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The Sleigh-Runner's Trail

By ROSE DONAPARTE LARKIN

A little old man with a merry round face
Is mirror'd in mem'ry today;
And peering through portals of fancy I trace
The trail of his toy-laden sleigh.

He glides over housetops with reindeer in hand,
And halts at a chimney piece near;
And dear little children all over the land
Are blest with his presents each year.

Now where is the creature so hardened and base,
Who says HE's a myth and a tale?
I know such a monster can never efface,
The joy in the sleigh-runner's trail!

WHAT MANASSAS NEEDS

By CLARENCE W. WAGENER

VI.—WHAT MANASSAS NEEDS IN PUBLIC SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS—FINAL ARTICLE

Beginning with the "public utilities"—water, lights and sewerage—let us consider what Manassas needs in the way of public service improvements.

The source of our water supply, one well at the power house, takes care of our present needs, I am told. But how many more users could be accommodated? We can ill afford to have any portion of our population forced to make use of old, private wells for even a short length of time. The danger is too great.

Not only should we be looking forward to the day when a greater supply of water will be needed, but we should also be planning for further extensions of water mains within the corporate limits, as more houses go up and the demand grows for additional extensions. And the town's administration should encourage the use of municipal water, because it safeguards the health of the town's citizens.

Town Should Encourage Use of Electricity in Homes.
More street lights could be used now, but the need is not a pressing one. At present what we should be doing is thinking of how we are going to be able to make extensions that will be needed later on. The citizens of Manassas should be encouraged to make use of electricity in their homes. The town would do well to follow the example of many other towns in selling electrical appliances at a small margin of profit to induce the average housewife to use more current. If the power and light plant is now overloaded, it is high time that we get busy on plans for increasing the plant's capacity. If no increase can be made promptly, the town's administration should be working towards such an increase in the near future.

From time to time we will no doubt find it in the interests of health to make extensions of the sewerage mains. Plans should be formulated so that such extensions can be taken care of a little in advance, at least, of the actual need.

Users of water, electric power and light and sewerage are from time to time put to a totally un-called-for inconvenience in having one or more of these utilities cut off without a minute's warning. The town's administration should consider the interests of local citizens to the extent of adopting and making known a code of signals to be sounded by blast from the power house whenever one or more of the public utilities is or are about to be cut off for a period. A definite and distinct signal should also be arranged for sounding in case of fire, and this should be further differentiated to indicate the part of the town the fire is located in. You would not have to keep after a live town manager to get action on a proposal of this sort, which has been made before.

Manassas needs better streets and more concrete sidewalks. It needs to give more attention to those it now has. It needs better street crossings—crossings that one can use in muddy weather without risk of getting his or her shoes soaked with water and fringed with mud. These are present needs that we can scarcely hope to see fulfilled promptly; nevertheless, we should lose no time in trying to devise a way or ways to take care of these needs as soon as possible.

What Is the Trouble With Our Phone Service?

Are we satisfied with our local telephone service? The majority, I believe, are anything but satisfied. What is the trouble? It is not a bit too early for telephone users in Manassas to be told the facts. I do not know them, but somebody must. Is a new and more up-to-date switchboard needed? Are the majority of the office and home phones at fault? Is the company handicapped with poor management?

When the rates were materially increased on July 1 past, it was understood and hoped that better service would soon result. Some say it has grown worse. At any rate, from what I can learn, the average phone user is not going on record as having noted any improvement. The telephone company, while a privately owned corporation, is conducting a business of vital interest to the public, and, like all such businesses, this company owes the public an explanation when things are not up to scratch.

Set Up a Howl for That Overdue Post Office Building.

Manassas is at present handicapped in its little box of a post office. Are we satisfied with it? Do we feel it is all we are entitled to, when the government has already bought and paid for a good sized lot on which it was planned some time ago to erect a post office building in keeping with our needs? A baby soon learns that the way to get anything is to cry for it; why don't we set up a howl for that post office building that is coming to us? You can bet your boots that if we are contented to put up with the present toy affair at the corner of Centre and Battle streets, the post office department is not going to thrust a brand new building upon us. And the sooner we act in this the better—for reasons known to all.

Manassas is blessed with good train service. There is but one suggestion that I will make as a needed improvement in this particular—the adoption of the same passenger train service on the Washington-Harrison line on Sundays as now obtains on weekdays. There is not a station from Manassas to and including Harrisonburg that is not greatly inconvenienced by the lack of an east-bound passenger train on Sunday morning, and a west-bound one on Sunday evening. If every station interested, with Manassas and Harrisonburg taking the lead, were to keep right after the proper officials of the Southern Railway Company, I believe it would not be long before the passenger train service on the Washington-Harrison line would be the same on Sundays as on weekdays.

Drinking Water Badly Needed at Depot.

Our local passenger depot is a big improvement over the one we had a few years ago. However, there are two additional conveniences, if not more, that need to be installed. First, good, fresh drinking water, with a supply of paper cups, should be found at all

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The Season's Greetings

EVER MINDFUL OF OUR DEBT OF GRATITUDE
TO THE FRIENDS AND PATRONS OF THE
JOURNAL, WE EXTEND OUR BEST
WISHES FOR A

Merry Christmas

AND, MAY THE COMING YEAR BE ONE OF UN-
PRECEDENTED PROSPERITY AND HAPPI-
NESS TO YOU

EDITOR DIES IN PRIME OF LIFE

Brilliant Journalist Dies in Leesburg After Second Stroke of Apoplexy.

Henry Tazewell Harrison, owner and editor of the Loudoun Times, was stricken with apoplexy on the 17th of November last. His family and friends, fully realizing the seriousness of his malady, secured the best medical attention for him attainable; but notwithstanding this, his condition gradually became worse until on December 4th he suffered a second stroke. He died Friday, December 10th, at 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Harrison was born in Loudoun county, April 29, 1871. He was the son of the late Walter J. Harrison by his marriage with Miss Nannie Whiting Powell, of Alexandria. He was educated in the public schools of Leesburg and at the University of Virginia, where he took up the study of civil engineering. He spent much of his time, after leaving the University, in West Virginia, following his chosen profession.

In 1898 Mr. Harrison was married to Miss Florence Russell, of Hartford, Conn., who, together with his daughter, Lucy Gillette Harrison, survives him.

Subsequent to his marriage he moved to his estate on the outskirts of Leesburg and for a number of years his attention was given to the conduct of his large agricultural interests and to the pursuit of literature.

In 1916, he founded the Loudoun Times and until the day when illness fell upon him, he devoted the best of his energy and talent to that paper. The funeral services were conducted in St. James Episcopal Church, Leesburg, the Rev. Crosby Bell, D. D., of the Theological Seminary, officiating and the interment was in Union cemetery. The pallbearers were Governor Westmoreland Davis, Congressman E. Walton Moore, W. E. Hibbs, Dr. W. C. Orr, Alfred Szerega and Edwin E. Garrett.

The journalistic career of Henry Tazewell Harrison was a pronounced success. His editorials were widely read and most favorably commented upon, and his death creates a void in journalism in this state that will not be easily filled.

AUTOMOBILES IN COLLISION

Two Cars Come Together on the Millford Road in Fog.

Yesterday morning, while the fog hung thick and low over the roads in this vicinity, a car, driven by Mr. C. C. Lynn, collided with one driven by Mr. Samuel Hazley, jr., badly damaging both machines. The accident happened near Cannon's branch.

Mr. Hinegardner, of Midland, a nephew of Mr. S. C. Harley, was a passenger in one of the cars on his way to take the train for his home, when the collision occurred. He received several bruises and cuts about the face, one of which required the surgical attention of Dr. S. S. Simpson.

The other occupants of the cars escaped injury.

EVIDENCE INSUFFICIENT

At the trial of the case Saturday against Harvey Thorpe, on complaint of Willie Keys, it developed that Keys was rather uncertain as to some of the details in the charge, in consequence of which the Mayor gave Thorpe the benefit of the doubt, concluding that the testimony of Keys was insufficient. Keys and Thorpe, however, were both fined \$100 each, with costs, and the honor, for

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Sixty Dollars Will Take Care of a Child Through the Winter. (Rev. Westwood Hutchison)

Our county is asked to provide for fourteen children in Armenia that they may have a bowl of soup and clothes to protect them from the cold. Will you, who are well fed and clothed, help to care for these unfortunate fourteen children? Sixty dollars will take care of a child through the winter. January the 16th has been set by our state chairman, Mr. Oliver J. Sands, as the time to make the campaign for this work.

The following have been appointed as the organization for Prince William county:

Westwood Hutchison, chairman; J. J. Conner, treasurer; Rev. Jacob Halpenny, sub-chairman; Mrs. Emily C. Round, chairman, woman's division.

Associates in the work—A. C. Harley, M. J. Hottle, R. A. Rust, E. B. Gosson, Mrs. J. A. Hill, Rev. Homer Welch, Mrs. Edward Clark, Mimmieville; George Deardoff, W. F. Hale.

All funds collected for these children should be sent to Mr. J. J. Conner, who has been appointed treasurer for our county, and who will make a published statement through our county papers of all funds collected and forwarded to the state office.

Our Slogan: "They shall not perish."

DEATH OF WALTER W. HORE

Body Interred in Cemetery Here—A Brother to Mrs. M. H. Bowen.

(Contributed)

Died, at the home of Mrs. D. H. Oertley, in Washington, D. C., December 19, 1920, after a long and painful illness, which he bore with undaunted heroism and courage, Walter W. Hore.

The deceased was the eldest son of Dr. Walter Hore, of Stafford county, at one time surgeon in the United States Navy. He was a dutiful son, a loving brother and loyal friend. In all the varied relations of life his course was shaped by the beautiful spirit of the Golden Rule. His heart was ever open to the sorrows of others, and his hand ever ready to minister to the needy. His profession of faith in his Savior was so clear, so convincing and so sustaining that his devoted pastor, Dr. Millington, said: "It was to me a benediction." As the shadows lengthened round him he spoke most calmly of his approaching end, and looking at his minister, who sat beside him speaking words of affection, and comfort, with a smile he said, "I shall be looking for you." He called each member of the family—who had vied with each other in loving ministrations, and begged each one so to live as to meet him in the home beyond. To his devoted sister, who had nursed him for months, he said: "My dear, loving, faithful sister, good-bye—be brave—I want you to forgive those who have been so unjust to you. Sister, we must forgive, or we can not rest 'up yonder'—Good-bye." And clothed with this divine spirit he swept through the gates of death's agony into the presence of Him who said to the sorrowing ones at Bethany, "Thy brother shall rise again."

"In that great cloister's stillness and seclusion,
By guardian angels led;
Safe from temptation, safe from sin's
poison,
He lives whom we call dead."

The funeral services of Mr. Hore were conducted at the home of Mrs. Oertley in Washington, the Rev. H. W. Millington of that city officiating. The body was brought to Manassas on Wednesday and interred in the cemetery here.

The deceased was a brother to the late Cassius Hore, M. D., at one time a prominent physician of this county. He was a brother to Mrs. M. H. Bowen, formerly of Brentsville and an uncle of Mrs. D. H. Oertley, who was Miss

Editor.]

PASSING OF LIFE-LONG RESIDENT OF COUNTY

Mrs. Julia Fair Chappell Dies at Ripe Old Age—Had Been in Good Health.

(Communicated)
Mrs. Julia Fair Chappell died at the home of her son Wallace Chappell, on Sunday morning, December 19, aged seventy-five years.

Mrs. Chappell was apparently as well as ever on Saturday night before retiring, but on Sunday morning, she became suddenly ill, and death resulted in a few hours, being due to heart failure.

She had been a resident of Canova neighborhood all her life, and won the love of many, both young and old, who were ever gladdened by her kind smile.

For many years she had been a faithful member of Woodbine Church, from which place she was buried.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday evening by the Rev. T. D. D. Clark, assisted by the Rev. J. A. Golibew. The pallbearers were Messrs. T. M. Russell, W. E. Posey, W. E. Cornwell, E. S. Wheaton, L. T. Sullivan and Thomas Brawner.

She leaves to mourn her departure two children, Mr. Wallace Chappell, and Mrs. Minnie Bradford, both of Canova vicinity; one sister, Mrs. E. S. Cornwell, and seven grandchildren and a host of friends.

The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved family.

THREE IN ONE CELEBRATION

At the Home of Mr. and Mrs. Simson Long Near Independent Hill.

(Communicated)
Neighbors, friends and children came together at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Long on December 14th to assist in the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. At the same time Mr. Long observed his 72nd birthday and Mrs. Mary Hill, a near neighbor and friend, observed her 57th.

The presentation of five gold pieces and other articles of gold, given by the children and admiring friends, was made by Rev. J. A. Golibew, pastor of Woodbine and other Baptist churches. The couple stood in the center of a big circle of guests in the yard, all joining hands around them and the minister while the presentation speech was made. The camera man up a nearby tree took possession of the scene.

Among the guests of the day were the following: Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Long, of Richmond; Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle, of Washington; Mrs. E. L. Hering and her daughter, Miss Dora; Miss Ollie Long, of Washington; M. and Mrs. J. A. Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan; Mr. and Mrs. Will Keys; Mrs. Herbert Keys and children; Mrs. Ashby, Edward Keys, Rev. J. A. Golibew and others.

The dinner, prepared by Mrs. Long, assisted by the children and friends, was a most excellent one. Roast turkey, chicken, ham and all that goes therewith; nuts and fruits, ice cream and cake, made everyone forget about the high cost of living, while we just lost ourselves in the rejoicing of the day.

We wish them many happy days to come. May we offer our congratulations to Mrs. Hill on her fifty-seventh birthday, while Mr. Long is receiving double honor on his seventy-second birthday and the anniversary of his golden wedding.

NEW PLUMBING FIRM

Mr. A. L. Pence has purchased an interest in the plumbing and electrical business formerly run by Mr. C. H. Wine. Extensive improvements are

FINE PROGRAM AT HIGH SCHOOL

Given Last Tuesday Afternoon When Manassas High School Closed for the Holidays.

(Communicated)
Christmas candles, holly and pine lent an added charm to the beautiful Christmas program given at the High School last Tuesday afternoon, when school closed for the holidays.

Just before the close of the program, Miss Osbourn spoke a few words of warm appreciation of the faithful and efficient service so long given the high school by Mrs. Hodge and a rising wave of appreciation was then made by the student body.

Superintendent McDonald next made a short address in which he spoke of his pleasure in the program just given—the beautiful and reverent Christmas program which has become one of the most cherished traditions of the high school. He reminded the boys and girls that the spirit of Christmas time was one of love and service to all mankind and that in the midst of their own happiness they must try to remember the less fortunate, not only in their own community, but the Armenians or other sufferers in foreign lands. He closed with a fine tribute to the spirit of service shown by all the high school teachers as well as by Mrs. Hodge in her years of work in the Manassas schools. The program follows:

Christmas Program.

1. Prayer—Supt. McDonald.
 2. Chorus—"Come All Ye Faithful." Chorus—"Adeste Fideles."
 3. Reading from St. Matthew—Letha, Miss Annabell Merrill; English, Miss Catherine Weir.
 4. Solo—"A Song in the Air," (Music by Mrs. Hodge)—Mrs. C. Lay Hodge.
 5. Chorus—"Holy Night."
 6. "The Three Kings," from "Golden Legend"—Wilbur Bessinger.
 7. "The Three Kings," Longfellow—Miss Rosa Rice.
 8. Chorus—"We Three Kings of the Orient Are."
 9. "Legend of Babruca," a Russian Folk Story—Neal Lynn.
 10. "A Christmas Legend"—Miss Annie Creal.
 11. Solo, "A Song in the Air"—Miss Sara Leachman.
 12. Chorus, "Joy to the World."
 13. "Christmas in the Alley." Olive Thorne Miller—Miss Elizabeth Page.
 14. "It Was Night Before Christmas." Miss Christine Moser.
 15. Appreciation of Mrs. Hodge—Miss Osbourn.
 16. Address—Supt. McDonald.
- Special Christmas programs were given by several of the classes in both the high and graded schools, an extensive celebration including a beautiful tree being held by the first three primary grades.

DEATH OF L. E. FERRELL

Intelligence reached here yesterday of the death, at Sanatorium, N. C., of Mr. L. E. Ferrell on Wednesday, from tuberculosis.

Mr. Ferrell will be remembered as the agent of the Singer Sewing Machine Co., a number of years ago. While residing here he was married to Miss Addie Davis, eldest daughter of the late A. P. Davis, and a sister of Mrs. Guy G. Allen.

Mr. Ferrell is survived by his widow and two children—a son and daughter, who have been in the care of Mrs. Allen for a few months preceding his death.

—Mrs. B. Lynn Kober
Day to Visit Old Locals

HAYMARKET

Mr. John Lyon, of Washington, spent the holidays with his family here. Mrs. Charles Rector has so far recovered from her recent illness that she has returned to her home here. Mr. F. M. Osborne spent Christmas here with his daughter, Helen and son Haynes, as a guest at S. R. Blight's, where Miss Helen resides. The high school closed Wednesday at noon for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The post office will observe the usual holiday hours Christmas. The mail this season has been heavier than at any time before and many packages were sent and received. Mr. Otis Latham spent the day in Manassas Wednesday. Mrs. Irene Dodge, who has been the guest of her aunt, Miss Ruth Hulfish, has gone to Alexandria for a few days visit with friends and relatives before returning to her home near Richmond. Mrs. Charles Brady, who has been very ill, is improving. Mrs. Daisy G. Douglas, postmistress of Thoroughfare, called on friends here Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Demory, of Fairfax, motored from that place to Haymarket and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Demory. Mrs. Sallie Carruthers and daughter, of Hickory Grove, are entertaining guests from Vienna during the holidays. Mr. C. W. Gochenaur, of Baltimore, was a business caller here Tuesday. Mrs. Strother D. Pierson, of Washington, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Brady. Mrs. Pierson will be remembered by her many friends as Miss Alma Brady. Miss Neeta Shumate has closed her school at Thoroughfare for the holidays. Mr. Everett Thomasson, one of the clerks at the Southern Railway station, left Thursday morning for Baltimore for a visit with relatives until New Year's. His father, Mr. E. R. Thomasson, accompanied him as far as Washington. Mrs. C. Parsons Rector of the University College of Medicine, Richmond, will be the guest of his parents and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rector, Miss Nellie and Keena, until the beginning of the year. Ned Harris, the janitor at the school here, was handsomely rewarded at the recent school entertainment for his faithful and efficient services. "Uncle" Homer Berry is reported much improved.

BRENTSVILLE

The Union Sunday School will have their Christmas tree and exercises on next Tuesday evening at seven o'clock. Everyone is welcome. Messrs. Hugh Bell and J. W. Hedrick, of Washington, spent the weekend at their homes here. Miss Viola Donovan is visiting her brother, Mr. John Donovan and family. Mrs. Paul Cooksey and her sister,

Miss Hazel Young, were in Washington stopping the first of this week. Miss Emily Cornwell, of Mt. St. Alban, D. C., is spending the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. T. H. Cooksey. Miss Alice Manuel was a recent Washington visitor. Messrs. Henry Purcell and French Simpson, of Hoadly, made a flying trip to Brentsville last Sunday.

BETHEL

Rev. J. M. Bell will fill his regular appointment at Bethel Sunday, the 26th, at 11 a. m. All are urged to come out and hear a good sermon. Miss Mildred Herrall spent last week-end at her home in Manassas, accompanied by Miss Eva Kidwell. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sheppard motored to Washington Wednesday to visit Santa-Claus stores. Miss Josie Weaver will spend the holidays at her home in Brunswick county. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young, of Washington, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Snapp. Mr. Thomas Sheppard, sr., was in Washington Tuesday on business.

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Take the word of a user and get a bottle of The Reese Formula R-11 today. It will relieve you if you suffer from rheumatism, headache, nervousness, indigestion, backache, sleeplessness, or stomach, liver or kidney disorders of any kind. Don't put it off. It's not an experiment, but an opportunity to tone up your whole system and get rid of all the impurities from the blood and entire body. For sale at all leading druggists everywhere, including Cocks' Pharmacy, Manassas, Va.—Advertisement.

Annual Stockholders' Meeting! To the Stockholders of the National Bank of Manassas: Please take notice that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the National Bank of Manassas, Manassas, Va., will be held at its banking house in the town of Manassas, Va., on Tuesday, January 11, 1921, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting. HARRY P. DAVIS, Cashier. December 10, 1920. 21-4

Annual Stockholders' Meeting! To the Stockholders of Peoples National Bank of Manassas: Please take notice that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Peoples National Bank of Manassas will be held at its banking house, in the town of Manassas, Va., on Tuesday, January 11, 1921, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. G. RAYMOND RATCLIFFE, Cashier. December 10, 1920.

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Notice is hereby given that bids will be received at ten o'clock a. m. on Tuesday, December 28, 1920, at Occoquan, Virginia, by the Mayor of said Town at his office therein for an electric power and light franchise in said Town for a period of thirty years, with the right to do all things necessary in the construction, operation and maintenance of said electric power and light plant, the said Town reserving the right to reject any and all bids, as per an ordinance passed by said Town. 22-4 COUNCIL OF OCCOQUAN.

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Table listing clothing items and prices: Men's \$60 and \$65 Suits Reduced to \$45.00, 55, 45, 40 and 43, 37.50, 30 and 35, Boys' 22, 18.50, 17, 15, 12, 10.

These suits are all well tailored, the majority of the men's suits were made by Kirschbaum, of Philadelphia, and Schloss Bros., of Baltimore. We are also offering the same reduction on OVERCOATS. Just received a large assortment of Men's O. D. Pants, Price, \$4.50.

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YULETIDE

Some say, that ever 'gainst that season comes
Wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated,
This bird of warning singeth all night long:
And then no spirit dares stir abroad;
The nights are wholesome: then no planets strike,
No fairy takes, nor witch hath power to charm,
So hallow'd and so gracious is the time.

—Shakespeare.

All of us are doubtless familiar with the superstitious beliefs such as Shakespeare speaks of here, and also, many others which have been the heritage of each generation from the preceding one, but the origin of certain customs peculiarly connected with the celebration of Christmas by our people is not so clear.

It is said, that three great festivals were annually held by the ancient Gothic peoples, occupying northern Europe, the most magnificent of which was that celebrated at the winter solstice in honor of Thor, "the prince of the power of the air." It was commemorative of the creation, for, being the longest night in the year, they assigned to it the formation of the world from primeval darkness, and called it Mother-Night. This was denominated Yule, and was a season of universal festivity.

When Christianity was first promulgated in the northern nations, the missionaries found the inhabitants unwilling to relinquish this annual rejoicing; the festival was, therefore, denominated Christmas. On the eve of the first day, fires of wood blazed throughout the whole extent of northern Europe; hence the origin of the Yule-log. The peace offerings dedicated to Thor at this season, were cakes of flour sweetened with honey; hence the Yule-cakes. Subjects at this festival presented their annual gifts or benevolences to their sovereign; hence Christmas gifts, etc. The candles of the Sun were said to illuminate the northern dwellings on the night before Yule; and hence arose the custom of burning large candles at this solemnity; for it boded ill luck to the family for the succeeding year if a second candle were lighted; whence the Yule-candles.

So much for the alleged origin of some of our customs in connection with the celebration of the birth of Jesus of Nazareth, and for the selection of this time to commemorate the event. We do know, however, that since the advent of christianity, this has ever been a season of great rejoicing and of solemn festivity by all the peoples of christendom.

There are some sects among us who do not give recognition to the divine origin of Jesus; some who may deny the Trinity of the Godhead, but all may unite in the celebration of the anniversary of the birth of One whose life was without reproach and whose humanity was without question.

"I see it, although it is not now; I behold it, although it is not nigh. A star will arise in whose soft brilliancy I'll shine forth all great and redeeming truths. Freedom and humanity, justice and love; to strive for these in life's warfare, to love them in holiness."

SERIES OF ARTICLES ENDS

With this issue, the series of articles under the caption, "What Manassas Needs," by Mr. Clarence W. Wagner, comes to an end. These articles have been highly commended by many of our citizens and we venture to assert that if nothing for the good of the town shall be accomplished by the timely suggestions of Mr. Wagner, it will not be because he has not pointed out many things which would lead to community improvement and we hope a much needed co-operation on the part of our citizens may lead to valuable results.

The columns of The Journal are open to suggestions along lines of civic improvement and it is hoped that some of our people may avail themselves of this opportunity for the expression of their views.

TO OUR MERCHANTS

The Journal heartily congratulates the merchants of Manassas on the holiday appearance of their stores. The beautiful decorations of some of them surprise any that it has been our pleasure to see here at any previous Christmas season. Greetings to you!

LAUGH AND LIVE

Selected Another One
B. H. writes the "Bright Sayings of Children" department of the Chicago Tribune:

Our aunt was extremely fond of her shepherd dog and missed him so much when he died that she adopted a little puppy. The next day Artie went over to visit her, and when he came home he announced: "Aunt Emma was so lonesome for Shep that she's started another dog."

How to Get an Umbrella.
"That's a swell umbrella you carry."
"Isn't it?"
"Did you come by it honestly?"
"I haven't quite figured it out. It started to rain the other day and I stepped into a doorway to wait till it stopped. Then I saw a young fellow coming along with a nice large umbrella, and I thought if he was going as far as my house I would beg the shelter of his umbershoot. So I stepped out and asked: 'Where are you going with that umbrella, young fellow?' and he dropped the umbrella and ran."

The Blood of England.
When Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii was in England during Queen Victoria's jubilee she was received at Buckingham Palace.

In the course of the remarks that passed between the two queens the one from the Sandwich Islands said that she had English blood in her veins.
"How so?" inquired Victoria.
"My ancestors ate Captain Cook."

Ah, Me!
Imagine the scene: A big comfortable chair, a beautiful girl snuggled down in it, her head leaned back so that she is looking up into the face of the man who is bending so attentively over her.

Now he reaches his arm around her. Her head is pressed against his heart. Speech at this time would be impossible.

Listen. We hear her struggled whisper: "Oh, dear, you hurt." In a low earnest voice he says: "Well, I simply cannot help hurting you a little bit. You don't mind that, do you?"

Again we hear only silence. They seem perfectly contented.

It is not long, however, that they remain in this position. He does not seem content with what he can see of her face.

Her eyes are violet gray. He bends farther over so that he can see into—well—see into her mouth.

Because, of course, it is the dentist repairing her teeth.

A Boy Can't Understand Why.
His teacher sees the humor in the stories she reads in books—which according to his way of thinking aren't funny after all—but fails to get the point when he puts a bent pin on the seat next to him.

He should be expected to interrupt such a perfectly delightful thing as swimming for such an every-day affair as supper.

Dad can get his hair cut to suit himself, but a boy must get his cut to suit his mother.

God made so many fancy curves and curlicues on his ears. They would be so much easier to wash if they had less fancywork.

The whole family thinks it a joke if baby gets blackberry jam on her face, but considers it a serious matter if he drops some on the tablecloth.

No One Left to Suspect.
The town council of a small Scotch community met to inspect a site for a new hall. They assembled at a chapel, and, as it was a warm day, a member suggested that they should leave their coats there.

"Someone can stay behind and watch them," suggested another.
"What for?" demanded a third. "If we are all going out together, what need is there for anyone to watch the clothes?"

Just About.
"A church fight," said Jones, "is just like a dog fight in a garden."
"How's that?" asked Smith.
"Why," answered Jones, "nothing is settled but the garden."

Joseph Knew.
A teacher in a primary grade was using her most ingratiating manner to make the subject of physical geography attractive to her pupils.

"Now, can anyone tell me what shape the world is?" she pursued her Socratic method.

Joseph arose rapidly as his hand unfurled to the summons.
"Please, ma'am," he said, "my father says it's in a ball of a shape."
New York Evening Post.

He Could Use It.
"A man should give his wife something for Christmas that she wouldn't buy herself."
"That's my idea."
"What have you selected?"
"A shotgun."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Shirlock Holmes.
"Well, wife, how do you like your new electric iron?"
"It's a wonderful device. I have been using it all day and it irons beautifully."
"That is wonderful. The electricity was turned off today."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

—Prof. Mosher is the guest of Mrs. Cole and Miss Rixey.

—Mr. C. M. Brown, of Gainesville, left recently for Pasadena, Calif.

—Mr. Martin D. Lynch made a business trip to Warrenton Monday.

—Mrs. R. E. Whitmore is the guest of her mother, Mrs. A. E. Spies.

—Miss Lucy Larkin was the week-end guest of Miss Muriel Larkin.

—Mrs. A. W. Sinclair, who has been ill for the past week is improving.

—Mr. J. P. Leachman has returned from a business trip to West Virginia.

—Miss Alma Lunsford is spending the holidays with friends at Occoquan.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Utterback were Washington visitors on Wednesday.

—Dr. W. F. Merchant and his son Jack have recovered from their recent illness.

—Mrs. V. V. Gilum is visiting her old home in the southwestern part of the state.

—Miss Louise Biggs, of Washington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry Cornwell.

—Mr. M. Bruce Whitmore spent several days during the week in Staunton.

—Mr. Charles R. Larkin is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Larkin.

—Mrs. C. G. Griffith, of Washington, visited her sister, Mrs. D. R. Lewis Wednesday.

—Miss Ruth Brown, of Gainesville, has accepted a position at Baylor College, Belton, Texas.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Didlake are spending the holidays at the home of Mr. Didlake's parents.

—Miss Lily D. Evans left for her home in Scottsville yesterday to spend the Christmas vacation.

—Miss Elizabeth P. Smith, sister of Mrs. G. C. Hinson, is visiting relatives and friends in Philadelphia.

—Mr. W. J. Adamson and some Messrs. Joplin and George are at their home for the holidays.

—Special Christmas services will be held in the M. E. Church, South, Saturday morning at 7 o'clock.

—Mrs. C. M. Brown and Mrs. J. W. Caton, both of Gainesville, were shopping in Manassas Wednesday.

—Mr. Warren Coleman arrived yesterday from Lexington, where he is attending school at the V. M. I.

—Messrs. Paul and Cundiff Williams are spending their holiday vacation at the home of their parents.

—Mrs. John Gibson, mother of Mrs. R. S. Hyason, left for her home in Upperville, Thursday after a visit here.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adamson and little son arrived Saturday. They will remain here during the holidays.

—Mr. R. L. Boyle, who has been visiting his uncle, Mr. R. L. Gaither, returned to his home in New York Sunday.

—Mr. Wallace P. Whitmore is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bruce Whitmore.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Willis Meets are holiday guests at the home of Mr. Meets's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Meets.

—Miss Muriel Larkin left Wednesday for Washington, where she will be entertained by relatives during the holidays.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Ballanger and little son, Jack, of Alexandria, are holiday guests at the home of Mrs. G. G. Allen.

—Miss Emily Bond has returned to her home for Christmas from Harrisonburg, where she is a student in the Normal School.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Saunders and children left yesterday for Bellevue, Ohio, to spend the holidays with relatives of Mrs. Saunders.

—Mrs. L. E. Williams has returned to her home from Washington, after having been under treatment in that city for a fractured arm.

—Miss Dorothy Johnson, who has recovered from a recent illness is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson.

—There will be a basket ball game between the High School Alumni and the present High School teams, in the Eastern Gymnasium at 7:30 tonight.

—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Hume and Miss Macon Broadus, of Washington, are expected to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Broadus.

—The Christmas offering in Trinity Episcopal Church will be devoted to the work of the Near East Relief which is aiding the starving children in Armenia and Syria.

—Miss Evelyn Kincheloe, having finished the three months term in nursing at the University College, will now enter upon the regular three years training course.

—The Baptist Sunday School will hold a Christmas entertainment Thursday, December 30 at 7:30 o'clock. An excellent program will be rendered and the public is cordially invited.

—Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Hayes and little daughters, Charlotte and Marden, of Pendleton, Louisa county, passed through Manassas yesterday en route to Marshall, to spend the holidays with Mrs. R. C. German.

—An oyster supper and dance will be given in the hall at Brentsville, Wednesday, December 29, beginning at 6 p. m. under the auspices of the Royal Neighbors of America. The public is cordially invited to attend.

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CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT AT MILL PARK SCHOOL

The Mill Park school closed for the Christmas holidays on December 21. Mrs. C. F. Sinclair, together, arranged a beautiful program for the occasion. There were a good many present, including the patrons of the school.

The program was as follows:
Song (Christmas time)—By the school.

Christmas Day—Cecelia Mountjoy.
Christmas Telephone—Cynthia Leonard.

Song—Three Girls.
A Stitch in Time—Preston Leonard.

Christmas Morning—Marie Lann.
Christmas in the Heart—Ruth Polen.

A Christmas Quiz—Mary Callis.
Christmas Plot (a play)—Lawrence Beley, Francis Leonard, Virginia Lann, Norman Leonard, Gordon Pickett and Elliot Downs.

Song, "Holy Night"—By the entire school.

The most beautiful part of the program was a trio—"While Shepherds Watch Their Flocks by Night," by Misses Marie Lann, Cecelia Mountjoy and Lillian Downs.

The school room and Christmas tree were beautifully decorated with ferns and cedars.

After the program, the two Santa Clauses distributed the many presents to the children and the teacher.

The patrons of the school were highly pleased with the program made by the children and congratulated the teacher on her work.

BUCKHALL

There will be an entertainment at the Methodist Church here Christmas Eve, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Messrs. Anton Lund and F. J. Chandler were in Alexandria and Washington last Wednesday.

Mr. Vance Chandler returned from Richmond Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Raymond, of Newport, N. J., are visiting Mr. Raymond's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gue and son, Ferris, of Manassas, and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Winslow spent Sunday at the Chandler home.

Mrs. McDonald, of Culpeper, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Jasper.

Messrs. F. J. Chandler and W. B. Winslow drove to Independent Hill last Monday and brought back two heads of the latter's belongings.

Mr. W. B. Winslow attended a ministerial meeting of the M. E. Church, South, at Alexandria, last Wednesday.

Mrs. Chandler was shopping in the city last Saturday.

Mr. Hilkey Speake, and wife, of Herndon, are expected to spend the holidays with Mr. Speake's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Speake.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the publishers of The Journal.

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MINNIEVILLE

A brief flurry of snow fell here Thursday afternoon and for a while it appeared that we were going to have real winter, but the sky cleared during the night and next day was a spring day.

Miss Elgie Windsor has gone to Washington where she has accepted a position.

Messrs. P. E. and J. T. Clarke sold and delivered in Alexandria on Monday three fine cows.

Mr. Grover and Mr. Greenwood, of Alexandria, were in Minnieville on business recently.

The first holiday entertainment was held at Smithfield school Tuesday night. A few of the boys and girls attended.

Mr. Charles Windsor is assisting Mr. R. C. Ennis in his store this week. Mrs. Clarke had as her guests Sunday Mrs. Estelle Boatwright and son, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Clarke and daughter, Mr. D. C. Alexander and Mr. B. S. Kidwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Curtis and little daughter, Maggie, motored to Occoquan on business Monday.

FORESTBURG

The people are looking forward to Christmas and the children are waiting patiently for Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Abel and daughter, Mrs. Linsky; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Fick and daughter, Dorice, visited at the home of Mrs. Belle Dunn Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Randall and Mr. Sigbee Keys, of Quantico, called at the home of Mrs. J. E. Tapcott Monday evening.

Mrs. E. H. Williams, Mrs. J. E. Tapcott, Miss E. Tapcott and Mr. W. C. Williams were in Fredericksburg Saturday shopping.

The left arm of Miss Arzullah Dunn was seriously injured recently by a fall.

There will be a Christmas tree at Forest Hill M. E. Church, Christmas day, at 2:30. We hope to see a large attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dunn and son, Alvin, and Mr. S. L. Keys visited Mr. Dunn's mother, Mrs. Belle Dunn, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. King and daughter, Marie, were in Quantico on business Saturday evening.

Joint Conference and Institute.

The Joint Conference and Institute will convene at the Manassas Industrial School, Wednesday and Thursday, December 29 and 30. An entertaining and instructive program has been arranged.

There will be a morning, afternoon and evening session on Wednesday, and a morning and afternoon session on Thursday.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

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Reduced Prices

10c Snuff	9c
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10c Cigarettes	9c
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9c Milk	7c
Six Cans Baking Powder	25c
Tomatoes	15c
Corn	15c
Sweet Potatoes	15c
20c Peas	20c
16c Lima Beans	13c
15c Herring, two for	25c
20c Salmon	17c; two cans 32c
15c Soups, two for	25c
50c Pineapple	40c
16c Beans	13c
15c Oats, two for	25c
Quart Can of Syrup	22c
Half Gallon Syrup	45c
Sorghum, gallon	\$1.00
Barrel Syrup, gallon	95c
Arbuckle's Coffee	28c
Golden Drip Coffee	32c
White House Coffee	39c

Wilkins' Coffee	26c
Good Cheer Coffee	15c
Best Green Tea, pound	80c
Best Candies, pound	15c, 25c, 30c to 75c
Mixed Nuts	30c
Tub Mackerel, pound	8c
Potomac Herring, barrel	\$10.00
Supreme Motor Oil, gallon	75c
Gasoline, gallon	30c
Transmission Grease, five pounds	85c
\$6.50 Shoes	\$5.75
\$4.15 Shoes	\$3.50
\$5.00 Shoes	\$4.40

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Tuesday, December 28

Eugene O'Brien in "Sealed Hearts"

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Thursday, December 30

"EYES OF THE HEART"

Featuring Mary Miles Minter. The story of a girl whose eyes played her false, but whose heart played her true. Admission, 11c-17c.

Friday, December 31

Bebe Daniels in "You Never Can Tell"

From the Saturday Evening Post's story of a girl who wanted to be bad, but found it pleasanter to be good. Admission, 11c-22c.

Saturday, January 1

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DEATH AT ORLANDO

Mrs. Mollie Ennis, wife of Nelson Ennis, died at her home near Orlando, Saturday afternoon, in the forty-third year of her age, after an illness of a week.

Besides her husband, she is survived by eight children, two sisters and two brothers.

The body of Mrs. Ennis was interred in the family burying ground near Orlando.

News has been received here of the illness of Capt. S. E. Donohoe, a former state senator from this district. Capt. Donohoe's condition is reported serious, but his physician advises that there is no immediate cause for alarm.

Invitations have been extended to a dance to be given by the Manassas Dance Club on Tuesday, December 28, from 9 p. m. to 1:30 a. m., under the chaperonage of Mrs. T. E. Haines, Mrs. W. H. W. Moran and Mrs. L. E. Pope. Cole's orchestra from Washington will be in attendance.

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LUTHERAN

Bethel Lutheran Church, Rev. Edgar Z. Pence, pastor.
Sunday School at 10 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m.
Christmas services Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Nokesville Lutheran Church—Sunday School at 1:45 p. m. Preaching at 2:45 p. m.

CATHOLIC

All Saints' Catholic Church, Manassas, Father William Gill, pastor.
Mass at 7:30 a. m., first, third and fifth Sundays. Second and fourth Sundays at 10:30 a. m., followed by benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. On the first Sunday of every month special devotion in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

METHODIST

M. E. Church, South, Rev. William Stevens, pastor.
Manassas—Sunday School at 9:45. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8:00 p. m.

Preaching first and third Sundays at Bradley at 3 p. m.

Preaching at Buckhall second and fourth Sundays at 3 p. m.

Myworth League at 6:30 p. m.

Topic, "Some Christmas Hymns." Leader, Miss Sara Donohoe.

Sunday Charge.

The appointments of Rev. Homer Welsh follow:

Sunday—First, second and fourth Sundays, 11 a. m.

Guineville—First Sunday, 3 p. m. Third Sunday, 11 a. m.

Fairview—Second and fourth Sundays, 3 p. m.

Woodlawn—Third Sunday, 3 p. m.

EPISCOPAL

Trinity Episcopal Church, Rev. A. Stuart Gibson, Rector.

Sunday School at 10 o'clock a. m.

Service first, second and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m.; every Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

St. Ann's Memorial Chapel, Nokesville. Service first Sunday at 3 p. m.; third Sunday at 11 a. m.

BAPTIST

Manassas Baptist Church, Rev. T. O. D. Clark, pastor.

Sunday—Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; morning service, 11 o'clock; B. Y. P. U., 6:45; evening service at 7:30.

Wednesday—Prayer meeting at 7:30 p. m.

Rev. Barnett Grimsley's Appointments

Hatcher's Memorial, second Sunday, 3 p. m.; fourth Sunday, 8 p. m.

Broad Run, second and fourth Sunday, 11 a. m.

Mt. Holly, third Sunday, 11 a. m., and Saturday preceding.

Summerduck, first Sunday, 11 a. m., and Saturday preceding.

Rev. J. A. Golliver's Appointments

Preaching services at the Woodbine and associated Baptist Churches, Rev. J. A. Golliver, pastor:

Woodbine—Every second Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Young People's meeting every Sunday at 3 p. m. except on preaching day. Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 8 p. m.

Bellehaven—Every first Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

New Hope—Every third Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Rev. E. E. Blouck, pastor; Rev. J. M. Kline, assistant.

Cannon Branch—Sunday School at 10 a. m.

Preaching first and third Sundays at 11 a. m.

Christian Workers at 3 p. m.

Bradley—Sunday School at 10 a. m.

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WHAT MANASSAS NEEDS

(Continued from Page One)

times in both the white and colored waiting rooms. Second, bulletin boards giving information on expected train arrivals should be kept posted in both the waiting rooms as well as outside in front.

It is a reflection on Manassas that a stranger waiting between trains can find no drinking water at the depot. The town's administration should lose no time in requiring the Southern Railway Company to correct this lack of a necessity. Do you suppose that a good town manager would ever sanction such negligence on the part of a locally-operating corporation that is required by law to look after the comforts of its patrons?

Inside Bulletin Boards at Depot Would Help.

On cold, windy days in front of the passenger depot is no warm place. It should not be necessary for patrons of the railroad to go back and forth to an outside bulletin board to note the time a delayed train is expected to arrive. This information should be posted on the inside of each waiting room as well. As I understand it, the town authorities can cause the Southern Railway Company to take care of such a need as this by the enactment of proper ordinance.

So much for needed public service improvements. Now a few words as to what the town's administration should do to "sell" itself to the citizens of the town.

People never know a thing until they are told about it, or they ferret it out for themselves. If you want folks to know about a thing and know about it correctly, you must see that they get their information from the right source. We must not forget that the average individual bases his opinion on what he hears, not on what he takes the trouble to confirm.

Local Papers Are Administration's Best Assistants.

The town's administration should keep the citizens fully informed as to all matters of public interest—not reluctantly, but gladly. The local papers should be looked upon as the administration's best assistants in keeping the people of Manassas "sold" on the work that is being done. It should not be necessary for the local papers to beg news items from town officials and waste a great deal of time in running these officials down in order to confirm current reports.

Frank publicity is needed in the municipal affairs of Manassas. The people of the town do themselves an injustice by not demanding it. When things are not going right nothing is gained by the adoption of a "soft pedal" policy on the part of the town's administration. The people of this town are entitled to the facts all the time; they can get them whenever they want them in real earnestness. When things are going well with the town, the townspeople should be told the good news in such a way that they will take added pride in Manassas.

Advertise Manassas to Passengers on Trains.

The town's administration should let no opportunity slip by where the town can be "sold" to outsiders. For instance, right now the town—not a few citizens on their initiative, or a civic league, or similar organization—should erect at least one big sign board on each side of the railroad in Manassas. These boards should be painted attractively; they should be lighted from dark until about nine o'clock in the evening, and they should present concise information that would give the passers-by on trains the name of the town, its population and its chief advantages. It is hard to calculate what an asset just two such boards would be to Manassas.

A town manager worthy of the name would look upon his job as a splendid opportunity to develop a community consciousness, a community responsibility and a community ambition. He would not fail to apply all the tested and tried recipes that experience has proven to be efficacious in "selling" a people on existing conditions, on what should be done, and on what would be possible of accomplishment.

A Better Manassas If Really Worked For.

This closes the series of articles on "What Manassas Needs," as I see it. By no means do I feel that the subject has been exhausted; and yet I believe the salient needs of the town have been given consideration. It is my honest opinion that we could come into the possession of each of these needs, if we would but really work for them.

If we want to go ahead; if we want Manassas to be something approximating what it should be, we must make up our minds that "good enough" will not do, and that henceforth we will not be content with a half-way, run-down-at-the-heel town.

The job awaiting us is a big one. We must tackle it while there is time, or, mark it down, it will get us good and hard—and before so long at that.

Faith, Co-operation, Work, Money Required for Results.

To make Manassas what it can and ought to be will require faith in each other, co-operation, work and, most likely, slightly more in the way of taxes than we are now paying. It will require a different form of administration—an administration where authority and responsibility are centralized and where competent services are adequately paid for in cold cash.

Is not Manassas worth the trouble and expense involved in putting it on its feet? Your answer will depend upon what you do, not on what you think. One of the biggest things the individual citizen can do now is to come out in type with a candid expression of his or her opinion. The columns of The Journal, I am assured, are open wide for signed contributions. Silence or a whispered opinion at the present crisis in the affairs of our municipality is anything but golden.

The old year closes. A new will soon be ushered in. What more fitting time for each and all, individually and collectively, to shed the old Manassas spirit and to start out the year 1921 with the resolve to make Manassas what it can and, by the grace of God and our continual efforts, will be?



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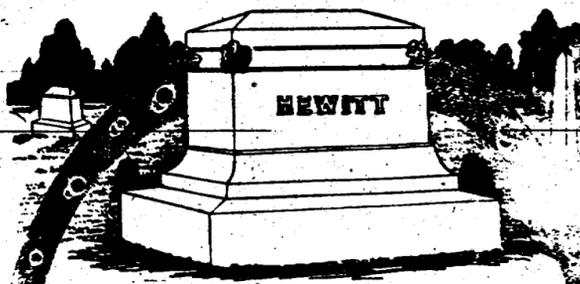
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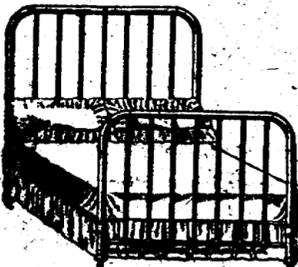
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Mrs. Mary Gossom continues quite sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks Toebert, of Washington, are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a small daughter, Mildred Parks.

The Sunday School of Antioch will have their Christmas tree and entertainment at the church on Tuesday evening, December 28. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Fiction and Pictures.

Superb pictures in the Rotogravure Section and splendid fiction in the Magazine are of the really big features of The Washington Sunday Star. For instance, the lead fiction next Sunday is one of the best stories ever written by Fannie Hurst—"Through a Glass Darkly"—and Miss Hurst is a famous American story teller. Order your copy of next Sunday's Washington Star today.

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S. W. DAYBERRY, Plaintiff

vs.

ELSIE DAYBERRY, Defendant.

IN CHANCERY
The object of this suit is to secure an absolute divorce (a vinculo matrimonii) by the plaintiff from the defendant on the grounds of willful desertion and abandonment of the plaintiff by the defendant on the 20th day of May, 1917, and ever since continuing.

And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant in the above entitled cause is a non-resident of the state of Virginia. And an application for this order of publication setting forth that the last known place of abode of the said defendant was Augusta, Ga., having been made in writing and duly granted by the clerk of this court, it is therefore ordered that the said defendant do appear here within ten days after due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect her interests in this suit.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Manassas Journal, a newspaper published and circulated in the county of Prince William, Virginia; that a copy of the same be sent by registered mail by the clerk of this court, addressed to Elsie Dayberry, Augusta, Ga., and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of the said county on or before the 20th day of December, 1920, that being the next succeeding Rule Day after this order was entered.

GEO. G. TYLER, Clerk.

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GEO. G. TYLER, Clerk.

F. W. COLEMAN, p. c.

THE WISE MEN OF THE EAST

¶ When the Wise Men of the East followed the Star of Bethlehem, they established the basic principle of the true Christmas spirit. They were not on a quest of adventure; nor lured by pleasure, nor society, nor gold. They were thinking men, and they journeyed into Judea to celebrate in a thoughtful way the first Christmas morning.

¶ The bones of these Wise Men have been dust for ages; but they left us a good lesson, one which has stood the test of time.

¶ It is not what you may have, nor how much you may be able to give, nor the variety of things you may eat for your Christmas dinner that really count; it is the good you do, the smile you may wear, the human kindness that springs up in you, the spoken word of cheer, the shaking off of any shackles of selfishness, the being what your Master intended you to be—a real live agency for joy and happiness.

¶ And, so, as the Christmas bells ring out at this glad season, let us each resolve to make some one happy; not necessarily with money but with human sympathy; and, then, let us resolve that the anniversary demands of us still better citizenship (with the passing years—work, thrift, and the better understanding of the problems of others.

¶ Bear in mind that neither fame nor fortune nor social position are required to afford the happiness that it is your privilege to enjoy.

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