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Miss Burton Won Piano Miss Wilkerson Victrola.

Miss Barrett Won Second Victrola; Misses Dorman and Coxe Wins Elgin Watches—Judges Handled Hard Task Painstakingly, and all Candidates Were Fairly Treated—Contest Adds Several hundred New Names to Courier List.

With 2,570,525 votes as her final grand total, Miss Lizzie Burton, of Roxboro won the \$300 piano offered by **The Courier** in its Piano Contest. This young lady certainly made a grand race of it, working unaided, and it is safe to say that, rain or shine, she was out every day, and her winning seemed to give general satisfaction.

Bushy Fork High school was well represented by Miss Mollie Wilkerson, a young lady student. The girls of the school, backed by the patrons got into the race after it had been about three weeks along, and certainly made a whirlwind finish. Considering the school work the girls had to do during the contest, their 1,290,500 votes was a demonstration of what united efforts will accomplish. The \$75 Victrola is a fine addition to the equipment of the school, and in it, the students may enjoy the best instrumental music, bands, vocal music, and the great singers and speakers of the day can perform on Bushy Fork's Victrola.

Third prize, a \$40 Victrola, was won by Miss Sadie Barrett, who represented School No. 4, Holloways Township.

Fourth prize, a \$25 Elgin Gold watch was won by Miss Rossie Dorman, of Moriah.

Fifth prize, a \$10 Elgin Gold Watch was won by Miss Ellen Cox, of Bethel High school.

Thank the Judges
Messrs. W. I. Newton, C. C. Cunningham, and B. G. Clayton acted as judges, and they certainly

were careful and painstaking in the work, carefully checking and verifying the votes as cast. **The Courier** takes this method of publicly thanking the gentlemen for handling a task that is not what everybody would call the most pleasant one, for being a judge of anything is no joke.

To Candidates

Besides winning the Piano Miss Burton won \$20 in cash, while Miss Wilkerson won \$5 in cash, besides the \$75 Victrola. Every candidate in the race won something.

We wish to thank the candidates one and all for bringing **The Courier** into several hundred new homes where it was a stranger 8 weeks ago.

Judges Report

The judges report is on file at this office, and the final standings were as follows:

First Grand Prize—Piano	
Miss Lizzie Burton	2570525
Second Grand Prize—Victrola	
Miss Mollie Wilkerson	1290500
Third Grand Prize—2nd Victrola	
Miss Sadie Barrett	378100
Fourth Grand Prize—Elgin Watch	
Miss Rossie Dorman	343500
Fifth Grand Prize—2nd Elgin Watch	
Miss Ellen Cox	324650

Stockholders Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Peoples Bank will be held at the bank on Saturday, January 24th 1914, at 11 o'clock a. m.

This Dec 15th, 1913.

WHEN CHRISTMAS TIME COMES ROUND

S. E. KISER

When Christmas time comes round it seems
As though the long, long years
Roll back and take away our cares
And dry up all our tears:
I don't know why it is, but when
The great day comes along
I get to feelin' young again,
And kind of turn to song,
And whistle and go on just like
A boy would. I'll be bound,
The old world seems to brighten up
When Christmas time comes round.

I'm tickled at the Jumpin' Jack
And all them kind of things;
I like to watch the toys that play
By windin' up the springs,
And somehow—don't know why it is—
Love seems to fill the air,
And I forget I've enemies
Or troubles anywhere;
And every little while I sort
Of listen for the sound
Of voices that have long been still,
When Christmas time comes round.

I wish that I was Santa Claus
And had a magic sleigh,
To visit all the children who
Look forward to the day—
The orphans and the cripples and
The poor kids everywhere—
All children that are good and kind
And don't forget their prayers:
I'll bet you that they'd all be glad
When they got up and found
Their stockin's fairly bustin' out,
When Christmas time come round.

Oh, happy time of jinglin' bells
And hills all white with snow;
Oh, joyful day that takes us back
To care-free long ago,
I wonder if up there above
Where happy angels roam
They do not get to thinkin' of
The happy times at home,
And turn, in fancy, back once more
To listen to the sound
Of voices that have long been still,
When Christmas time comes round?



We want to thank our friends and patrons for their liberal patronage given us during the year just closing, and wish each and every one a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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TO BE A TIME OF JOY FOR HIM

This Little Story Shows Just What a Lot of Good Things the Bachelor Misses at Merry Christmas Time

"My wife has been questioning me for the past three weeks about what I would like for Christmas."

"Well, I suppose you told her?"
"Yes. The first thing I thought of was an umbrella. I really need an umbrella, because it is quite a distance from my house to the train, and I have to walk it. A nice umbrella would come in handy on rainy days. Then there are some books I would like very much. I gave her a list of them as nearly as I could at the start, and have been adding to it day by day as I happened to think of something else in that line. I mentioned cuff-buttons and studs for full-dress occasions, and I gave her to understand that if she didn't feel like troubling herself over the matter I would be glad to take the money she had set aside for me and buy myself some cigars. Last night I had occasion to look into a closet we don't use much, and there I found my present, all ready to be placed before me on Christmas morning."
"Of course, then, she hadn't adopted your suggestion as to the cigars."
"No. I'm going to be made glad with a beautifully worked sofa pillow."

BAD FOR ANIMALS AND PLANTS.

The injury to plants and animals of the great deposits of soot washed down from the air of factory towns has been traced by Dr. R. C. Benner chiefly to the tar and free acid, both of which are corrosive, while the adhesiveness of the tar prevents plant transpiration.

Tree rings in a Scotch fir diminished at once after the erection of a factory near, and vegetables in smoky towns showed reduced growth. Lessened sunlight and increased fog are injurious atmospheric conditions.

An Exchange.

"What did your mistress give you for Christmas?"
"A box of cheap handkerchiefs."
"What did you give her?"
"A week's notice."

A Lucky Man.

He sees the sun through spreading rifts,
He hears the wind sing songs of cheer;
His wife will buy no Christmas gifts
And have them charged to him this year.

FAIR WARNING TO SANTA CLAUS.

There ain't no Santa Claus, I guess, or if there is, why he

Don't know so very much about book-keepin', seems to me.
I ast him fer some rabbits and a pair of skates one year,
And all he left was nothin' but a little sister here.

And last year when I wrote to him I said I'd like a sled
And one of these here spaniel dogs that's kind of brownish red;
But blame the luck, I didn't git a solitary thing.

Except a cap and overcoat and plated napkin ring.

I've wrote him this year that I want a hook-and-ladder truck
And magic lantern and a goat that I can train to buck,
And mebbe a four-bladed knife, if he has one to spare,
But I've told him plain and honest that I don't want things to wear.

I'll try to keep believin' till he comes around once more,
But he's got to do much better than he ever done before;
If he brings another sister in the place of what I'd like,
Why, I'll quit believin' in him from that minute, the old Ike!



CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT ARE USEFUL



WHY THE HARDWARE STORE IS JUST THE PLACE TO BUY SENSIBLE, USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS.
SILVERWARE, CARVING SETS, TABLE CUTLERY, POCKET KNIVES, RANGES, AND A THOUSAND AND ONE OTHER THINGS WILL MAKE PRESENTS YOUR FAMILY OR YOUR FRIENDS WILL LIKE.
DON'T THROW YOUR MONEY AWAY BUYING SOME TRASHY PRESENT, BUT COME TO US AND BUY A SENSIBLE GIFT.

Long, Bradsher & Co.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year TO ALL

We are rounding up the best years business that we have ever had. Much of this is due to the loyalty of our friends. To each and every one who has spent a dollar or a dime with us or spoken a kind word about us we return our sincere thanks. We trust that we will be favored with your continued patronage and assure you that we will be pleased to serve you to the very best of our ability.

Harris & Burns.

Roxboro's Best Store.