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CHRISTMAS 1905.

(By Rev. William Harrison.)

The Christmas memories so commanding and persistent are once more asserting their singular and indestructible charm. Over wider areas than ever this noble commemoration exerts its gracious and imperishable sway. Taking the largest vision of the past and the broadest outlook of the future there are ample grounds for assuming that a time will yet come when the whole illuminated world will unite in celebrating the advent of One whose name is Wonderful and whose influence upon the affairs of this earth has already grown to inconceivable dimensions.

Never was the great Christmas anniversary more widely appreciated or so deeply significant as at the present time. The historical reality and majesty of Jesus Christ becomes more and more distinct as the years increase, and as Emerson once declared that "the name of Jesus is not so much written as ploughed into the very history of the world." For His appearing, unexampled hopes and preparations had paved the way. Crimson banners from many a mountain height had spoken of the coming of the King. Sublime predictions, inspiring song, and uplifting promise had all voiced the immeasurable desire and need for the advent of the Redeemer and King.

Men speak of the foreshadowings of this Royal Personality in the Old Testament and in history as well. Surely here is something our earth has not witnessed on such a scale before or since. Even in Genesis the leaves are stirring and the very air seems to blow upon us from another world. You are thus early made to feel that something great and incomparably good is on its way. Now it is a sudden flash of light, now a transparent darkness. We are conscious of it in all the sacred literature of 1,500 years. Sometimes a voice of thunder, sometimes a voice of comfort. Do men hear the blast of a trumpet, miles and miles away, rising and falling like some sweet and tender music? It is the sign and signal of the King's approach. The annals and hopes of a nation and the yearnings and guesses of the world were moulded into one long, deathless anticipation of this new Personality, whose praise at last the universe shall fill.

Longfellow finely expressed this profound aspiration of mankind after one greater than itself: "What sound is it I hear Ascending through the dark? The tumultuous noise of nations Their rejoicings and lamentations, The groans of their despair, The cry of their imprecations Their wrath, their love, their hate? Surely the world did wait The coming of its Redeemer."

Nor was this hope and marvellous heralding in vain. In the fulness of the time He came and His coming made and fixed for ever the one great hour of time. Whatever our growing wisdom learns that is wonderful about the history of our planet, of the tremendous forces that have been at work upon its structures and the strange and splendid deeds that men have done upon its surface, this one event of the King's visit, this incarnation of the Divine, must forever stand out bright and high above everything else—the magnificent colossal exception to all that has gone before.

From this visit of the King our earth has received a distinction which places it high in the peerage of all great and noble realms and things just as in some old and famous palace where all kinds of life have passed along for generations, where splendid scenes have transpired, where processions of human beauty have come and gone and where all manner of striking deeds have marked the historic pile for centuries, there still shines out above all others one day when royalty was its guest. That was the red letter day in the annals of the grand old building and the chronicles of its history did not fail to record in fitting terms the advent and doings of that memorable visit of the King. So in all this world's varied and thrilling story there can be there is no time to compare with that when the Royalty of Heaven came here. The language of Pressel in his Life of Jesus, describes in eloquent words the temporary abode of this King of Kings: "Earth, thou grain of sand on the shore of the Universe of God; thou Bethlehem amongst the princely cities of the Heavens; thou art and remainest the Loved One amongst ten thousand sons and worlds, the Chosen of God!"

"There will He again visit and then thou wilt prepare a throne for Him as thou gavest Him a manger cradle; in His radiant glory wilt thou rejoice as thou didst once drink His blood and tears and mourn His death! On thee has the Lord a great work to complete."

THAT TELEPHONE.

As to the telephone for Georgetown station during the coming winter months, the general feeling among those who travel or ship freight is that it must be put in. Equally strong is the conviction that under the conditions of the winter service as they are every winter, the Government ought to pay the cost. Several persons from town and country have proposed that the requisite \$15 be raised by ten cent contributions.

So matters were down to yesterday when Principal L. B. Miller of the Charlottetown Business College generously offered to pay for placing the telephone at the expense of the College if the Railway authorities would consent. It is understood that this proposal was communicated to Superintendent Sharp, but with what result could not be learned last night. There seems little doubt that in one way or another the patrons of the Railway will have the benefit of the telephone, but the cost ought not to fall upon the generosity of a single public spirited citizen.

JAPAN'S NAVY AFTER THE WAR.

Japan's navy has been replenished since the war by two new battleships, and by five Russian warships of this class captured or raised from the bottom of the sea. Three Russian coast defence ships, one armoured cruiser and four protected cruisers, formerly Russian have also been added to the Japanese fleet. The net result is that after destroying or capturing the Russian Pacific fleet and the Russian Baltic fleet, either of which was stronger in ships, men and guns than the naval force of Japan before the war, the Japanese navy is now one half stronger than it was when the war began. And the gain has been largely in battleships. Of these Japan had six at the outset, lost two by mines, and has now eleven. In tonnage Japan's naval force is increased from 221,787 tons to 332,107 tons. She has now a stronger navy than Italy, and is only exceeded by Great Britain, France, Germany and the United States.

To one and all, A HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

We have cheerfully given editorial space to an article from Rev. William Harrison, who gives eloquent prominence to the religious aspects of Christmastide.

Many readers will peruse with interest and pleasure the article from Senator Ferguson on Christmas observance in past years which appears elsewhere in this issue.

Fifty years is a long period to serve in an official capacity, and this prolonged term in the case of the veteran F. W. Hughes, Assistant Clerk of the Legislature, has been filled with unquestionable ability and faithfulness. The Government has done well to recognise such long and faithful service by granting him an annuity, which we trust he may long be spared to enjoy.

The closing of our business colleges for the Christmas holidays serves to recall the excellent work these institutions are doing in preparing hundreds of young people for the active duties of life. Whatever may be said of education as provided in our common schools and colleges, the instruction and training in our business colleges is eminently practical and cannot be too strongly commended. The moderate cost of a B. C. course is about the best investment a young man or woman can make.

THE JOURNEY OF LIFE.

I know it is early morning, And hope is calling aloud, And your heart is adre with Youth's desire To hurry along with the crowd, But linger a bit by the roadside, And lend a hand by the way, 'Tis a curious fact that a generous act Brings leisure and luck to a day. I know it is only the noontime— There is chance enough to be kind; But the hours run fast when noon has passed, And the shadows are close behind, So think while the light is shining, And catch ere the set of the sun, For the sorriest woe that a soul can know Is to think what it might have done, I know it is almost evening, But the twilight hour is long, If you listen and heed each cry of need You can right full many a wrong, For when we have finished the journey We will all look back and say: "On life's long mile there was nothing worth while But the good we did by the way." BY ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

Call and get some of those nice dinner tea sets that are offered at a bargain. W. P. Colwill. 12-1d tw4fw. Fancy California navel oranges at Jno. Connolly & Co's. 23d11 They arrived late last evening.—Our sleigh runners for baby carriages have arrived at last. As we have only received a small shipment, come early if you want a pair.—John Newson. 21d 3f

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Wool door mats (English) .. 1.75 to 2.25
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Pants .. .50c to 1.50
Vests .. .50
Overalls .. 25c to .65

For the Men

- Tweed suits .. \$3.75 to \$12.00
Serge suits .. 6.00 to 12.00
Worsted suits .. 10.00 to 14.00
Worsted pants .. 2.50 to 3.75
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Blue and black Beaver over Coats .. 5.00 to 14.50
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