

THE LARGEST PAID SUBSCRIPTION OF ANY PAPER PUBLISHED IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA

Great Suffering in China

Victoria, B. C. Dec. 23.—News was brought by the steamship Aymeric...

The floods caused great loss of life. The rapid rise of water swept away...

The situation during the winter will be terrible—far worse than during the famine three years ago.

Committees should be organized at once.

CHRISTMAS GOODS

HARDY'S DRUG STORE. Thanks to Close Monday

All the banks of the city will be closed on next Monday as that day will be observed as holiday in the city.

Cotton Market

Cotton seed, per ton, \$3.00. Lint Cotton, 14.50. Seed cotton, 1.50.

Christmas Eve

Dec. 24

A Merry Christmas to all Our Readers

THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF BEAUFORT COUNTY

Beginning Dec. 1, 1909 and Ending Dec. 1, 1910.

Table with 2 columns: Item description and Amount. Includes entries like 'R. H. Warren, chairman county commissioners', 'W. W. Hooker, commissioner', etc.

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What Christmas Means to Me?

As the Christmas season approaches I am reminded of Wordsworth's beautiful "Ode, Intimations of Immortality..."

Christmas Day, December the 25th, is regarded by the Christian world as the birthday of Christ.

To me the Christmas season means rest of body and quiet of mind. It means "peace on earth, good will to men."

I have never been able to understand how some men, bright intelligent men, can labor faithfully all the year and remain sober until Christmas...

This paper must be brief, but something must be said for the children. I believe they should have as much innocent fun and pleasure as their young lives call for...

A COMMENDABLE ACT

Two, much cannot be said about the commendable object for which the Red Cross Christmas stamps are being sold.

No one is to understand these stamps are to take the place of the regular postage stamps but are used in addition to the regular postage.

FLOWERS FOR SALE—Hardy's Drug Store.

PERSONAL MENTION

Misses Laura Berry, Adala Stokessberry, who have been attending the Littleton Female College, passed through the city yesterday enroute to their respective homes in Hyde county.

Mr. J. C. Selby of Hobucken, is in the city today.

Misses Melissa and Martha Credle, of Swan Quarter, are the guests of Mrs. C. E. Wabab, on West Second street.

Messrs. Baxter Bell, Earl Jenette who have been attending Horner's School, are spending the holidays with their parents in Hyde county.

Miss Etta Reeves and Miss Hooker who have been attending the Training School at Greenville, are in the city enroute to their home in Aurora.

Miss Ruth Wicks of Ashland, Va., is in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harrison, 613 E. Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Mitchell of Rocky Mount arrived in the city last evening to spend Christmas with their parents.

Mr. Samuel Dupree of Florence S. C., arrived in the city last night on his way to Plymouth, N. C. Mr. Dupree is a former resident of Washington.

CINCO AND 44 CIGARS

HARDY'S DRUG STORE. The concessions of the weak are the concessions of fear.—Burke.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

HARDY'S DRUG STORE.

Advertisement for Bowers-Lewis Co. featuring 'Just Three More Days to Christmas' and 'WE ARE OFFERING our entire stock of Ladies' Tailored Suits, \$25.00 to \$35.00 values, for the next three days at \$16.98'.

Advertisement for THE GEM THEATRE featuring 'HOLIDAY TIME: A Christmas Bill that will please everybody—a down-to-date performance that we know cannot be equalled anywhere.'

Advertisement for Xmas Greetings with the text 'We wish to extend to our patrons and friends a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.'

Advertisement for James E. Clark Co. with the text 'WE THANK YOU' and 'We take the opportunity this season offers to wish you a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year, and to sincerely thank you for your kind and liberal patronage which has made our present magnificent business possible.'