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CHRISTMAS GRAND AND GLORIOUS.

Christmas, Merry Christmas! What is there in Christmas? Much, very much. It is the day on which we celebrate the birth of the Saviour of the world, that mystery of mysteries, the infant Divine adored by wise men and announced by angelic beings; at whose birth Heaven and Earth resounded with praises to the Great Giver for his Greatest Gift to man; the very keystone to the arch spanning the world with the Father's loving kindness to the children of men. Does the mother love the tender offspring that draws its life from her bosom? Does the sire love that which is begotten to him of her whom he chose as his bride? Do intelligent beings find objects of endearment in humanity? We have in Him whose birth we celebrate the object of the Father's delight and Christians' deepest affection and adoration; Him for whom the stars sang together and, in sympathy with whom all nature stood in awe; at the name of whom all nations shall bow the knee, the very King of kings and Lord of lords. But some one will say it was the birth of a manchild, nothing more. Blot out our faith in the Divinity of Him whose birth we celebrate, and you destroy our tower of faith in Him who said, "This is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased." Yea, you destroy all credence to Bible teaching and we are left without assurance of a Divine Being and a future life. You leave us with little, if any guide or incentive to a life of purity, goodness and even intelligence. You leave us without a guiding star, a haven to seek, a goal to win.

Let those who know not the Saviour's love, the sweetness of simple trust in a superior being, the strength derived from hope inspired by the pages that tell of His birth, vaunt themselves of broader knowledge and more rational intellects, but be ours the glad and happy acceptance of the teaching that we celebrate the birth of our Redeemer and Saviour, the dearest object that can fill the soul of man.

Christmas, grand and glorious

Christmas! Let the bells ring the merry peals and every heart and voice be attuned with the winged hosts that bring messages of light, love and gladness from the throne on high. It is the day of our redemption, the fasting of the link in Heaven's great chain by which poor fallen man, who knows not its import, may be anchored into eternal union with the spotless Head of the Universe and the ideality of all the glory and the good that the most enlightened mind conceives of or the purest heart aspires to. Christmas, grand, glad, glorious Christmas! Exult its glory while there is sin on the earth and lift high its banners while man lies wounded by the fall.

THE COMMONER.

We have before us a circular letter announcing the forthcoming of The Commoner, which will begin with the new year, edited by the Hon. W J Bryan. The following will be interesting and explanatory:

"Mr. Bryan gave out the following interview this morning, Dec. 15:

"I have for several years had in contemplation the establishment of a weekly newspaper, and this seems an opportune time for undertaking it.

"Intending to devote my life to the study and discussion of public questions, I have chosen this method because it will best accomplish the purpose which I have in view. Through such a paper I shall be able to keep in touch with social, economic and political problems. The paper will at the same time if successful, provide an income sufficient for my pecuniary needs and this kind of work will allow me more time with my family than I have been able to enjoy for several years past.

"I expect to lecture occasionally, especially in college towns where I can speak to students, but my principal work will be done with the pen, or perhaps I should say, with the pencil.

"The paper will be called The Commoner, and will defend the principles set forth in the Kansas City platform. The first issue will appear in January. I shall be editor and publisher."

Mr. Bryan says: "It is not my purpose or desire that The Commoner shall interfere with or embarrass weekly papers having a local circulation. It is rather my aim to supplement their work. I hope to enter into clubbing arrangements with the Democratic and other reform papers which supported our ticket in the last campaign."

As a warning against impostors Mr. Bryan asks us to say:

"No traveling canvassers are employed. Terms for local agents will be sent upon application. All money should be sent by P. O. order, Express order, or by bank draft on New York or Chicago. Do not send individual checks or stamps."

The Commoner will be on our clubbing list and will be furnished with The Standard for \$1.75. The regular price of the Commoner is \$2.00.

The Standard will not appear next Monday and Tuesday. We think our readers will generously excuse its non-appearance Monday, as that day wedged in between Sunday and Christmas, a universal holiday, would break into a much desired season of three days off. To those busy the year round a single day's outing passes wonderfully quick. Wishing all our readers and loyal supporters a Christmas of unalloyed happiness we bid adieu, hoping to greet all on Wednesday, the 26th, with benefits of a period of rest and good cheer.

The Henderson Gold Leaf has our congratulations on its entry upon its 20th year at so nearly the period too when it enters the 20th century. Would that it and its genial and stalwart editor might survive the century upon which, it enters in its full grown vigor.

Paid Dear For His Leg.

B D Blanton, of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over \$300 to doctors to cure a running sore on his leg. Then he wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles. 25c a box. Sold at Fetzler's drug store.

The grasping hand cannot grasp God's hand.—Ram's Horn.

"I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and find it to be a great medicine," says Mr. E S Phipps, of Poteau, Ark. "It cured me of bloody flux. I cannot speak too highly of it." This remedy always wins the good opinion, if not praise, of those who use it. The quick cures which it effects even in the most severe cases make it a favorite everywhere. For sale at Marsh's drug store

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Manufacturers OF FINE Gingham, Plaids, Sheet, Salt Bags AND Outing cloth.

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We invite an inspection of all the goods we manufacture

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We are now showing the Largest Stock of Holiday Goods to be Found in Concord

One entire floor containing 1,564 square feet for Dolls and Toys alone, while the larger part of our main floor is burdened with Chinaware, Fancy Boxes, Books, and a general line of goods suitable for Gifts.

GAMES!
1c. to \$3.25.

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5c to \$15 per set.

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These Game Boards have Rules for 50 Games including CROKINOLE and all the CARROM GAMES

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We haven't space or time to give you a full account of our stock. Come on; we have what you want and will save you money.

Respectfully,

D. J. Bostian.

JUST A REMINDER FOR THE AUTUMN AND WINTER SUIT		CONCORD MARKETS.	
O—O		COTTON MARKET.	
JACOB REED'S SONS OR PHILADELPHIA		Corrected by Cannon & Fetzler Company.	
INVITE YOU TO EXAMINE THEIR BEAUTIFUL NEW COLLECTION OF FABRICS NOW SHOWN BY....		Good middling.....	9 25
G. W. PATTERSON, CONCORD, N. C.		Middling.....	9 15
O—O		Low middling.....	9 05
Suits from \$12.50 upward.		Stains.....	8 85
Trousers from \$4.00 upward.		PRODUCE MARKET.	
Overcoats from \$10.00 upward.		Corrected by Ed. F. White.	
O—O		Bacon.....	10
All carefully cut to measure, handsomely trimmed and tailored.		Sugar-cured hams.....	15
		Bulk meat sides.....	10
		Beeswax.....	20
		Butter.....	15
		Chickens.....	10 to 20
		Corn.....	75
		Eggs.....	15
		Lard.....	10
		Flour (N. C.).....	\$2 00
		Meal.....	70
		Oats.....	50
		Tallow.....	7