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FROM PRINTER'S DEVIL TO SENATOR.

That Appears to Be the Destiny of a Bright Young North Carolina Republican.

If it is not asking too much, will you kindly publish this bit of history concerning Jeter C. Pritchard's early life, which has been taken from the Jonesboro, Tenn.. correspondence of the Chattanooga Times? J. B. FORTUNE. Shelby, N. C., Nov. 30, 1894.

THE DEVIL GETS SCARED.

a little kid of a boy working as "devil" here in the office of the Union Flag with Capt. Geo. E. Grisham, and afterwards with Dr. C. Wheeler in the office of the Herald and Tribune. There was nothing remarkable about him then. gives new life to the whole sys-He was just like any other printer boy tem. This is the medicine you

-smeared with grease and printer's ink, but was very bright and clever, and went by the name of Jeter Pritchett. In the year 1873 the cholera came to Jonesboro and there was a general stampede for dear life on the part of every one that could get away. Jeter and another boy "hit the grit" for Bakersville, N. C. Jeter left without a coat; he wore a hickory shirt and carried a small bundle of clothes and had 10 cents in cash. At the Iron Mountain they called at old man Mosley's for some milk : the old man, thinking they were tramps or beggars, drove them off

He was industrious and faithful and made friends, and after a time went into the internal revenue service as a United States deputy marshal. And in the meantime he read law, and as the years rolled on he was twice elected to the North Carolina Legislature and was soon the acknowledged leader of the

To-day that little printer boy that left Jonesboro twenty-one years ago last July, ragged and barefooted, and footed it all the way to Bakersville, N. C., is known as the Hon. Jeter C. Pritchard he is one of the finest criminal lawyers in that section and is one of the most gifted speakers in the Republican party

He is the leading Republican candi certainly be one of them.

Here in this old town Jeter has many old friends and kinfolks, who yery natterest in his success. Among the latter quicken your longing for the return urally feel more than an ordinary inis our Democratic sheriff, Jas. S.

President. Now North Carolina has a chance to reciprocate in part by sending Jeter C. Pritchard to the United States Senate.

It Makes a Difference How a Thing is Said.

physicians for miles about, but of no Washington Correspondence N. Y. Sun. monopoly of the joys of Christmas. emancipation was practically one of the the President's hand, he remarked: "It's b-b-been a long t-t-time, Mr. Pres-Pres-President, since I was here.

"Yes, Mr. Pres-Pres-President.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

For Your Neighbor.

night; and brother is reconciled to brother, old enmities are laid away past sins forgiven, and the bonds of friendship and family affection drawn which it never pays to fret; that which and powerful still open their coffers weak point in this bit of homely philter their goods among the poor, there- the world over, to act upon its suggesand scared them so they ran about two by imitating the Magi of old; for is it tion. miles. Jeter at length reached Bakersnot written: "Whatsoever ye shall do unto the least of My brethren, ye shall do unto Me?" Thus, in spite of the evil forces with which modern mate-

> the civilized world. A Merry Christmas, then, let it be to all! A divine religion is not a sac one. It brings peace to the heart, and joy is an exuberance of peace. Therefore let the bells ring out, and hang out the mistletoe, and bring on the smoking turky, and gather round the fireside, and join in the frolics of the youngsters-anything, everything, se that the day be merry, and all hearts rejoice because Christ the Lord was born. Forget for the time the careof business, the pressure of hard times the threatening future. Lock up the family skeleton and, with it, all frowns and harsh words and the pretty tyran nies and jealousies of common days. It you can lose the key of the closet, so much the better. If not, even the brief reipste from ugly cares will leave its benediction in your heart, and

of the festival of peace. If you have no fireside of your own This marverlous success of Jeter's to enliven, seek out the desolate hearth are many forlorn little ones to whom an orange and a picture book would be foretaste of Heaven. Play Santa Claus to such, and you will find your Merry Christmas in the reflection of their innocent delight; or carry your greeting and your gift to some aged and lonely creature whose last Christmas it will be on earth, and earn a blessing that will repay your efforts a Neither do we North. Enfranchising hundredfold. There is, happily, no all the negroes immediately after their If they do not come to us, we can go to them. We have but to open our hearts and stretch out our hands, and the messengers of peace will come gladly trooping toward us. It will be our own fault if we have not each and all

Senseless Fretting

a Merry Christmas.

It w-w-was during the last Democratic It is undoubtedly a fact that nearly adminis-is-is-administration, before the all fretting could be classed under this head, and that most of it could be

Do Some Act to Make it a Happy One spring rains, and the winter's snow, are alike disagreeable. "What an unpleasant day!" they mournfully exclaim, and this stereotyped remark

heavens. Yet withal Christmas brings complain that there is nothing to do. its message to these as well as to their Their eves grow dull from constantly widely different prototypes of nearly looking on the dark side of things two thousand years ago. The echo of Their voices have the impatient ring the angelic voices that sang of peace which comes from habitual fault-findon earth, good will to men, still re- ing. And the worst of it is, they rob sounds in the heavens on Christmas life of its sweetness, not only for them selves but for others.

world," said a sage observer, "over tighter over the Christmas board and can be helped, and that which cannot round the cheerful hearth. The rich be." And unless they can find some and, with large-handed liberality, seat- osophy, it would be well for grumblers

N. Y. Correspondent Baltimore Sun. The Rev. Madison C. Peters, of the Bloomingdale church, in a prelude to his sermon on Sunday eyening, said in

"Having recently spent a few weeks in the South, I feel it to be my duty publicly to admit that I had, until I enlarged my information by personal observation, an entirely erroneous idea of the South, and I take this means publicly to apologize for those uncharitable thoughts. My lectures were on American lines, and my pleas for intenser Americanism and more enthusiastic loyalty to American ideas, as laid down by the founders of our republic, met everywhere with the heartiest response. If the tocsin of war should be sounded, a foreign foe invade our shores, or an insurrectionary body arise in our midst, a million mer, armed to the teeth, would come from the South and rally round the flag of the Union.

"Why, the South is the only true American part of our nation to-day. The South may yet have to be called on to save the North from her reckless immigration, which is now weakening and undermining the foundation of our social order. Rebel? That word must henceforth not be spoken. I believe that the South to-day grasps the hand of the North in a fellowship which has in it no misgiving nor deceit. The public men of the South are not, as with us, 'professional foreigners,' who have made publice office a public steal, The southern men in public office are patriotic and devout, conscientiously American, and personally the embodiment of integrity. But you say they do not believe in 'negro domination.' greatest mistakes ever made by any free government.

"In many counties and States the colored voters are in the majority, and a majority rule would take the government entirely from the property-owners and place it in the hands of those who, with few exceptions, have no qualifications to entitle them to a voice in the affairs of the government. Negrodomination would white be damnation.

"The solid South is broken, and will break more and more if they let alone. But let the next Congress agitate a force bill, and self-defence will solidify characterized as sinful as well. A lit- the South again. A suffrage limited tle wholesome faith in the all things to an educational qualification is the which "work together for good" would only solution of the negro problem. clear from the world nine-tenths of But illiteracy is not confined to the this most un-Christ-like of qualities. South. Our Northern cities are throng-But one variety of fretting is especially ed with foreigners as imbecile in their worthy of censure, since it has not even ignorance and degraded in their morals the basis of real trouble as an excuse as were the rabble hordes that wrecked the republics of antiquity. Universal

fruitful source of discentent. The heat of July, the cold of December, the

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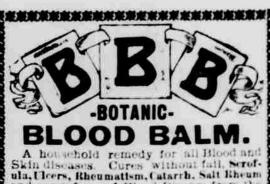
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A long time had been praying. So greatly pleased was he to see Such charming Christmas weather That gayly to his task he flew Of getting things together. His ample sleigh was put to rights And loaded full to brimming,

And soon along the country roads

Old Santa Claus was skimming. Now here, now there, hissprightly deer With airy lightness darted. As fresh when miles and miles away As when they just had started. The fleecy flakes kept coming down The rambling roadways hiding;

Yet on and on they flew along

Like shadows swiftly gliding.

But ere his journey was quite o'r St. Nick met trouble dire; The roads kept filling up apace, The snow kept piling higher, And from his sight the earth was hid By flakes so thickly flying, He could not find the road at all, But still he kept on trying.

Here was indeed for Santa Claus

An awkward situation,

And one that for the moment filled His mind with consternation; The kindly soul was sad with fear That on the morrow morning, Some disappointed little friends His absence would be mourning. Still trusting that kind Providence

Would help him in his trouble,

St. Nick his faithful reindeer steeds

Their efforts urged to double:

And often with a cheering word The jaded beasts he aided. While on ahead through snowdrifts

To find the road he waded. At length, amid the flying flakes, By chance old Santa sighted Not far away a signpost tall, Whereat he was delighted, The sign upon the post contained

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ville. N. C., and got a job in the printing office with a Mr. Bowman. rialism and infidelity are seeking to subvert the influences of Christianity. the Star of Bethlehem is still in the ascendant, and Christmas is the greetest and most joyous festival known to

Republicans in that body. of western North Carolina.

date for United States Senator and in case the Republican-Populist combine, which will control the next Legislature of North Carolina, succeeds in electing the two United States Senators, Hon Jeter C. Pritchard, it is said, will most

Pritchett, a cousin of Jeter's. may be considered as right along the of some unfortunate brother. There line of Blaine's doctrice of "reciprocity." Many years ago Andy Johnson came to Tennessee, a poor boy from North Carolina, and we took him up and gave him every office, running from alderman to

"A good many of us," said Senator Palmer last eyening, "are perhaps saying things about the President we wouldn't say before his face. A great deal depends, however, on the way you say it. I remember taking Tom Merritt, of Illinois, to see President Cleveland one day. Merritt stutters, and that is probably the reason the President laughed at what he said. Shaking

"So long ago?' the President inquir-

now."