#### The Herald and News

CHRISTMAS.

[Our Young People.]

We are approaching the season when our Savior is supposed to have been born. It is regarded a time for rejoicing and merrymaking. We think this is right. A day that commemorates so important an event should be a happy day. Angels rejoiced on the day where the Savior was born. There appeared a multitude of the heavenly hosts who praised God and said: "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will to men." If they found this event an occasion for rejoicing how much more should we, and every Christmas should afford us fresh occasion for joy and glad

But the manner in which Christ mas is usually spent is not a proper celebration of the birth of the Son of God. By many it is spent in dissipations of various kinds which tend to banish serious thought rather than to keep alive the re membrance of the Saviour's birth. They devote the day to intemper ance, to folly, to dancing and other amusements, that are more appropriate to a heathen festival than : Chistian holiday. We do not believe that Christmas should be observed as the Sabbath. We do not find that it is one of those set times God has appointed to be kept holy, but certainly its association suggests the utter inconsistency of sinful indulgences and amusements. Rather while the day is not to be spent in the exercises of worship any more than other secular days, how appropriate that we join sometime during the day the heavenly hosts in praising God for his love in the gift of his son.

Let us employ at least a portion of the day which celebrates God's unspeakable gift, in reading in his Holy Word of the birth, life and death of his dear Son; in meditating upon his wonderful love; and in praying that our eyes may be opened to behold more of his beauties and that our hearts may be opened to give him the best possible entertainment and obedience.

And as these tidings of great joy are to all people, let .. help others to be happy by being liberal to the poor, by visiting the fatherless and widows in their afflictions and in need. This manner of observing Christmas; by being happy ourin a measure fulfil the views which of these dates. the angels have given us of the manner in which we ought to be Christian festival was a "transforimpressed by the birth of the Re- mation or regeneration of kindred deemer, by ascribing glory to God heathen festivals," occuring during and showing peace and good will toward men. How much might each unconscious prophecies of the reader of this paper add to the happiness of the world if they would fathers themselves confirming the embrace the opportunities of the week for lending a helping hand. the birth of Christ, the Sun of righ-

## "Given Up



to die several times, yet I am spared to tell how I was saved," writes Mrs. A. A. Stowe, 237 N. 4th St., Sar Jose, Cal. "I had valvular hear trouble so severe that I was pronounced 'gone' two different times. The valves of my heart failed to work properly, and circulation was so sluggish that the slightest exertion produced fainting. 'There is no hope' said my physician, so I decided to try Dr. Miles' Heart Cure and the result I consider miraculous. 1 am satisfied it saved my life."

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THE END OF A CENTURY.

[Our Young People,]

times all point in that direction.

from the old to the new with the ously striving to advance his kingdom. May God give us grace not adhere to it. Let us try to realize that if we are Christians we belong to him and let us so form our plans and order our lives that in every thing we may show that we have taken Christ to be our King. Let us try to spend each day either in self conquest or the conquest of others, and leave God "to draw all our poor and imperfect acts of serand saving the world." On our banners for the next year and the beginning of the next century let

Tickets for everybody by the Seaboard Air Line Railway, for the Christmas holidays, will be good for two weeks if purchased on December 22nd. For College students they will be good for twenty five days if purchased on December 15th.

Christmas Thoughts and Historie Hints.

BY J. M. LUDLOW, D. D.

Chrysostom called Christmas the root of the festival life of the

The authorization of the day is ecclesiastical and rational, but not definitely Scriptural, the observance being neither commended nor followed by the New Testament writ-

It was first observed, so far as we showing kindness to those who are have historical data, about the middle of the fourth century, A. D 360, in Rome; 380 in Antioch, 430 selves and helping others to be so in Alexandria; probably having by our kind words and deeds, will originated a little before the earliest

According to Schaff (III. 396) December, which "might be called Christmas feast," "the church symbolical reference of the feast of teousness, the Light of the world, to the birth festival of the unconquered sun, which on the twentyfifth of December, after the winter solstice breaks the growing power of darkness and begins anew his heroic career." The belief that Jesus was born December 25th naturally riveted the nail that fixed the feast.

St. Stephen's day is December 26. The ancient hymn ran thus: 'Heri natus est Christus in terris,

Ut hodie Stephanus nasceretur in cœlis. "Yesterday was Christ born upon earth, that today Stephen might be born in heaven."

As a mark of the growing con currence of sentiment regarding the propriety of Christmas observance, recall the hostility of many of the early Protestant sects. Calvin had from the first advocated keeping the day, and secured its restoration Scotch could not brook it. Macau ay (Vol. III, p. 199) describes Christmas among the Covenanters. 'Each band marched to the neare mause and sacked the cellar anlarder of the minister (Episcopal) The priest of Baal was reviled and insulted, sometimes beaton, some it is death, be quick! times ducked." The ceremonial day with equal rancor against non take; it will save her. conformists. The present happy festivities of all sects in Christian communities make the day a good mile-post of progress toward the re-

alization of "peace on earth, good

She Missed Her Chance.

Mrs. J. K. Barney, the world fa-The 31st day of this month will mous prison worker, tells a story be the last year of the nineteenth which illustrates a great truth. century. None of us ever saw such She says: "Years ago I reached a a day before. We will never see Western town, and the lady who another such day. Though we may met me said, 'You must excuse the live to be old men and women and miserable old carriage 1 am going witness many a year end, we will to take you in, for I do not like to not see the end of another century. employ any other driver.' On see Three score or four score years at ing the uncared for look of both most is the utmost that we can hope carriage and horse, with tied up harness, I did wonder, and still It is believed by many that the more at the slovenly, red-faced twentieth century will mark a great driver. However, he drove us to advance of the Kingdom of Christ, her home safely, and as I passed up and that its achievements will be the walk she stopped to speak to far beyond anything that has been him. Overtaking me we entered accomplished during this century. the house together, and as the door It is claimed that the signs of the closed, she lifted a tearful face to mine, with the plea. Will you stop May each of us make the transit right here and pray for that man? 'What is it?' I asked, for I knew prayerful resolution that in our there mus' be something back of humble spheres we shall be found that. As we dropped upon our faithful to his cause and industri | kuees she sobbed out, Oh, he used to be in my Sunday-school class.'

"The substance of the story was only to form such a resolution but this: Years before, five boys were gathered into the school from the street. They were given into her care and she felt a pride in showing what she could do. She taught the lesson after a fashion, but with no real conception of personal responsibility, and in all those years never once talked with them individually about the solemn questions of life, never even pledged them to total vice into the large and effectual abstinence. Then she left home ministry by which he is teaching and was away for five years. In that time she waked up to the possibilities of Christian service, and often thought of her boys. us inscribe the word, consecration.

"On her return she began a search and finally came upon this one, who was noticeably under the influence of liquor. He seemed glad to see her, but shook his head to her proposition to sign the pledge. "It's no use now, you missed your chance to save me. You could have got me to do that once, but it's too late now.' To her inquiries about the other boys he replied, 'Two of us is dead, two of us is in prison, and I ain't worth saving. I tell you, lady, you missed your chance with us.' Years had come and gone, but she had never been able to help or influence him much more."

E. Payson Hammon, writing of the "Effects of Revival," after referring to meetings Whitefield held in one part of Scotland, says: "Profanity, which had been very common, was almost unknown; nearly every house in that locality became a house of prayer; old enmities were forgotten; religion became a controlling principle in men's business; infidels and scoffers were silenced, and forced to exclaim, 'There is indeed a difference between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not."

# Beauty

The most beautiful thing in the world is the baby, all dimples and joy. The most pitiful thing is that same baby, thin and in pain. And the mother does not know that a little fat makes all the differ-

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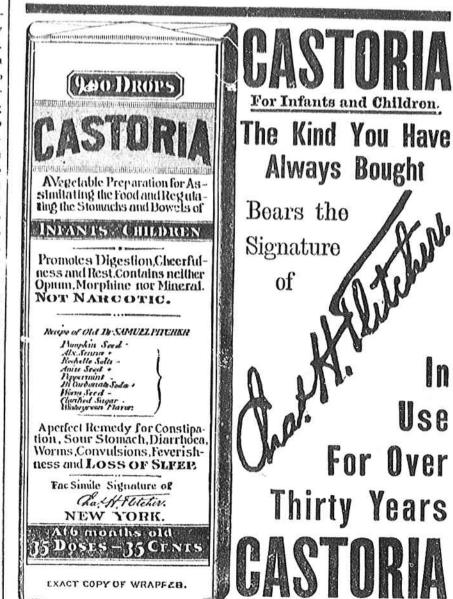


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