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## THE FIRST CHRISTMAS

(From St. Luke, Chap. 2; verses 1-20)

And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed and this taking was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria and all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David which is called Bethlehem. (because he was of the house and lineage of David.)

To be taxed with Mary, his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she was to be delivered.

And she brought forth her first born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over the flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them and the Glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass as the angels were gone away from them into Heaven the shepherds said one to another, let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the babe lying in a manger.

And when they had seen it they made known abroad the same which was told them concerning this child.

And all that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen as it was told unto them.

## INHERITANCES

Selfishness has its roots in the fibre of the human race. It grows out of the instinct of self-protection. It is the framework of the primitive family. Certain people of the earth are renowned for their unselfishness in their relationship with the chance stranger and with members of their own tribal blood. But as toward tribal neighbors and rivals they have been observed to carry selfishness far beyond the common habits of civilization.

Our instincts go back to the beginnings of mankind. Slow in development they are yet tenacious. In the nearly two thousand years of Christianity no one of the evils associated with human nature has been eradicated. Here and there the individual appears who has mastered his inherited instincts so that never an impulse shows the taint of selfishness. But it is there in his blood, and what he has conquered rules over his offspring. There are years to be unlivens, centuries and ages, before a new set of instincts can take the place of those that come to us out of the darkness of prehistoric times.

These are facts it is worth while to keep in mind when we despair of nations and races and individuals. Their selfishness is not just theirs. It is that of the millions who have gone before them and left heritages few persons are strong enough in spirit and flesh to decline. But there is no more measure to the time that is to come than to the time that is passed. There are opportunities, environments, persuasions, leading us to overcome selfishness, and each little conquest—however impossible for a moment—must count in the struggle. All things work together for good.

even though it must be admitted that they work slowly and hope is sometimes leaden in the hearts of the saints.

The potato growers of Carleton and York Counties should take on courage. Hon. Mr. Wignmore, in a telegram to Mr. Andrew McCann of Florenceville, says that the Dominion government has no intention of placing an embargo on the export of potatoes. Mr. Wignmore may know a whole lot about wharves in the city of St. John but all he knows about conditions prevailing in the farming sections of the province will not hurt him. Still it is interesting to learn from him that the Dominion Government has made no effort to keep open the only market for New Brunswick potatoes.

Journal of Commerce: The abolition of the so-called luxury taxes will be regarded with satisfaction by most people. There will be many to regret that the Finance Minister did not make the move a little earlier, for a very large part of the Christmas purchasing has already been done. The advice to "do your Christmas shopping early" is usually good advice. But this year those who disregarded it will profit by escaping the taxes which the earlier buyers have had to pay.

The high price of turkeys, geese and other Christmas poultry can only be attributed to their scarcity. Feed costs one third less than it did this time last year, and this cannot therefore be advanced as an argument in favor of the high prices. With feed down in price there is no reason why the farmers should not go in for poultry raising on a large scale next season.

## THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Christmas-sieve.

The night before Christmas—not a creature was stirring. Hence the saying, "nothing stirring."

The government evidently forgot to resume the luxury tax from Christmas turkeys and geese.

If everybody would take his own medicine this country would soon get well.

There is no Christmas in Lenin's scheme of things or he would never think of abolishing money.

"Money will get you a lot of things you want," observed Old Man Doodle, "but you have to give up so much that you really enjoy in order to get money!"

A man doesn't mind being identified by his hat, but a woman prefers to lose her identity in a new hat every whipstitch.

What has become of the old fashioned insurance man who used to remember one with calendars and blotters at this time of the year?

From the way the little nations are scrambling to cover in the league of nations it is apparent that they believe it to be a coming as well as a going concern.

When one does get filled with the Christmas spirit sometimes he has it all taken out of him by the "take-it-or-leave-it" clerk.

## PILES

Are Generally Caused by  
CONSTIPATION

There are few, if any, complaints more common than hemorrhoids, or piles, as they are commonly called, and scarcely any which cause more trouble, annoyance and misery.

Ninety per cent. are troubled with them at some time or other, owing to allowing the bowels to become in a constipated condition.

Piles are classed under three headings, i.e., itching, bleeding and protruding, and the excruciating pains which accompany them cause misery which is beyond description.

Ointments and suppositories may help and relieve for a while, but to get rid of them it is necessary to have a free, easy and natural motion of the bowels, at least once or twice a day, and by doing this the cause will be quickly removed.

Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills regulate the flow of bile to act properly on the liver and bowels, thus removing the constipation and its allied troubles.

They contain no calomel or drastic mineral ingredients, being purely vegetable. They are small and easy to take, and do not gripe, weaken or sicken.

Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills are 25c a box at all druggists or dealers, or by T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, mailed direct on receipt of price by post.

AFTER THE "FLU"  
Four Children Had  
WHOOPIING COUGH

Whooping Cough, although specially a disease of childhood, is by no means confined to that period, but may occur at any time of life. It is one of the most dangerous diseases of infancy, and yearly causes more deaths than scarlet fever, typhoid or diphtheria, and is more common in female than male children.

Whooping Cough starts with sneezing, watering of the eyes, irritation of the throat, feverishness and cough.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is highly recommended by mothers everywhere for the relief of this trouble as it helps to clear the clogged-up air passages of the mucous and phlegm that has collected, and in this way bring on the "whoop" which brings the so-much-sought-for relief and heals and soothes the lungs.

Mrs. J. M. Rouse, Imperial, Sask., writes: "After the 'flu' last fall, my four children took whooping cough, and one of them developed bronchitis. After using two or three bottles of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup they were greatly relieved of their nasty coughs. It is an especially good remedy for children, and is so nice they take it readily, and ask for more."

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is 35c. and 60c. a bottle at all dealers. Put up only by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

## CHURCH SERVICES

St. Paul's Presbyterian.  
 Rev. J. S. Sutherland, D. D., minister. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. All are welcome.

Methodist Church.  
 Rev. Geo. M. Young, pastor. Service on Christmas morning at 11 o'clock. Sunday, 26th, 11 a.m., Rev. W. D. Wilson, 7 p.m., the Pastor. Sunday school at 2.30 p.m.

Brunswick Street Baptist.  
 Rev. Gordon C. Warren, B. D., pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Christmas music repeated. Christmas exercises in the Bible school at 2.30 p.m.

George Street Baptist.  
 Rev. Z. L. Fash, M. A., B. D., pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Christmas Music Morning and evening. Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. All are welcome at the White Church, The People's Church Home.

Parish Church.  
 Christmas Day—Holy Communion, 7 a.m., Holy Communion 8 a.m. Matins and Holy Communion 10.30 a.m. Sunday After Christmas—Holy Communion, 8 a.m., Matins, 11 a.m., Evensong, 7 p.m. The rector will preach morning and evening.

Reformed Baptist.  
 Rev. P. J. Trafton, pastor. Sunday the pastor will preach a Christmas sermon at 11 a.m. Sunday School at 2.30 p.m. Evangelistic services at 7 p.m. Special music at all the services. Cottage meeting Tuesday evening. Special prayer and watch-night service at eight o'clock. All are cordially invited.

Salvation Army.  
 Week-end services as follows: Saturday, 8 p.m., free-and-easy; Sunday, Rally Day, 7 a.m., knee drill; 10 a.m., children's directory class; 11 a.m., holiness; 3 p.m., praise; 7 p.m.,

Advent Christian Church.  
 North Devon.  
 Sunday school, 10 a.m., preaching services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Loyal Workers' Prayer Meeting Monday evening at 7.45. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30. Evangelist C. P. Henderson, Bear River, N. S., will preach at both services. A cordial welcome to all.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. Earle R. Macnutt, barrister of Halifax is here to spend Christmas with his parents Collector and Mrs. Macnutt.

D. H. Lamont of Glassville is registered at the Barker House.

H. A. Powell K. C., arrived in the city last night.

R. W. Baird of Maves Mills is at the Queen.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Blakney of Moncton were in town yesterday.

B. S. Gale of St. Martins was in town yesterday.

Gerald Craig of Charlottetown P. E. I. was in town yesterday.

W. S. Emery of Woodstock was in town yesterday.

Reuben McGuire of Hope Town, Quebec, was in the city yesterday.

Joseph A. Stewart of Taymouth was in the city yesterday.

Recently a phonograph was heard 100 miles at sea by the owner of a wireless machine on shore. Don't blame Marconi. He couldn't foresee all the disadvantages of his invention.

Wool caps, scarfs and sets at reduced prices at A. Murray & Co.'s opposite City Hall.

FOR SALE—1 car dry hardwood, four feet. T. W. Fulton, phone 308-32.

LAST CALL TO WATER CONSUMERS  
 Water consumers will please take notice that their water rates must be paid by December 31st, 1920, in order to get the discount.  
 G. R. PERKINS,  
 City Treasurer.

Skirts To Tide One  
Over The Winter

One smart Skirt belongs in every winter wardrobe.

Under the heavy coat, to wear with odd blouses and for general utility purposes, nothing takes the place of a separate Skirt. We have a fine collection just now, new, everyone of them, and abounding in the dash of plaids, panels, stitching or plaids now so popular. Especially fine also for winter sports wear.

## John J. Weddall &amp; Son

Agent for Pictorial Fashions. December Review on Sale.

## THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON

Prompts us to express again the pleasure we derive from our business relations with you. On behalf of our entire organization we wish you and yours

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

## R. CHESTNUT &amp; SONS, Ltd.

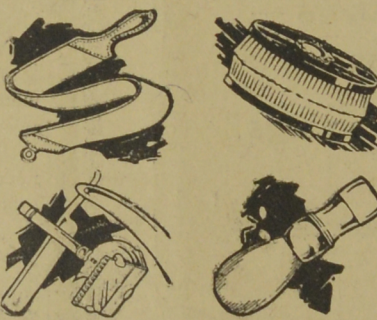
53,000 Square Feet of Floor Space in Use Supplying  
 "CHESTNUT'S HARDWARE SERVICE."

Beginning Dec. 1st, our store will open at 8.30 a.m. and close 6 p.m. daily except Saturday, open until 9 p.m.



OH, GIRLS, we have a Gift that never went wrong with men.

Put these articles on your Gift List now.



## STAPLES'

## PHARMACY

ALONZO STAPLES, Prop.

## Xmas at Bebbington's

We have arranged a nice display of New Ferns, Blooming Plants, Wreaths, etc., appropriate for Xmas presents. Price generally 50c. to \$1.00 each. Also celery, lettuce, parsley, etc., at Bebbington's Gardens.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

## GAIETY

TODAY'S PROGRAMME  
 HOUSE PETERS

—IN—

## "The Great Redeemer"

A Maurice Tourneur Special

## "HIDDEN DANGERS" EPISODE

EIGHT

4 Shows Daily—at 2.15, 3.45, 7.15 and 8.40.

Monday

BILLIE BURKE in "Away Goes Prudence"

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE

For your kind and valued patronage of 1920, we thank you, and in the future may it be our privilege to serve you as in the past.

## THE REXALL STORE

DIBBLEE'S DRUG STORE  
 Opp. City Hall.