



A Merry Christmas to all and may the New Year be a happy and prosperous one. Let us help to make it prosperous by selling you good goods . that satisfy at the right price. You will find our stock complete at all times.

We thank you for your liberal patronage during the past year and ask for a continuance of same on the basis of fair, square, good merchandise at the right prices. We don't cater to cheap shoddy merchandise.

"The Store with Service and Quality."

Watauga Supply Co.

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November 7, 1921. R DEdmisten sheep killed by dogs 600; s R Brown keeping county home 156 00; A w smith juvenile court 55 50: Dr. Jones county physician and qua rantine officer 26 50; Dr. R L Bingham vaccinating for fever 70 20; Mrs. N C Green keeping jail 143 90; B J Hodges lumber and making coffin 700; J E Young taxes bid in for county 163 74; Frank Robbins Jr. sweeping court house 4 00, Bert Farthing, day juror spring term 1921, 6 10; Edna Greer half fees, 1 60:

Respectfully submitted, E. M. HARMON, Register of Deeds for Watauga County.

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THE GIFT I CHOOSE. IVE me the hearthstone with the flow that warms the soul within: 1 choose the gift of kindly miles, that wealth can never laugh that ripples to the lips from hearts where peace subin the fullness of content the Christmas time

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And then, we will not forget those children who are near us, whose lives may not be as crowded with comforts. We cannot have the best relish for our Christmas dinner unless we claim the promise, "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

Who is your neighbor? Thatquestion was put to us by the Christ. For years some good people have been neighborly to the children of Armenia, people of that country separated only a short distance from Bethlehem. With the coming of war, the condition of these Christian people, surrounded by persecutors, has been Intolerable. The United States Government employed warshipe to carry them relief before and after we entered the war. The present year has brought little to them and winter finds them in want.

Reliable Americans just returned from Armenia, tell of pitiable conditions. As the statements of their sore need now have become known, good men and women in every state are planning to send them Christmas gifts. North Carolina has already given help. Let us all increase our help to them so that we may gladden their hearts this Christmas. I am writing you, knowing your tender pity for those under privation and persecution.

You can feed one of these orphans for five dollars (\$5.00) a month. Please send to Robert A. Brown, 901 Citizens National Bank Building, Rateigh, N. C., such con-tributions as your heart prompts. Sincerely.yours,

(Signed) JOSEPHUS DANIELS.

It is hoped that the coming year will be the last one required to care for the 550,000 refugees who are being fed at the Near East Relief soup kitchens in Armenia and Syria every day. The Turks were just driven out of Armenia last August but during their occupation they have looted and destroyed homes and made fields unproductive. Heads of homes were in most cases murdered, mothers of families outraged and then carried off to Turblet

land, the ringers nve their ser ices tree, nor would they accept any special payment. The peal was rung as a matter of course, and was the natural expression of English joyousness. The merry music of the bells in Great Britain and wherever churches have peals of bells, is today as much a feature of Christmas as the decoration of church and home with evergreens, or the provision-of the good cheer which always marks this festive season.

What an outcry there would be if an edict were issued forbidding the ringing of the bells during the coming festive season! Yet this was actually done during the Commonwealth, for in 1652 the wise men of parliament gave orders that "no observation shall be had of the five-and-twentleth day of December, commonly called Christmas day."

It is quite certain that this edict was disregarded in many places, while in others it led to open rioting. At Canterbury the mayor of the city tried to enforce the new rule, but the people were not going to be deprived of their pleasures so easily, so they took the law into their own hands, broke the mayor's windows-and some of his bones as well-and affirmed their intention of keeping their Christmas in their own fashion, just as their fathers

homes, and children turned out in the streets to perish. . One hundred f.nd ten thousand of them have been taken into the 229 orphanages now being maintained by the Near East Relief in the Bible lands from money donated by generous hearted Americans. There are as many more children out side the gates dying while they clamor for admission which is denied them because the institutions are already. taxed almost beyond their capacity.

William Jennings Bryan and Senator Park Trammell, of Florida; Governo: Robert A. Cooper, Senator Nat Dia and Congressman A. F. Lever, of Souti Carolina; Congressman William D. Up shaw, of Georgia; Governor Westmore land Davis; Governor-elect E. Let Trinkle, and Senators Claude A. Swan son and Cartor Glass, of Virginia, are among the big-hearted men of the heart and soul for the Near East Re lief.

