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**We Wish the Highway Family and
Readers of it a Happy
Christmas**

The above wish if realized by our readers will be because they are enabled to rise above the world conditions, and much in the home, and church, to actually be happy.

There must be something to be happy about. Paul expressed the condition which is within the reach of the true, thoughtful christian, when he said, "As sorrowful, yet always rejoicing." No thoughtful christian can take into consideration present day conditions in the world, and home, and church without being pained in heart. But a clearly saved and wholly sanctified person who has retained the blessing, and in consequence has followed the Holy Spirit wholly, will see much to be happy over in reviewing the past, and in the sacred fellowship in the present, and in the anticipated glory of the future, and can sincerely say: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course (to the present), I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day." There was no hesitation in this statement by Paul.

Just preceding this great testimony Paul said to Timothy: The time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears: ("endless curiosity; an insatiable desire for variety).

But watch thou in all things.

Endure afflictions.

Do the Work of an Evangelist.

Make full proof of thy ministry.

To follow these four injunctions will ensure the happiest life possible on earth.

Let nothing pass without the closest scrutiny, in your clearest spiritual light. Put all doubts on the right side of every circumstance. Watch thou in all things—large and small. You will be afflicted by other people's sayings and doings, and

these things are not pleasant things, but stand in and for the truth.

To do the work of an evangelist: Be intensely in earnest. Have a distinct message. Press the necessity of salvation. Expect results. Get directly after souls.

Make full proof of thy ministry—lose no opportunity to "set forth thy principles to their utmost power of activity."

There is a danger of losing sight of the great blessing, in our blessings. The gift is more highly appreciated than the giver. Christ is of heavenly origin. Christmas is of earthly. Christ the Son of God. Christmas is the thought of man. Much of Christmas has no Christ in its feasting and pleasure, even reveling. Christ the great gift of God to save and bless a lost world. Christ's gift of himself to the church that he might sanctify and cleanse it, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

A CHRISTMAS WELCOME.

Once again the joys of Christmas
Come to bless our land so dear,
And we give a hearty welcome
To the friends assembled here;
There are many sweet reminders
That the time has come again,
For each greeting seems to whisper—
"Peace on earth, good will to men."

There are bells to tell the story
As they ring from near and far
There are emblems here about us
Of the Saviour and his star;
There are teachings from the Bible,
There are songs and stories sweet,
Telling of the wondrous wise men
Kneeling at the Saviour's feet.

There are gifts exchanged around us,
Full of thoughts of Christ, the King,
Who, the world's great gift from Heaven,
Came eternal life to bring:
For his sake our gifts are offered,
With a greeting warm and true,
And I think he knows the motive
That we always have in view.

Let us have the Christmas spirit
In each heart and soul today,
Giving just for love and kindness,
Not expecting any pay;
Giving for the joy of giving,
Not because we seek reward:
Giving song, and praise, and off'ring,
In the name of Christ the Lord.
—Selected.

THE MISSIONARY TOUR OF THE
CHURCHES.

Sisters Helen M. and Alice F. Sterritt began their tour of the churches immediately after the close of Riverside Camp Meeting in August and completed their work on December 5th at Lutz Mountain Church. It was a grand success throughout, both spiritually and financially and more because we had another object in view, viz., that the people might see them and become acquainted with them and become attached to them, in Christian love, which would

bear a double fruitage, of blessing to the people now and in a generous support for them in the foreign field. There is much, as in all Christian work, which cannot be reported, in the way of giving many people a wider interest in the missionary work than they ever had before and in the enlistment of new people in missions, and the seed sown in the minds of the children, and the possible later recruits to the ranks of missionaries.

There were presents of money and many useful articles given directly to our sisters, all of which will add to their convenience and comfort in their outfit for their personal clothing and for housekeeping in Africa. The contributions from the churches amounted to \$1,283.59. This includes the offerings given in separate meetings held by Sister Keirstead, while with the Sisters Sterritt in Nova Scotia, and Grand Manan. The total expenses were approximately \$200, leaving a total of \$1,803 toward passage, outfit and freight. We thank our people for their kindness and generosity and real live interest manifested wherever our sisters went. Besides the amount of the offerings there has been a considerable amount of money received toward the outfit and passage from persons in the United States, as well as in Canada, which has been acknowledged in the Highway. All these dear friends are included in our thanks as well as many more who will be heard from before our sisters sail for Africa.

Our missionary sisters have spent several days in Moncton purchasing clothing for use in Africa, as it is needful to get sufficient for two or three years wear.

OBITUARY POETRY.

Our friends persist in sending us poetry with obituary notices or upon the death of their friends. In much of this the words are addressed to the deceased ones. We don't believe in spiritualism, and we don't believe that our paper can possibly carry these messages to the dear departed ones. Surely the writers of these poems do not think so either, but have a desire to show their sympathy to the friends of the deceased in this way. We should say our kind words to our friends before they die. Give your flowers to people while they live. How many sick would be cheered by these kind words and bright and beautiful flowers? Please don't send any more of this kind of poetry. We do not like to offend or grieve the people.

Spiritualism is being very insidiously propagated and people are being deceived by its crafty methods. Stop and think as you read, don't forget the admonition—
"Let no man deceive you."

An editor of a strictly religious paper must be careful what he sets before his readers, especially in these perilous days.

Pastors who watch with care over the spiritual welfare of his people should especially note the literature which is sent into their homes.

"Live in the sunlight and help others out of the shadows."

"The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof."