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CHRISTMAS.

It is Christmas again. How soon the twelve months pass; how rapidly the days go by. How short a time it seems since Santa Claus was with us one year ago; since the children were engaged in the merry frolics incident to this kind of holidays. Life is indeed but a span, a whisper, a breath; and how foolish to throw it away in the useless chase and search for contentment and happiness in this world. To-morrow will find the funds small in many a household; and many a bright-eyed boy and girl will find the stocking contains but little, and will wonder why the Saint of Festivities did not come that way and will no doubt, think the kind, merry old man could not see the small shanty, for looking around in search of the big houses and palaces. This brings a pang to the parents' hearts and they wish Christmas would never come. Ah, what a privilege for some man, some woman of wealth to bring sunshine to such home.

But let us turn to a more congenial phase. Let us be sure that the heart is right and then it will be light. We can have a merry Christmas any way. A kind and bright word of generous greeting, of heart felt wishes for a pleasant time; frequently brings to the heart and soul more sunshine than would a present.

Let the day, it will God's holy Sabbath this time, be spent in reverential thought, conversation and conduct befitting the day hallowed by Jehovah. Let our hearts be pure, our thoughts sublime. Let us give heed to the nobler attributes of the human possibilities and demands and duties. Let us be naught of bitterness nor of things unholly possess us. Let us bid all people "All hail, joy and gladness." A merry Christmas to all.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION.

The Queen and Crescent Route will sell on December 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 30 and 31 and January 1 and 2 round trip tickets from and to all stations on its lines at greatly reduced rates.

Southern agents will sell on same dates to all points east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers. Tickets will also be sold on December 16 to 25 inclusive to students of schools and colleges upon presentation of certificates duly signed by the president or principal of such institution, final return limit of all tickets will be January 4, 1899.

R. J. ANDERSON, A. G. P. A.
GEO. O. SMITH, G. P. A.

BIG FIRE.

Another large fire for Shreveport, with the probable loss of nearly \$200,000. The property consumed was the large dry goods houses of Bigart & Co., the Kahn Dry Goods Co., Miss Louise Rew, J. L. Tilly's saloon. The Mary A. Files Millinery Co. was not burned, but the stock was ruined entirely by smoke and water. The Phoenix Hotel was damaged considerably, and narrowly escaped being burned. Yesterday was our press day, and we could not give a full account. The fire occurred after 4 o'clock, and started in the beautiful palace of Bigart & Co., from electric wires, it is said.

Conference Appointments.

Following are the appointments made by Bishop Morrison for the Shreveport District; J. T. Sawyer, presiding elder; Shreveport (first church), W. T. Boling; Texas Avenue P. O. Lowry, Mooringsport, H. W. Bronson; Caddo, J. O. Bennet, Mansfield, J. L. P. Shepherd; Grand Cane, J. M. Brown; Pleasant Hill, J. F. Patterson Coushatta, P. M. Brown; Red River, W. O. Evans; Wesley, G. D. Percell; South Bossier, H. J. Boultes; North Bossier, M. J. Hebert; Ft. Jessup and Many, J. S. Sanders; Zwolle, S. S. Halliday; Logansport M. H. Jenkins; Vanderbilt University, J. G. Sligh; Agent Centenary and Mansfield colleges, T. B. Clifford.

ARCADIA DISTRICT.

B. T. Crews, presiding elder; Homer, W. F. Henderson; Haynesville, N. S. Cornell; Minden, C. P. Smith; Gibbsland, J. H. Brown; Leesville, C. S. Staples; Bienville, J. M. Franklin; Arcadia, S. J. Davies; Lisbon and Summerfield, Ben Shepherd; Ruston, A. J. Notestine; Simsboro, W. H. Ledbetter; Vernon, W. A. Clark; Downsfield, R. W. Vaughan; Farmerville, H. B. Thomas; Nalley, H. Armstrong; Gamesville, H. W. Hanks; Calhoun, T. M. Water.

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City Market House.

ROYAL PROCLAMATION

And Appeal to the Public.

To the Citizens of Shreveport:

The fame of your city as a mart of enterprise and increasing greatness; the abode of generous men and lovely women, and their zeal in all matters that will further her advancement and prosperity has attracted the attention of His Royal Majesty and much beloved sovereign Co-Phion, Grand Pa-Di-Shah of all the Princes of the Orient; the monarch of the Land of the Sun-god; the Province of the Fire Worshipers; the Realm of the Beautiful and of Poetry, Music and Art and Chivalry; and His Highness is desirous of paying the much talked of city, Shreveport, a royal visit on the thirteenth and fourteenth days of February, in the year of our Lord 1899; the hey-day of Louisiana's pleasure times, Mardi-Gras; so that he may personally see her places of interest, enjoy the association of her people and, if possible, "make a League with them." With this end in view, His Majesty has sent his four most trusted and potential Vice-Roys, Counselors in his Court, to interview you; to ascertain if it will please you to defray the expenses of this Royal visit.

Our great sovereign, Co-Phion is a ruler of the Realm of Splendor, Genius and Revelry; and in the wake and about his Royal Train there always follow multitudes of admiring people, singing and shouting, "All Hail, Honor and Long Life, to Co Phion, Grand Pa-Di-Shah, mightiest of all Monarchs; ruler of sunshine, laughter, music and merriment!"

With the royal party will be courtiers, lords and ladies of the imperial house; heralds, trumpeters and foresters.

His Highness is very anxious to come; and it would please him to know your decision at the very earliest possible moment, so that his proclamation may go forth over the country, for every loyal subject to prepare to be here and witness the magnificent entry.

It will give us great pleasure to call on you next Monday or Tuesday to receive your answer to the Royal Request.

By order of His Eminent Majesty, Co-Phion, Grand Pa Di Shah of the Princes of the Orient.

AMPHION, ARION, CAPANEUS, DIOMED, } Vice-Roys.

Stolen Watch.

There was stolen from me an extra large gentleman's double-case gold watch. Its number is 67,018, and was made by W. F. James, London. On one side is raised or engraved a strap with buckle and tongue; the end of the strap well through the buckle. A liberal reward will be paid for the return of the watch to me, or to The Progress. Mrs. L. L. GILMER.

Cheap Rates To The Old State For The Holidays.

On Dec. 20th and 21st, the Cotton Belt Route will sell round trip tickets to points in the Southeast, East of the Mississippi and South of the Ohio river, at rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale only on these two days, and will be good to return anytime within thirty days from date of sale.

This will be an excellent chance to spend Christmas with the Old Folks at the Old Home, in the old States. For full particulars, rates, schedules, etc., call on the nearest ticket agent of the Cotton Belt Route, or address E. W. LaBeaume, G. P. & T. A., St. Louis, Mo.

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GENERAL LOCAL MARKET.

Shreveport, La. December 16

This Day

COTTON.

Ordinary..... Nominal
Good Ordinary..... 4-4-4
Low Middling..... 4-4-4
Middling..... 5-1-3-6
Good Middling..... 5-4-4

PROVISIONS.

Bacon-6-1-0
Dry Salt Meats at 5-1-0
Breakfast Bacon-8-1-0
Hams-Choice canvassed, sugar-cured 8-4-0
Lard-Compound, 1-1-0; pure, 6-0
Bacon Plates 5-1-0

BREADSTUFFS.

Flour-Best patent, \$1.40; half patent or straight, \$1.25; extra fancy, \$1.00.
Cornmeal-\$1.90 per barrel; 35-40 pound sacks, \$1.20.
Crackers-A B C soda crackers are quoted at 6c; Cream, 7-1/2 by the lot.
Rice-New Louisiana, 4-1-0-6

COFFEE AND TEA.

Coffee-Fair, 8-1-0; medium grade 10-1-0; better, 12-1-0-13-0
Tea-Good stock on hand, fair demand. Fair, at 30c; good, 40-50c; fine, 75-85c; finest, \$1.00-\$1.25 per lb by the chest.

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.

Sugar-Standard granulated, 5-1-0; St Emma granulated, 5-1-0; snow white, 5-4-0; choice yellow clarified, 5c; seconds, 4-1-0.
Molasses-Common, 12c; prime open kettle, 20c; choice reboiled, 24-30c.

BAGGING AND TIES.

Bagging-2 lb, 7-1-0; 1-1/2 lb, 7-1-0.
Twine-For baling purposes quoted at 10c per lb by the bale.
Iron Ties-9-0c.

GRAIN AND FEEDSTUFF.

Corn-Mixed sacked, 44c per bushel.
Hay-Choice prairie (Arkansas), \$7.50; Texas, \$11.50.
Oats-White, 36c; mixed, 34c, seed, 33c.
Rye-9-0c.
Barley-7-5
Bran-7-5c.
Chopped Corn-9-0c per 100 pounds.
Millet Seed-per bushel....

CHICKENS AND EGGS.

Chickens, hens, per doz..... \$1.80a2.00
Broilers per doz..... 1.50
Fryers, large, per doz..... 1.80a2.00
Eggs per doz..... 15a20c
Butter, country, per pound..... 14@17c
Turkeys, per pound..... 7c.
Geese, per dozen..... 3 00a3.50
Ducks, per dozen..... 2 40
Pork, per pound..... 3 1/4a4 1/2c

HIDES AND WOOL MARKET.

Dry hides, No. 1 flint, per lb..... 11@12c
Dry hides, damaged..... 8a10c
Saddy bug eaten..... 5a6c
Dry salted, No 1..... 9a10c
Bull hides..... 9a10c
Green salted hides..... 6a6 1/2c
Green hides..... 5a5 1/2c
Wool, tub washed, choice..... 20@25c
Wool, unwashed, clear..... 14@16c
Wool, burry and black..... 8@13c
Wool, hard burry..... 7a9c
Beeswax, prime..... 20@24c
Tallow..... 3c
Sheep skins, each..... 10@50c
Goat skins..... 10@25c

FURS

Otter..... \$1 00a5 00
Beaver..... 1 00a5 00
Raccoon..... 10@50c
Fox..... 10@20c
Opossum..... 3@5c
Wild cat..... 10@20c
Mink..... 10@20c
Bear..... 1 00a5 00
Wolf skins..... 50@1 50
Deer skins, per pound..... 14c