

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Once more the joyous Christmas-tide has come and tomorrow the civilized world will celebrate the nativity of Him at whose first coming the angelic host proclaimed the "good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." It is immaterial whether the 25th of December is the correct anniversary of the birth of Jesus Christ, for it is the day that has been generally observed for centuries past and will continue to be observed throughout all future generations notwithstanding the doubts and objections of a pitiful minority.

What would the world be without any Christmas? Had you ever thought of such a calamity? This is the one season of the year to which not only the children but grown folks look with joyful anticipations, and when man's more noble and generous qualities shine forth. Hard indeed must be that heart that is not softened and warm with the genial glow that Christmas always brings. The most miserable misanthrope must feel a glow of the warmth of human love and kindness that pervades the very atmosphere at Christmas.

And dear old Santa Claus! What would Christmas be without that jolly friend and benefactor of all good children? Who would try to shake the belief of the children in that mythical personage and his prancing reindeer? Who is too old or selfish not to envy the supreme happiness of the children as they open their well-filled stockings early on Christmas morn? What can give more pleasure than to see the children wild with delight when opening their Christmas stockings? And who then does not wish to be a child again?

A this season of universal rejoicing let those who are more fortunate than their fellows try to make them happy and thereby increase their own happiness. This is a season when the human race feels more kindly to each other, and when the heart-strings and purse-strings are loosened. As has been well said by another,

"At Christmas-tide the open hand Scatters its bounty o'er sea and land, And none are left to grieve alone, For love is heaven and claims its own."

To each and all its readers THE RECORD extends the greetings of this joyous season and wishes for them a very MERRY CHRISTMAS.

The members of the present Congress deserve to enjoy their Christmas holidays, not only because of their good work in passing the tariff and currency bills but also because they have been in continuous session since last April. They were then called in extra session and that session continued without any recess until the very hour when the regular session began on the first day of this month. No other Congress in the history of this republic had ever done such a thing.

It will be remembered that Congressmen receive a stated salary, \$7,500 a year, whether they are in session one month or all the twelve months of the year. They are not paid a per diem, so much a day, and therefore there is no pecuniary inducement for them to remain in session longer than necessary.

THE currency bill is one of the most acceptable Christmas gifts that Congress could have presented to the people of the United States. Its passage by that body and its signature by President Wilson come as a Christmas gift that should be highly appreciated.

The final enactment of this law and the new tariff law has fully redeemed the promises and pledges of the Democratic party on those two most important questions of public policy. Although much time was consumed in the consideration of those two measures, yet the final result is most gratifying and should entitle the Democratic party to the continued support of the people of this country.

THE majority by which the currency bill was passed in the Senate was much larger than had been expected, the vote being 54 to 34. All the Democrats voted for it and six Republicans and one Progressive. This vote would indicate that it is so proper a bill that even Republicans had to vote for it.

SOME of our cities will have to-night a "community" Christmas tree for the benefit of those who cannot afford to have their individual trees. To this community tree everybody will be invited and a present be given to every child in attendance. This is a most commendable and appropriate way of celebrating Christmas, and it should be more generally observed next year.

Teachers' Reading Circle. Editor of The Record: About four years ago the first Teachers' Reading Circle of Chatham county was organized. It enrolled twenty-two teachers; eleven of these received neat and attractive diplomas from the State Department of Education last week.

Those receiving those diplomas are Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Luterloh, Mrs. Mattie F. Thompson, Mrs. Mary A. Barber, Miss Mary Smith, Miss Janie T. Clegg, Miss Mary Clegg, Mr. Van E. Ellis, Mr. W. O. Farrell, Mr. A. T. Holleman and Mr. L. E. Cole.

This four years' reading course, when completed, entitles the owner to the above named diploma which is a certificate of a certain amount of professional training and exempts the holder from the regular county teachers' examination.

The condition of membership in this reading course are, that the teacher must hold a first grade certificate and must agree to read and study certain books prescribed in a pamphlet prepared by Mr. E. E. Sams, of Raleigh, supervisor of teacher training. R. P. JOHNSON. Pittsboro, Dec. 22, 1913.

Stomach Troubles Disappear. Stomach, liver and kidney troubles, weak nerves, lame back and female ills disappear when Electric Bitters are used. Thousands of women would not be without a bottle in their home. Eliza Ford, of Depew, Okla., writes: "Electric Bitters raised me from a bed of sickness and suffering and has done me a world of good. I wish every suffering woman could use this excellent remedy and find out, as I did, just how good it is. As it has helped thousands of others, it surely will do the same for you. Every bottle guaranteed, 50c and \$1. At all druggists. H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia and St. Louis, advt."

Since the sensational oil strike at Beaumont in 1901 petroleum has had first place in the mineral production of Texas, the value of the oil output in 1912 constituting more than one-third of the total mineral production of the state.

Croup and Cough Remedy. Croup is a terrible disease, it attacks children so suddenly they are very apt to choke unless given the proper remedy at once. There is nothing better in the world than Dr. King's New Discovery. Lewis Chamberlain, of Manchester, Ohio, writes about his children: "Sometimes in severe attacks we were afraid they would die, but since we proved what a certain remedy Dr. King's New Discovery is, we have no fear. We rely on it for croup, whooping cough, and all other ailments. A bottle should be in every home. At all druggists or by mail, H. E. Bucklen & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis, advt."

Capt. David Jones died last Sunday at Fayetteville. For many years he was the engineer who ran the only train on the old railroad from Fayetteville to Egypt, and was very popular with all the patrons of that road.

Hr. Hobson's Ointment Heals Itchy Eczema. The constantly itching, burning sensation and other disagreeable forms of eczema, tetter, salt rheum and skin eruptions promptly cured by Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Geo. W. Fitch, of Mendota, Ill., says: "I purchased a box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Have had eczema ever since the civil war, have been treated by many doctors, none have given the benefit that one box of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment has." We so positive it will help you we guarantee it or money refunded. At all druggists or by mail 50c. Pfeiffer Chemical Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis, advt."

Michigan holds sixth place among the states in value of its mineral production, with an output in 1912 valued at \$80,062,436, according to the United States Geological Survey, its prominence being due to its great wealth in copper and iron.

Sick Headache. Sick headache is nearly always caused by disorders of the stomach. Correct them and the period attacks of sick headache will disappear. Mrs. John Bishop, of Roseville, Ohio, writes: "About a year ago I was troubled with indigestion and sick headache that lasted for two or three days at a time. I doctored and tried a number of remedies but nothing helped me until during one of those sick spells a friend advised me to take Chamberlain's Tablets. This medicine relieved me in a short time." Sold by all dealers, advt."

North Carolina led every other state in the Union in the manufacture of tobacco during the fiscal year ending June 30 last, by more than twenty million pounds. The state which comes nearest to North Carolina was Missouri.

Sick Two Years With Indigestion. "Two years ago I was greatly benefited through using two or three bottles of Chamberlain's Tablets," writes Mr. S. A. Keller, Elida, Ohio. "Before taking them I was sick for two years with indigestion." For sale by all dealers, advt."

In the production of gold South Dakota ranks fifth among all the States, according to the United States Geological Survey.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy—The Mother's Remedy. "I give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to my children when they have colds or coughs," writes Mrs. Verne Shaffer, Vandergrift, Pa. "It always helps them and is far superior to any other cough medicine I have used. I advise anyone in need of such a medicine to give it a trial." For sale by all dealers, advt."

President Wilson is spending the holidays at Pass Christian in Mississippi, on the Gulf of Mexico, where he is resting from the strenuous labors he has been engaged in since his inauguration.

NOTICE OF SEIZURE. Notice is hereby given of the seizure of the following property for violation of the Internal Revenue laws of the United States: At near Coats, N. C., December 18th, 1913, one black mule, one one-horse wagon, one set of wagon harness of Hillary Stewart. Persons claiming the foregoing property will file their claims within thirty days as required by law, or the same will be forfeited to the use of the United States. J. W. BAILEY, Collector. Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 24, 1913.

NORTH CAROLINA, Chatham County, Mrs. J. H. Jones Under Execution vs. J. H. Jones.

The defendant will take notice that a judgment was rendered against him in favor of said plaintiff in above entitled cause on the 30th day of October, 1913, in the Superior Court of Chatham county, North Carolina, and execution having been issued on the same on the 24th day of December, 1913, to satisfy said judgment, I will proceed to sell to the highest bidder, for cash, at the court-house door in the town of Pittsboro, North Carolina, at 12 o'clock m., on

January 31st, 1914, one undivided half interest in the following described tracts or parcels of land: First tract—Beginning at a stake south seventy poles to a stake; thence east forty poles to a stake; thence north seventy poles to a stake; thence west forty poles to the beginning, containing seventeen and one half acres 17 1/2, more or less. Second tract—Beginning at a stake in lot No. 1, west thirty-five poles to a stake; thence north seventy-eight poles to a post oak; thence east thirty-five poles to a pine, No. 1 corner; thence south seventy-eight poles to the beginning, containing seventeen acres (17), more or less. Third tract—Beginning at a stake in my line, A. A. Gilbert's, running west seventy-five poles to a stake; thence north of east 70 deg. and eighty-three poles to a post oak corner; thence north forty-two poles to the beginning, containing twenty-nine acres (29), more or less. Fourth tract—Beginning at a stake, No. 3; thence north 18 deg. west forty-six poles to a stake; west one hundred and seventy-two poles (172) to a stake; thence south forty-six poles (46) to a white oak; thence east one hundred and seventy-three poles (173) to a stake to the beginning, containing forty-seven 47 acres, more or less, known as lot No. 4. Also, another lot, No. 5, known as the William Jones land, bound as follows: Beginning at a stake, A. Willett's line, south fifty-eight poles to a stake; thence east forty poles to a stake; thence north thirty-seven poles to a stake; thence east twenty-seven poles to a stake; thence north twenty-eight poles to a black oak; thence west fifty-nine poles to the beginning, containing twenty acres (20), more or less. Same being the land formerly owned by R. H. Jones, deceased, now owned by the said defendant, J. H. Jones, and one sister, they being the only heirs of the said R. H. Jones. This the 24th day of December, 1913. LEON T. LANE, Sheriff of Chatham county.

On last Saturday night burglars robbed the postoffice at Mount Gilead of \$300 in money and \$700 worth of stamps.

Mrs. McClain's Experience With Croup. "When my boy, Ray, was small he was subject to croup, and I was always alarmed at such times Chamberlain's Cough Remedy proved far better than any other for this trouble. It always relieved him quickly. I am never without it in the house for I know it is a positive cure for croup," writes Mrs. W. R. McClain, Blairsville, Pa. Sold by all dealers, advt."

Mt. Airy News: Mr. Oscar Monday shipped to this city one day last week a cow that attracted much attention for the reason that she is the mother of three heifer calves, all of which were with her.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, I. S. FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is a doctor in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said area will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of CHAMBERLAIN'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY, M. D. SWORN to before me and subscribed my presence, this 21st day of December, A. D. 1913. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. CHAMBERLAIN'S CATARRH CURE is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Read Hall's Family Bible for constipation.

RE-SALE OF LAND.—By virtue of an order of the Superior Court in the special proceedings therein pending entitled, "Wesley Thomas, administrator of Ambrose Thomas, vs. G. W. Thomas and others." I will, at the court-house door in Pittsboro, N. C., on

Saturday, January 10th, 1914, again offer for sale to the highest bidder the following described tract of land, to-wit: A tract of land in Oakland township, Chatham county, N. C., bounded on the north by the Pattishall land, on the east by the land known as the James Poe place, on the south by the lands of Oran and Joe Williams and on the west by the Nancy Lloyd land, and more particularly described as follows: On the waters of Cedar creek, beginning at a white oak, Gilmore's corner, running south his line and north, Clegg's line 164 poles to a stake, Clegg's corner, near a pond; thence west with his line crossing Cedar creek 104 poles to a white oak; thence north 164 poles to a stake in John A. Johnson's line; thence east with his line 104 poles to the first station, containing 105 acres, more or less, and being the land owned by the late Ambrose Thomas, in Oakland township, Chatham county, N. C. Terms of sale: One-half cash, balance in 6 months, deferred payment to bear interest from date of confirmation at the rate of 6 per cent per annum and title reserved until all purchase money is paid. Time of sale: 12 o'clock m. This December 24th, 1913. R. H. HAYES, Commissioner. Hayes & Bynum, Attorneys.

GREENSBORO Business College GREENSBORO, N. C. Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Touch Typewriting, Penmanship. Write for catalog. Commissioners' Expenses. In accordance with Section 1325 of the Revised Code, John W. Johnson, clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Chatham county, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct statement for the year 1913, of the accounts, items and nature of all compensations allowed by the Board to the members thereof respectively, the number of days the Board was in session and the distance travelled by each member. C. D. MOORE. 26 days as Commissioner \$ 68 00 On account of bridges 50 00 212 miles travelled 10 80 Total \$128 80 W. H. FERGUSON. 26 days as Commissioner \$ 68 01 On account of bridges 28 00 208 miles travelled 12 90 Total \$108 90 J. W. GRIFFIN. 26 days as Commissioner \$ 68 00 On account of bridges 24 00 93 miles travelled 4 65 Total \$106 65 The Board was in session 26 days. No unverified accounts were allowed. JOHN W. JOHNSON, Register of Deeds and ex-officio Clerk to the Board. This November 26th, 1913.

Monday, January 12, 1914, at 12 o'clock m., the land described therein, to-wit: Being the lands purchased by Peter Green from Orr Taylor and the other tract owned by said Peter Green prior to his death, and bounded on the north by the lands of Peter Gilmore; on the east by the lands of Nancy Marks; on the south by Will Hart and others, and on the west by Pettigrew's claim, containing twenty-eight acres more or less, being the entire lands owned by Thomas Green and wife. This 11th day of December, 1913. N. F. BARBER, Assignee of W. D. Siler, Mortgagee. Robt. H. Dixon, Attorney.

MORTGAGE LAND SALE.—By virtue of a mortgage deed executed by Win. Thomas Green and wife Sarah Green, to W. D. Siler and W. D. Siler transferred to N. F. Barber, which said mortgage deed has been duly registered in the office of register of deeds for Chatham county, N. C., in book "C.A." at page 90, the undersigned will sell for cash, to the highest bidder, at public auction at the court-house door in Pittsboro, N. C., on

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J. VAN LINDLEY NURSERY CO., Box 205, Pomona, N. C.

TIMBER FOR SALE.—By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Chatham county, in the special proceedings therein pending entitled: "Betty S. McIntyre against John C. Futrall and others." I will sell at public auction, at the court-house door in Pittsboro, N. C., at noon, on

Monday, January 5th, 1914, the pine and hardwood timber measuring ten inches in diameter at the stump twelve inches from the ground when cut upon the following land, situated in Hickory Mountain township, Chatham county, lying on Rocky river:

One tract beginning at a red oak, John B. Headen's corner, and running west 160 poles to a stake and pointers in Aaron's Dark's line, thence south with his line 32 poles to Rocky river, thence down the same 1 1/2 various courses about 240 poles to a white oak, thence leaving the river south 51 degrees east 72 poles to a stake, thence east 13 poles to a stake, thence north 63 deg east 118 poles to a wild cherry, thence a 20 deg w 22 poles to an ash on the bank of the river, thence down the same about 60 poles to a hickory, thence leaving the river south 85 degrees east 11 poles to a post oak in People's line, thence north with his line 151 poles to a small hickory and pointers, thence west with John B. Headen's line 156 poles to a hickory said John B. Headen's corner, thence north his other line 14 poles to the beginning, containing about 310 acres.

Another tract, adjoining the above tract, containing 13 1/4 acres, beginning at a stake in B. F. Headen's line and running east with his line 2 1/4 poles to a stake, thence north 11 1/2 degrees east 30 poles to a stone, thence north 50 poles to a dogwood, thence west 27 poles to a stone said B. F. Headen's line, thence with his line to the beginning.

The said timber on the said land must all be cut and removed within five years from the confirmation of the sale. Terms of sale: One-half cash and balance in six months with interest and the purchaser to have the usual rights of ingress and egress for the purpose of cutting and marketing said timber. This December 31, 1913. H. A. LONDON, Commissioner. H. A. London & Son, Attorneys.

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The Reily-Taylor Co. NEW ORLEANS THIS IS THE FIRM who ten years ago reasoned: "People come miles to get a taste of real 'New Orleans Coffee'—they've heard so much of its remarkable and peculiar goodness. Why not send it to them—place it within reach of everybody, no matter at what distance?" The result was— LUZIANNE COFFEE Now the most popular, the most called-for brand on the market. Many imitators have since come upon the scene, but after you once know Luzianne you will never be deceived by the "just as good" argument of its imitators. SOLD EVERYWHERE The Reily-Taylor Co., New Orleans, U. S. A.

MORTGAGE SALE.—By virtue of a mortgage executed by Kemp Kirby to me on the 11th of March, 1912, and registered on page 140, in book "E.W." in the office of register of deeds of Chatham county, I will sell for cash, at public auction, at the court-house door in Pittsboro, at noon, on Saturday, December 27, 1913, all the interest of said Kirby in and to the following tract of land in Baldwin and Williams townships, Chatham county: Beginning at the forks of the Fayetteville and Pittsboro road, thence with the Fayetteville road in a southerly direction 80 chains to the corner of the public school lot, thence west with said school lot 3 chains, thence with said school lot south 23 deg. east 31 1/3 chains, thence with said school lot east 3 chains to the Fayetteville road, thence east 28 1/2 chains to a stake, thence south 10 1/2 chains to a stump, thence west 45 chains to a sour wood, thence north 28 chains to a post oak on the bank of a branch, thence down said branch as it meanders 13 chains, thence south 80 deg. west 3 1/2 chains, thence south 79 deg. west 19 chains, thence north 5 deg. w. 5 1/2 chains to a pine on the Pittsboro road, thence with said road 33 1/2 chains to the first station, containing about 160 acres, known as Lot No. 2 in the division of the Jones Grove tract of 30 acres devised by Miss Mary R. Smith to Annette Kirby for life remainder to her children. This 26th November, 1913. THADDEUS LLOYD, Chapel Hill, N. C.

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