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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa: I love you very much. Please bring me some pine apples when you come and also bring me a little doll bed, a doll and anything you would think nice for a little girl 5 years old.

Your friend,
 Jemima Brown.

Dear Old Santa Claus: As it is most Xmas I thought I would write and ask you to please bring me a little stove, a ring, a doll baby and a little smoothing iron to iron my doll baby's clothes, and some candy, oranges, apples, bananas, and don't forget my little brother, he likes nice things too.

Your little friend,
 Ruth York.

Dear Old Santa: I will write and tell you what I want for Xmas, I want a rocking horse with a saddle on it, a drum, some candy, fruits and nuts of all kinds. If you bring me all of this I will be a good little boy, now don't forget my little brother, he wants a little rubber doll, now I will say Goodby.

Dewey Sappenfield.

My Dear Santa Claus: I will write and tell you what I want for Christmas I want a tinner drum and a magic lantern, some oranges and apples and nuts and other kind of fruit.

Your friend
 James Sappenfield.

My Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl just seven years old, I want you to bring me a doll, that has black curly hair, a doll that can go to sleep a baby carriage, a pretty little hat for my doll, a ring and some candy, nuts and fruits. Goodby.

Ester Sappenfield.

Dear Old Santa: I am a little girl three years old and I want you to please bring me a doll baby with curly hair some hickory nuts, some candy be sure and bring me a doll baby that goes to sleep.

I am your little girl,
 Annie Grace Sappenfield.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy nine years old will be ten New Years. I would be very happy Santa if you would please bring me an express wagon, a drum and I want a horn but you better not bring it for I would worry to much with it. I tell you, you can bring me a billy goat instead of the horn. Please leave it at the barn because you could not get it in my stocking if you try. Now don't forget to bring me a lot of candies and oranges. If you will bring me all I ask for I will divide with Gilbert, now don't forget me.

Your little friend,
 Joe Wertz Hendrix.

My Dear Santa Claus: I want a rag doll and a doll trunk and a doll hat and a little doll dress for my doll and a doll carriage, now I will have to close, so Goodby.

Phoebe Hart King.

HAPPY RESULTS.

Have Made Many Concord Residents Enthusiastic.

No wonder scores of Concord citizens grow enthusiastic. It is enough to make anyone happy to find relief after years of suffering. Public statements like the following are but truthful representations of the daily work done in Concord by Doan's Kidney Pills.

Mrs. J. C. Sherrill of 96 Mill street wife of J. C. Sherrill mill operator, says: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills for backache and found them good. I suffered for years with a weak back and I could not get any relief night or day and was almost completely discouraged and thought I never would be any better. My husband read about Doan's Kidney Pills in our papers and went to the Gibson Drug Store and got me a box. I tried them with such good results that I was delighted. I am glad to recommend these pills when opportunities occur."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name Doan's and take no other.

A pepper temper is not to be sneezed at.

W. O. W.
 All member of Elm Camp No. 16 are requested to be present Tuesday night 13th. Special business to come up. Election of officers for the coming year, every member should be present.

A. E. LENTZ Clerk.

Speaker Cannon's New Gavel.

Speaker Cannon will call the House to order today with a new gavel which has just been presented to him, and connected with which there is a story. The gavel is carved from a piece of dogwood which grew on the farm where "Uncle Joe" was born, near Guilford, N. C., and on the banks of the very creek in which as a boy he took his daily swim. Mr. John C. Fox, of Guilford, who is familiar with the cherished traditions of the place connected with the birth, boyhood, and early life of the statesman who now calls Illinois his home, chopped down a sturdy dogwood tree and turned from its roots a handsome and strenuous looking mallet calculated to stand repeated blows upon the Speaker's desk. Representative Joseph M. Dixon, of Montana, introduced Mr. Cox to "Uncle Joe." Mr. Dixon, who was also born near Guilford, and who has a kindly feeling in his heart still for the quaint place, explained the history of the gavel, which Mr. Cox then presented. Speaker Cannon was delighted, and promised to use the gavel the very next time he makes use of such an instrument of discipline.

"The life of a gavel in the House of Representatives is a short, merry, and difficult out," said "Uncle Joe" in accepting the gift. "It has a rough road to travel, and is subjected to a great many hard knocks. It doesn't lead the simple life by a considerable sight."—Washington Post, 12th.

Advertised Letters.

Advertised list of letters in Concord N. C. Postoffice, Dec. 12, 1904.

MEN.

David Beaver, John Cathen, J. Z. Cauthen, C. C. Cook, Ed. Cook, Alvin Durlay, J. P. Duke, Frank Ellis, colored; John Hartman, W. P. Hollie Jiles Honeycutt, W. F. Lawings, Sam Lisk, W. M. Sanders, Mayhew Stillwell, Will Wall.

WOMEN.

Sallie Hatley, Lucy Johnson, Mrs. Tilly Kelly, Susie Prince, Mrs. Cora Ray, Janie Sears, Tillie Shay, Mrs. Mamie Sides, Mrs. Annie E. White.

When calling for the above say advertised and give the date of the list. One cent will be charged for each advertised letter if delivered.

G. L. PATTERSON Postmaster.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY.
 I, Frank J. Cheney, make oath that I am senior partner in the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. FRANK J. CHENEY.
 Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.
 (Seal.)
 A. W. Gleason,
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free.
 F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
 Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
 Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

The shoemaker should put his whole sole into his work.

Doesn't Respect Old Age.

It's shameful when youth fails to show proper respect for old age, but just the contrary in the case of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They cut off maladies no matter how severe and irrespective of old age. Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Fever, Constipation all yield to this perfect Pill. 25c. at all druggists.

The stamp of approval is not sold at the Post Office.

Mothers Be Careful

Of the health of your children. Look out for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough. Stop them in time—One Minute Cough Cure is the best remedy. Harmless and pleasant. Sold by The Gibson Drug Store.

When some people drop a hint it sounds like a ton of bricks.

A Good Night's Rest.

The greatest tonic on earth is a good night's rest. Restless nights and the terrible exhaustion of a hacking cough are dread dangers of the poor consumptive. But why this fear of the night when a few doses of Dr. Boschee's German Syrup will insure refreshing sleep, entirely free from cough or night sweat? Free expectoration in the morning is made certain by taking German Syrup. It has cured consumption for forty years. Trial bottle, 25c. Big bottle, 75c. Sold by Concord Drug Co.

Opportunities are never lacking to make fools of ourselves.

A Runaway Bicycle.

Terminated with an ugly cut on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. It developed a stubborn ulcer unyielding to doctors and remedies for four years. Then Buchen's Arnica Salve cured it. It's just as good for Burns, Scalds, Skin Eruptions and Piles 25c. at all druggists.

Shooting With King Alphonso.

When the King of Spain was at Xeres he greatly admired a horse belonging to Senor Rivero, one of the notables of the town, who at once presented him with the animal. The King refused the gift, but the other day, at the pigeon shooting at Casa de Campa, near Madrid, a match was arranged between the King and Senor Rivero. The stakes were, on the King's side, a gold piece of 100 pesetas, and on Senor Rivero's a souvenir of Xeres. Like a skilful courier Senor Rivero lost, and sent the King the horse which he had so much admired as a souvenir of Xeres. The King could not refuse to accept, but he at once sent the Senor one of the best horses in the royal stable in exchange.—London Sketch.

No More Suffering.

If you are troubled with indigestion get a bottle of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and see how quickly it will cure you. Geo. A. Thompson, of Spencer, Ia., says: "Have had dyspepsia for twenty years. My case was almost hopeless, Kodol Dyspepsia Cure was recommended and I used a few bottles of it and it is the only thing that has relieved me. Would be without it. Have doctored with local physicians and also at Chicago, and even went to Norway with hopes of getting some relief, but Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is the only remedy that has done me any good, and I heartily recommend it. Every person suffering with indigestion or Dyspepsia should use." Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

Kleptomania cannot be cured by taking things for it.

Many a man is deaf to entreaties, but not to a treat.

Beware of Counterfeits.

"DeWitt's is the only genuine Witch Hazel Salve" writes J. L. Tucker, of Centre, Ala. "I have used it in my family for Piles, Cuts and Burns for years and can recommend it to be the best Salve on the market. Every family should keep it, as an invaluable household remedy, and should always be kept on hand for immediate use." Mrs. Samuel Gage, of North Bush, N. Y., says: "I had a fever sore on my ankle for twelve years that the doctors could not cure. All salves and blood remedies proved worthless. I could not walk for over two years. Finally I was persuaded to try DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which has completely cured me. It is a wonderful relief." DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures without leaving a scar. Sold by Gibson Drug Store.

You don't have to be polite if you have money.

Disastrous Wrecks.

Carelessness is responsible for many a railway wreck and the same causes are making human wrecks of sufferers from throat and lung troubles. But since the advent of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, even the worst cases can be cured and hopeless resignation is no longer necessary. Mrs. Lois Oragg of Dorchester, Mass., is one of many whose life was saved by Dr. King's New Discovery. This great remedy is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by all druggists. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

Don't kick unless you are sure of your ground.

Not a Sick Day Since.

"I was taken severely sick with kidney trouble. I tried all sorts of medicines, none of which relieved me. One day I saw an ad of your Electric Bitters and determined to try that. After taking a few doses I felt relieved, and soon thereafter was entirely cured, and have not seen a sick day since. Neighbors of mine have been cured of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Liver and Kidney troubles and General Debility." This is what E. F. Bass, of Fremont, N. C., writes. Only 50c at all druggists.

You may master the dictionary and still be a man of few words.

A Pleasant Pill

No pill is as pleasant and positive as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are so mild and effective that children, delicate ladies and weak people enjoy their cleansing effect, while older people say they are the best liver pill sold. Sold by The Gibson Drug Store.

No man is too honest to take a train that doesn't belong to him.

A Good Complexion.

"Sparkling eyes and rosy cheeks restored by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers," so writes S. P. Moore, of Naogdoches, Tex. A certain cure for biliousness, constipation, etc. Small pill—easy to take—easy to act. Sold by The Gibson Drug Store.

Crazy quilts and lovers quarrels are generally patched up.

Energy all gone? Headache? Stomach out of order? Simply a case of torpid liver. Burdock Blood Bitters will make a new man or woman of you. At all drug stores.

No Dessert More Attractive

Why use gelatine and spend hours soaking, sweetening, flavoring and coloring when

Jell-O
 produces better results in two minutes! Everything in the package. Simply add hot water and set to cool. Its perfection. A surprise to the housewife. No trouble, less expense. Try it to-day. In Four Fruit Flavors: Lemon, Orange, Strawberry, Raspberry. At grocers, 10c.

PENNY COLUMN

Small Ads. at a line that bring BIG RESULTS for small investment.

Wait for the Big Mill End Sale at Ivey's next week. d12

BIG lot of bananas wholesale and retail, at the City Bakery, phone 122.

WOOD—Limited quantity oak wood for sale. J. L. Hartzell. d13 ff

NEW LOT of Richardson's embroidery silks in all colors at H. L. Parks.

VERY dainty Christmas handkerchiefs are now on display at H. L. Parks & Co.

Yes H. L. Parks & Co. is the toy store.

For China and Glassware go to H. H. Parks & Co.

Great bargains in chairs for dolls and children at H. L. Parks & Co.

The lamp show at Parks & Co. is great.

Those that appreciate first class work will not make a mistake by calling at A. Viola's Barber Shop and have it done.

FOR SALE—Ten dollars cash and easy monthly payments, two cottages, at Forest Hill. Dr. Houston. dec 16.

FOR RENT—Five room cottage on Georgia avenue. Dr. Houston. dec 16

House to rent on Spring St., near graded school. Apply to W. J. Hill. n16-ff.

Baled hay for sale by Blackwelder & Harris. Phone 162. o5

LADIES. DR. LAFRANCO'S COMPOUND.
 Safe, speedy regulator; 25 cents. Druggists or mail booklet free. DR. LAFRANCO, Philadelphia, Pa.

WANTED.—To fill your prescriptions; at your service any hour of night Find me 43 W. Depot street. S. W. Williams. 3-22 ff

What do you need in printing? Whatever it is come to THE TRIBUNE job office and get figures.

Don't you need some bills, statements, letters or envelopes by Jan. 1st.

Don't wait until the last sheet is used. Make arrangements for your 1905 needs in the printing line now. TRIBUNE office.

FOUND—A heart-shaped souvenir of Atlanta, 1895; name on one side, at this office for expense of this ad. d13

Tires Shrunken While You Grease Your Wagon.

We have the best
Cold Tire Shrinker
 In the State and can shrink a set of tires in 30 minutes. Time is money. So let us save you time. Satisfaction guaranteed. Shop in rear Morris building.
 Jas. Wilkinson.

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CONCORD PERPETUAL BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION.

Books now open for Subscription to Stock in 33rd Series Concord Perpetual Building & Loan Association. ::::

This Association has matured and paid off 20 Series since organization in June 1888, and has never lost a dollar. It does not offer a "GET RICH QUICK" scheme, but affords a sure way to SAVE YOUR MONEY, and earns for you a good dividend.

It Affords a Sure Way to Secure a Home.

Call on the Secretary and Treasurer at Catarrus Savings Bank and subscribe for some stock—it will do you good.

ROBT. S. YOUNG, Pres.
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Christmas Holiday Excursion Rates

VIA

Southern Railway

1904-1905

Account Christmas and New Year Holidays, Southern Railway will sell tickets at extremely low rates.

Dates of sale of tickets to the general public, December 23, 24, 25 and 31, 1904, and January 1, 1905, with final limit January 4, 1905.

Dates of sale of tickets to students and teachers, upon presentation of Certificate signed by superintendent, Principal or President of Schools and Colleges, December 17 to 24, inclusive, with final return limit Jan. 8, 1904.

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CITY TAX

WANTED!

All persons owing a Poll Tax, as well as Property, Real and Personal, are requested to call and pay the same. This tax has been due since Sept. 1st. If the city ever needed money, it needs it now. Schools, Lights, Streets and the General Fund are demanding money. Let me have it.

R. L. McCONNELL,
 City Tax Collector.

No matter how long you have had the cough; if it hasn't developed into consumption, Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup will cure it. At any drug store.

Like a Comet
This
 In the sky comes the star of health to the weak and weary, despondent, dyspeptic, curing all stomach troubles and digestive disorders.
 famous remedy does for the stomach that which it is unable to do for itself, even if but slightly disordered or overburdened.

Kodol
 supplies the natural juices of digestion and does the work of the stomach, relaxing the nervous tension, while the inflamed muscles and membranes of that organ are allowed to rest and heal. It cures indigestion, flatulence, palpitation of the heart, nervous dyspepsia and all stomach troubles by cleansing, purifying and strengthening the glands, membranes of the stomach and digestive organs.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure
 Your Dealer Can Supply You.
 Bottles only, \$1.00. Size holding 2 1/2 times the trial size, which sells for 50c.
 Prepared by E. R. DEWITT & CO., CHICAGO.

Sold by the Gibson Drug Store

To The Taxpayers.

Your Taxes have been due since the 1st of September and I have waited patiently with you, but the time has come when I must have your Tax. The law compels me to pay over the School Tax by January 1st, and I can't pay without your help. Now you must pay or I will have to levy on your property, and make cost, to the taxpayer, I hope every one will take this notice into consideration, and consider the situation in which I am placed, and save me some trouble and you some expense, because you know as well as myself your Tax is due and ought to be paid.

Yours to serve,
JAS. F. HARRIS, Sheriff.

Even after a hog is dead, the ham may be sugar-cured.