



Friday, Dec. 25th, Christmas Day being a statutory public holiday. The Morning Guardian will not be issued on Saturday, Dec. 26th.

"The Evening Guardian will not be issued on Friday but will be published on Saturday as usual."

Advertisers will please note these changes.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1914.

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

A little more love, a little less selfishness and this Christmas will be the best we have ever spent.

There is nothing better or more beautiful than that which lies in a true and generous heart.

At this Christmas-time when wishing is permissible and customary, the main thing to be wished for is more heart.

In the past the tendency has been to make us hardhearted. We had departed from the stern, rigorous, self-repressing manner of life of our forefathers.

We have got out of that groove, more's the pity. We live more in a whirl, finding little time for anything but our material interests.

The war is bringing us to our senses. More love, more self-sacrifice, whether in peace or war are what we wish for our readers and ourselves this Christmas morn.

TO MEN OF GOOD WILL

To celebrate the anniversary of the birth of the Christ in the midst of Armageddon may seem somewhat incongruous.

When the Angels heralded the advent of Christ the Lord they did not sing "Peace on Earth and Goodwill toward men;" what they did sing, and what the great Greek church today continues to sing, was "Peace on Earth to Men of Goodwill."

Prince Kropotkin, the great Russian Nihilist, writer and scientist, is a devout Christian and believer in the sermon on the Mount.

THE FRUIT OF HATE

The present cataclysm is the consequence of the violation and perversion of goodwill.

Twenty-five years ago diplomats and British visitors to the Court at Potsdam were shocked at the intensity of the young Emperor's hatred of the British and things British.

Today we see the fruits. The rising generation of Germany was not slow to take the Kaiser's as its pattern.

undisturbed by thoughts of rivalry and competitive militarism. They hoped the union of the two royal dynasties would cement the friendship and perpetuate the mutual understanding regarding their spheres.

But they reckoned without taking into consideration the unnatural hatred of the offspring of this dynastic union. He was but twelve years old when the German Empire was founded with his grandfather as the first Emperor and Bismarck the power behind the throne.

His ambition lusted for action to add to his Empire the actual possession of sea-power, which he well-knew was possible only by contesting the claims of Britain to the title of Mistress of the Seas.

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It was felt on all hands that the malignity and vindictiveness of such an affront at a critical juncture in Britain's South African policy could have only one object in view.

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The Angels' message is not for him or the like of him—while in a state of unrepentance. Hard things have been said of the Kaiser since the launching of Armageddon, and the pity is, most of them are deserved.

THE ANGELES' SONG

It came upon the midnight clear, That glorious song of old, From angels bending near the earth...

HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

This week Christmas has been written largely over almost every action and all affairs of social interest have been laid aside so that gifts could be completed and time taken for the joyous surprises of the holiday season.

"Christmas as usual" apparently appealed to all as during the past week especially business has been just as keen as if it was last year. The brilliantly lighted and decorated shops were full of people and the general brightness, general expectancy were the same, while tokens of remembrance were very largely purchased.

For the children the week has been an especially happy one and ere this had no doubt had their expectations fulfilled and Santa Claus sleigh-bells will be silent for another year.

Many homes are rejoicing over the absent ones who have returned for this day of days, and a week of gaiety is anticipated for young and old.

On Monday evening next much interest centres around the Subscription Dance to be given in the rooms of the Ladies' Club the patronesses being Mrs. W. A. O. Morson, Mrs. R. B. Norton, Mrs. C. H. B. Longworth and Mrs. W. E. Hyndman.

Judge and Mrs. Stewart are spending Christmas in Moncton this year with Mrs. Stewart's sister Mrs. Jones.

Mrs. Cecil Stewart, who with her husband is spending the winter months in Charlottetown, guests at the Victoria, entertained at the afternoon Bridge Club most enjoyably yesterday.

Dr. Hertz of Amherst has for his guests this week Hon. Murdock and Mrs. McKinnon and Mrs. F. P. Taylor.

SUCCESSFUL ENTERTAINMENT.

A very enjoyable social and entertainment was given on Monday night last under the auspices of the Sea View Women's Institute and was a decided success notwithstanding the unrelentingly weather which prevailed all day.

The Women's Institutes were first organized in Ontario some 18 or 19 years ago and every year new sections are being claimed by them, until now there are already about twenty-two on the island and many others awaiting organization.

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BRITAIN'S OLD P. RIL

(From the New York Times.)

Although the last raid on Great Britain took place in 1793, when a small French force landed in Pembrokeshire and was captured, the possibility of raids has played an important part in its history.

In the earliest days England was natural prey of the Germanic tribes, the Norsemen and Danes. Raid followed raid and the English of today are the amalgamation of the peoples who overcame the Pre-Celtic.

When the parliamentary strife broke out there was no European power interested in fighting England, but after the execution of Charles I. his son, Prince Charles, was able to land in England with 16,000 men to attempt to overcome the Protector.

START OF THE ROYAL NAVY.

From this struggle really begins the history of the Royal Navy and it ended in the establishment of British supremacy, although it was marked by the most disastrous incident in all the annals of that service.

In 1869 the last successful invasion of England took place, William, Prince of Orange landed at Tor Bay and preceded at once to London. His coming was, however, in accordance with an arrangement with a large party in England and it was less significant of the weakness of England on the seas than was the success with which James II. the deposed king, invaded Ireland in the following year.

The Jacobite insurrection again showed that it was still practicable to land on British soil. In 1715 and 1745 two expeditions accomplished all that they were intended to do and in 1708 and 1719 it was the chances of the wind and weather which prevented two attempts from meeting with success.

With George II. England's power was strained to the limit. Even in the days of the first great Pitt it was impossible for him to keep Ireland free from a raid.

John Paul Jones in 1771 in the Ranger attacked the port of Whitehaven, on the northwest coast of England, spiked the guns and burned some of the shipping.

TWO SERIOUS ATTACKS.

During the French revolutionary wars the invasion of some part of the British Isles was one of the favorite projects of the French. The British fleet had, however, by this time established its supremacy, and only two of the attempts came to anything.

In the same year a small French force accomplished a landing in Pembrokeshire, but it is remembered chiefly through the resource of the local British commander. In the absence of regulars, local tradition says, he drew up on a ridge overlooking the harbor a number of Welsh women in red cloaks, and their martial appearance making the invaders believe that

a strong force of redcoats was at hand sent them hurrying back to their ships. Far more serious were the preparations made by Napoleon to invade England. In 1804 he formed the great camp of the Army of England at Boulogne and prepared a flotilla of flat-bottomed boats to carry his veterans across the Straits.

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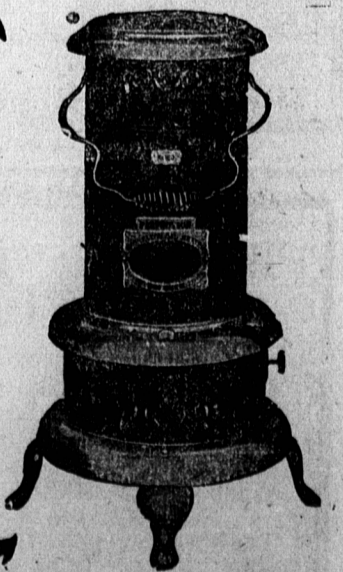
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