practice law. He was a delegate from Marlboro to the secession convention in 1860, and was afterward state senator from Marlboro. The legislature elected him chancellor, which position he filled till the office was abolished in 1869. About the time he moved to Marion and formed a law partnership with J. M. Johnson, the present solicitor. His declining health caused Chancellor Johnson to withdraw from this firm only a year ago.

Besides being an able and eminent lawyer, Chancellor Johnson was an extensive farmer and stock raiser. Only last spring he sold his Brushy Bay and Donoho plantations and retired from business.—Bennettsville Advocate.

This editor has known Chancellor Johnson personally for forty years and during all these years, has esteemed him as a pure man a patriot, a philanthropist, a christian. What more can we say of any man?—if more, let the same be accorded to Mr. Johnson.

The thermometer registered four degrees below zero at Asheville, N. C. last Saturday.

## Music.

Music is charming. It has power to soften and to melt, it will tyrannize over the soul, and will force it to bow down and worship. It will wring adoration from it, and compel the heart to yield its treasures of love. Music will inspire both the old and the wicked. The human voice is the most perfect musical instrument ever made; and well it might be, for it had the most skillful maker. The voice should be cultivated to sing the tones of love to man and God. How sweet does it make the worship of God to have the reverent emotions poured out in song! How rarely should children be taught to sing; for what is sweeter than the songs of innocent children? Music makes the heart courageous and the soul cheerfully devout. The first account of music was at the laying of the foundation of the earth, when the "morning stars, delighted with the promise of a new planet, sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy." Every song soothes and uplifts. It is possible that at times a song is as good as a prayer. Music is healthful. There is no better cure for a bad humor and no medicine more pleasant to take. One of the greatest attractions for old and young, when visiting our cities, is the music that may be heard. The hymn sung by a mother to her little boy may in after days, be a voice that will recall him from ruin. Many a mother sings her little ones to sleep. No family can afford to do without music. It makes home attractive and will keep out angry feelings.

Beasie Covington.

The above is the production of a pupil of Sneed's Academy. Such communications are appreciated.

## Died

At Converse, S. C., Dec. 10th, inst. S. V. Usery, son of Rev. Welcome and A. E. Usery, of Rockingham. His age was 85 years. He professed faith in Christ immediately after taking sick, and said he was willing to die. He left a devoted wife, father, mother, brother, sisters and a host of relatives and friends who mourn his loss.

Mrs. Margaret McCaskill.

This most excellent christian lady breathed her life quietly away on the 20th of November, and her gentle spirit was borne by angels to the spirit land. Everybody loved "Grandma" or "Aunt Margaret" as some called her. Her kind and loving words and sweet christian example will be remembered and loved for years to come. Like a shock of ripe grain, she has been gathered into the heavenly garner, and now safe from the cares of life and the pains of age and sickness, she basks in the eternal sunshine of God's presence, where she awaits a happy re-union with the loved ones left behind.

## A Most Commendable Act

We received a letter Saturday, enclosing a check for \$4.00, with a request that we send the Headlight one year to the Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, the Baptist Orphanage, Jamestown, the Presbyterian Orphanage, Barium Springs, and the writer. The gentleman was one of the State's noblest public servants. He will not allow us to use his name. Who will do likewise?

## Seaboard Air Line Christmas Rates.

Special low rates between all stations. Tickets on Sale December 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31, and January 1st. Final limit January 3rd, 1902.

STUDENTS will be allowed to purchase tickets Dec. 16 to 22, 1901, final limit January 8, 1902.

R. E. L. Bunch, G. P. A.

## Children's Department.

ROCKINGHAM. Dear Headlight—As I have seen so many nice letters from the cousins, I will write one too. I am a girl of fifteen summers, fair complexion, blue eyes, light hair, five feet two inches high. I am going to school now. My teacher's name is Miss Hattie Davis. She is a good teacher. My studies are modern English grammar, geography, spelling, writing, reading and Colow and Ellwood's advanced arithmetic and physiology. I am learning fast. Cousins, what are you going to do for Xmas. Miss Hattie is going to give one week holiday. She is anticipating a merry Christmas. She is going home Friday eve. Well, I will close my letter by asking a few questions. Which is the highest mountain on the globe? From what city do we get our fashions? Why is the Dead Sea so called? How many times is dead flies mentioned in the Bible, what chapter and verse? What State is it that is round at each end and high in the middle? If I see this in print perhaps I'll write again. Let's hear from some of the larger girls and boys. I will close with best wishes and a merry Christmas to all.

Your cousin, Eliza Haywood.

ROCKINGHAM. Dear Headlight—I will come into the children's column for the first time. I am a little girl 11 years old. My school closed the 13th. I have no pets except my little brother and sister. My uncle from East Durham, N. C., is going to spend Christmas with us. I will answer Curly Luck's and Sam Sharp's questions, and also Black Eyes' The shortest chapter in the Bible is 117 Psalms. Christ was crucified on Friday. The shortest verse in the Bible is verse 35, 11 chapter St. John. I will close by asking a question—In which chapter in the Bible did Christ say there were 12 hours in a day. Best wishes to the Headlight. Your little friend, Eliza M. Smith.

ROBERDEL. Dear Headlight.—As I have never written before, I thought I would join the children's column. I am a little girl seven years old and I am going to school. My papa takes the paper and I enjoy reading the children's column very much. I will close for this time and if this is printed I will come again. With best wishes to the Headlight, I am

"My wife was so ill that good physicians were unable to help her," writes M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind. "but was completely cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills." They work wonders in stomach and liver troubles. Cure constipation, sick headache, 25c at all Druggists.

Saved at Grave's Brink. "I know I would long ago have been in my grave," writes Mrs. S. H. Newson, of Decatur, Ala., "if it had not been for Electric Bitters. For three years I suffered untold agony from the worst forms of indigestion, waterbrash, stomach and bowel dyspepsia. But this excellent medicine did me a world of good. Since using it I can eat heartily and have gained 35 pounds." For indigestion, loss of appetite, stomach liver and kidney troubles Electric Bitters are a positive, guaranteed cure. Only 50 cents at all druggists.

A Million Voices. Could hardly express the thanks of Homer Hall, of West Point, Iowa. Listen why: A severe cold had settled on his lungs, causing a most obstinate cough. Several physicians said he had consumption, but could not help him, when all thought he was doomed he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption and writes—"It completely cured me and saved my life. I now weigh 227 lbs." It's positively guaranteed for coughs, colds, and lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at all druggists.

Reliable and Gentle. "A pill's a pill," says the saw. But there are pills and pills. You want a pill which is certain, thorough and gentle. Mustn't gripe. DeWitt's Little Early Risers fill the bill. Purely vegetable. Do not force, but assist the bowels to act. Strengthens and invigorates. Small and easy to take. Richmond Drug Company.

ROCKINGHAM. Dear Headlight—your little friend. Janie LeGrand.

ROCKINGHAM. Dear Headlight—I am a little boy nine years old and I am going to school. My teacher's name is Mr. Sandford. I take the Headlight because I like to read the children's column very much. I like to go to school. Our teacher has stopped a week for Christmas, and I reckon I had better stop for fear of the waste basket. Zebulon Gibson.

ELMORE. Dear Headlight.—I come in your happy band for the first time. I am a little girl 18 years old. I go to Sunday school every Sunday and my superintendent is Mr. W. H. Morrison and my teacher, Mr. L. P. Gibson. I like them very much. I have no pets except one little sister. My aunt takes your paper and Jennie and myself never stop till we read the children's letters over and over, so I thought somebody would like to read my letter. The death angel has made a vacant seat in our Sunday school by taking one of its faithful members, Mr. Luther Platt. Well I must not tell you everything I know this time, I might want to write again. I will close hoping to see my letter in print. M. B. T.

LEDBETTERS. Dear Editor—Since you have been so kind to give the little girls and boys space in your valuable paper, and as I was reading the nice letters I thought I would write one too. I go to school now and my teacher's name is Mr. Farnan Reynolds. I like him for a teacher very much. I study geography, arithmetic, fifth reader and spelling and try to get my lessons perfect. I am a little girl, 10 years old, and have a nice time playing at recess. I read a letter in the Headlight that my school mate, Cora Lee Sullivan, wrote. We are going to have a Christmas tree here and a week for holiday. Pearlne Turner.

ELBERE. Dear Mr. Editor—I will write a few lines to day. Our school has closed till after Christmas. I want to answer Colon Wallace's question: Pure religion undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affection and to keep unspotted from the world. I wish you all a merry Christmas. Your friend, Brown Eyes.

While suffering from a bad case of piles, I consulted a physician who advised me to try a box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve," says G. F. Carter, Atlanta, Ga. "I procured a box and was entirely cured. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is a splendid cure for piles, giving relief instantly, and I heartily recommend it to all sufferers." Surgery is unnecessary to cure piles. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will cure any case. Cuts, burns, bruises and all other wounds are also quickly cured by it. Beware of counterfeits. Richmond Drug Co.

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