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| "Clark's Fatal Plank." <br> itor of The Record: <br> I notice in a late editorial of a ading State paper under the ove heading a criticism of ank 12 of my platform. From sense of fair play which is in rent among our people will you justice to the veterañs. <br> The South has paid since the ar 1500 million dollars to pensión ederal soldiers, of which 112 orth Carolina. Of this enorous war contribution very little s.come back to the South. It |  |
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true that Lear his own fortune," an pend chiefly upon our own e forts. Therefore during the ne in every way and do better tha
we have ever before done. I striving to make ourselves happy let us do all we can to make oth ers happy, and thereby not only
contribute to the happiness of conthers but to our own. This writer is not among thos who think the world is growing worse. On the contrary we
think the world is steadily grow ing better year by year. The show that the increase in churc members far exceeds in propor-
tion the increase in population. There is not only this increase contribations. Much now given for charitable and ed ucational purposes than ever be fore. Although we now hear o
more crimes than formerly, it because more publicity is give to them, and not because there is an increase in crimes out of
proportion to the increase in pop. proportion to tha increase in pop- Certainly there is an uhation. Certainly there is an
inerease in the sources of human happiness and in the comforts
a:d conveniences of life, and people nowadays have much more to make them
they had years ago. During the coming year let us ach and all strive to profit by sad to avoid the mistakes then nade. Let us try to be mor
tolerant of the opinions of oth ers, who may differ with us on
nny subject. There is much truth in the old saying, "There are two sides to every question,'
and let no man think that he knows it all and that the othe
fellow knows nothing. Intoler
ance and ignorance too often ance and ignorance too often go
together, and too often the most
ignorant person is the most inignorant person is the most in tolerant. What a happy wo would obey the divine command
to "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you!"' 0
course we cannot expect the mil lenium just now, but if every
person would obey that command how much happier all would be crease as the years go by. Kind
reader, suppose during this new year you resolve to obey that emmand and see if such obedispent?
Again, we wish that the new
ear may be the happiest to all year may be the happiest to

our readers that they have ev | yet spent. | $\begin{array}{l}\text { bers, was given by American cit- } \\ \text { izens, rich and poor, for philan } \\ \text { itro, }\end{array}$ |
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