

**SANGERVILLE**

SANGERVILLE, Va., Dec. 21.—Christmas is nearing and one can see more or less preparation being made. Many presents are already being received. Programs are being arranged in some of the schools and a nice entertaining evening is being promised.

Mr. D. Earl Sanger continues to slowly improve. It will be remembered that he was hurt in a game of basket ball several weeks ago at the Sangerville graded school.

Mr. R. A. Cupp and wife were in Bridgewater yesterday.

Mr. E. R. Roof has bills posted announcing sale of his personal property next Friday. Mr. Roof had the misfortune to lose his wife by death last week. He lives near Spring Creek.

Many turkeys are being moved for the Christmas market. The market is more favorable this year for the average pocketbook.

Dr. Jim Long and wife of Frederick, Md., are expected at Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Sanger's this week. Mrs. Sanger is a sister to Dr. Long. Doctor is a specialist.

Services at Brethren Church at Sangerville and Emmanuel Church on Christmas day. All are invited.

**WHERE IS HE?**

Written for the Dispatch-News by Mrs. Emma Taylor, manager Fourth District Associated Charities, Staunton, Va.

I  
Would you follow today the Wise Men

Who worshipped the Baby King?  
And how at the lowly manger,  
Your gifts of gold to bring?

II  
Would you hear that glad song of the angels  
That chant o'er Bethlehem's plain?  
And thrill to the joyous chorus  
Of "Peace and Good Will to Men?"

III  
Would your heart grow warm with rapture,  
Could you kneel by His bed of straw,  
While the Angels sing "Glad Tidings"  
And the shepherds stand in awe?

IV  
But Judea's plain is silent,  
And the star that shone so bright,  
Looks down where the shepherds worshipped  
On the first glad Christmas night.

V  
But today we find the Saviour,  
Near so near to our door,  
In the guise of wistful childhood,  
In hie homes of the sick and poor.

VI  
In the lowly, humble places,  
Where the shadows darkly fall  
Where the tiny empty stocking  
Hangs against the dingy wall.

VII  
By helping "the least" of his children,  
We minister unto Him,  
Come, bringing your gifts and offerings  
To the Babe of Bethlehem.

**ANOTHER HONOR ROLL**

MINT SPRING, Dec. 21.—Following is the Honor Roll for December for the Christian Creek school, the requirements being good attendance, good deportment, and an average of 95 per cent. grades on all lessons:

Mathew Pilsen, Mary Sue Pilsen, Ruby Coffey, Walter Wright, Roller Lucas, Harry Keister, Wallace Harris and Agnes Hanger, Melissa Hanger, teacher.

**WEAK KIDNEYS MAKE WEAK BODIES**

Kidney Diseases Cause Half the Common Aches and Pains of Staunton People

As one weak link weakens a chain, so weak kidneys weaken the whole body and hasten the final breaking down.

Overwork, strains, colds and other causes injure the kidneys, and when their activity is lessened the whole body suffers from the excess of uric poison circulated in the blood.

Aches and pains and languor and urinary ills come, and there is an ever-increasing tendency towards fatal Bright's disease. There is no real help for the sufferer except kidney help.

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Mrs. George W. Eubank, 212 S. Washington street, Staunton, Va., says: "For six months I was troubled by backache and could not attend to my housework. My kidneys were also weak and I was annoyed by difficulty with the kidney secretions. The contents of one box of Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Thomas Hogshead's Drug Store, entirely relieved me and I have not had a return attack of kidney trouble."

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**INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**

LESSON FOR DECEMBER 24

MALACHI REBUKES JUDAH.

LESSON TEXT—Malachi 3:1-4:3.

MEMORY VERSES—3:16, 17.

GOLDEN TEXT—1. "Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts."—Mal. 3:7.

2. "Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."—Luke 2:11.

TIME—Some time during the age of Ezra and Nehemiah, but it is not certain whether about 458 (Ezra) or 444 or 430.

PLACE—Jerusalem and vicinity.

CONTEMPORARY HISTORY—Aclibades at Athens. The Peloponnesian war (431-404). The republic at Rome, governed by consuls and military tribunes. About this time Socrates was teaching the only approach to a pure morality which Athens ever knew. Herodotus was nearly through his travels (484-400). Plato, the philosopher (428-348), was now a boy, listening to Socrates. Xenophon (444-354) leads the retreat of the ten thousand back to Greece (400), which retreat he has immortalized in his Anabasis.

There is no certainty as to the definite time when Malachi uttered his prophecies, because no data is given in the book, and the sins which he sought to reform were present throughout the whole period of Ezra and Nehemiah, from 458 through the rest of the century. Most place him soon after Nehemiah's second coming to Jerusalem, between 433 and 430.

He is plain spoken, and direct, without high eloquence, or supreme poetic power, but abounding in effective similes, metaphors and imagery which hit the mark, and do the work. What a London paper says of a distinguished man's straightforward speeches applies well to the sermons of Malachi: "A sound and healthy gospel doubly welcome because 'the world is waking to the consciousness of intellectual and moral hunger which only these truths can satisfy.'"

If we read the later chapters of Nehemiah and compare the sins and evils which Nehemiah labored to reform, with the sins and evils which Malachi denounces, it will be seen that both are laboring for the same ends, and realize the same necessity of reform. God was dishonored, and religion made a mere form and farce, by offering men things for sacrifices, as polluted bread, and lame and sick animals, by refusing to do the simplest service in the temple without pay, by refusing to pay tithes for the support of the temple worship, by intermarrying with the heathen. In all these things they broke the divine law; they showed that their minds were all wrong.

One of the peculiar glories of the Bible is that from the very beginning its golden age is in the future, not as in other ancient nations, in the past. And as the golden age must have a maker, God's revelation soon brings into view the one, the Messiah, who alone can make the age of gold which is the Kingdom of Heaven. Isaiah tells us that "unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."

In the last book of the Old Testament, about 400 years before Christ was born, the last prophet brings the hope and ideal and goal in the person of the Messiah, Christ, the Jesus who was born on the true Christmas day. Behold I, God, will send my messenger, one coming in God's name, and bearing a divine message, whose work shall be to prepare the way before me, the coming of God himself. This messenger, interpreted by our Lord himself on two occasions, was one who should come in the spirit and power of Elijah, doing the same work, rebuking sin, denouncing all wrongs, calling men to repentance, awakening the conscience.

It is possible that these words had a partial fulfillment in Nehemiah, a foreshadowing on a smaller scale, of John the Baptist who completely fulfilled the prophecy. Nehemiah's reforms were a part of the preparation for the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven, and fixed the eyes of the people on the great ideal toward which they were slowly moving.

Suppose we make two maps of the world on the plan furnished by the United States census to show the degree in which ignorance, certain diseases, and many other things prevail, by means of higher and darker shades. On one map we will note the countries where the purest Christianity prevails, by white. A darker shade will mark the more imperfect forms, and then let the shades grow darker and darker through Mohammedanism, and the various forms of heathenism till we come to the blackness of the lowest fetishism.

Then, with entire independence, make a similar map of the moral and intellectual condition of men. Where there is the most manhood, the noblest womanhood, the highest morality, the best social conditions, the most done for the sick and suffering, the most of all that elevates the people, and brings the greatest happiness—these put in white. Darken the shades as these things grow less, till we come to the blackness of the lowest savagery. The two maps will almost coincide. Where there is the most Christianity there will be the most that is good for man.

**TO SHOPPERS.**

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**THE KITCHEN CUPBOARD**

DELICIOUS HOLIDAY MACAROONS.

ARE you fond of macaroons? Well, the little folks always are, and macaroons are cakes that will add to the luxury of any Christmas table. As nuts form the basis of macaroons, they are nutritious as well as delicious.

**How to Make Them.**

One recipe for preparing macaroons is as follows: Take one-half a pound of almonds. Soak them in boiling water until the skins rub off easily.

Then reduce them to a paste by pounding them in a mortar, using about a teaspoonful of rosewater to moisten them. Add to this about half a pound of sugar.

Beat two eggs until they are stiff. Stir in enough of the white of eggs with the almonds to form a paste.

Take flour on the hands and work the paste into cakes the size of the macaroons you buy. Place them on buttered paper laid on a pan. Put in a moderately hot oven and bake a few minutes.

**Another Recipe.**

One can also make good macaroons according to this recipe: Take one-half a pound of almonds. Blanch, dry and pound in a mortar with a little rosewater until they are a paste.

Take the whites of three eggs and beat them, stirring in half a teaspoonful of almond essence. Add to the eggs a coffee cupful of white sugar.

Then work in the almond paste, using about a tablespoonful of flour to give it consistency. Take a lump about the size of a walnut, flatten and place on a pan covered with buttered paper. Bake until they are a light yellow.

**Inexpensive Macaroons.**

Only an ounce of ground or grated almonds is required in this recipe. Take the white of one egg to which has been added about a tablespoonful of milk. Moisten the almonds with rosewater and pound to a paste in a mortar. Add to the beaten eggs and milk their weight in powdered sugar, then stirring the almond paste mixed with about two ounces of sifted flour. Bake on buttered paper in a moderate oven for twenty minutes.

**With Coconut.**

For coconut macaroons take a quarter of a pound of shredded coconut, a quarter of a pound of powdered sugar and the whites of two eggs. Proceed as for almond macaroons.

A dessert may be made from an ordinary rich boiled custard with the addition of ground macaroons. Add to the uncooked custard six ground macaroons. Cook the macaroons in the custard, add a light flavoring of vanilla and when it is cold turn a tablespoonful of it into a custard glass, put in a couple of cherries or nut meats, fill the glass more than half full with the custard and then top it with whipped cream.

Anna Thompson.

**MR. "BOB" AT LOCH WILTON CHURCH**

The ladies of the Loch Wilton Church will give an entertainment at the home of Mrs. Nettie Bear, Wednesday, December 27, beginning at 10 o'clock, noon with an old-fashioned Christmas dinner of turkeys, oystersalads, etc., and later an interesting playlet.

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