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**CHRISTMAS.**

ONCE more Christmas is here and the New Year, and the Hayti Herald invokes the most bountiful blessings for every one. But Christmas for many of us may not be what it should be, nor what we would like for it to be, only we must make the best of our lot in life, and if life holds but little for us to enjoy or to be thankful for, then let us be thankful for the blessings enjoyed by others, knowing that at the end of a few fleeting years our associates of today shall mix and commingle with us on an equality in the hereafter—even the little ragged urchin and the wan-faced widow.

In passing the holidays of the present year the Hayti Herald has both joys and regrets. We have labored night and day since the first issue of this paper for the best interests of this town and its people, and while a few have appreciated our efforts, many have not, and care not.

We said we had both joys and regrets: We appreciate all our old friends and the hundreds of new friends we have made, and we appreciate and are highly elated and overjoyed at the class that has shown enmity, because now we know them. Our regrets are in the fact that our substantial support in the town where we live has been so limited as to handicap us in many ways, and that to get out a decent and respectable paper we have had to work long hours and even deny our family many necessities and pleasures that they should have. We thank those who have stood by us, and in their behalf we hope the day will come in Hayti when we shall be rid of drones and the little home paper can live and prosper as it should and render better service. Of course our toes may point to the daisies when this time comes, but many of the other boys will be sleeping out there, and our files will be a vast library of obituaries, while the Herald will live on, in its modest way, to benefit and to bless those who are yet to come.

So in passing this great Christian Holiday for the forty-second time in life, and entering the New Year, that shows us our forty-third milestone, we do so feeling that we owe humanity no more than we have given, having a consciousness of duty well done.

To our friends: We stand ever ready to serve you.  
 To our enemies: We have no apologies to make and not one word that we would evil back.

To take a much needed rest we will follow the time-honored custom to suspend publication on Christmas Week. There will be no issue on December 30. The next issue will be January 6, 1910. But no subscriber will lose. The missing number will be made up.

We wish all a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

The editor and wife appreciate, and beg to acknowledge the many invitations to dine, to suppers, etc., which we are compelled to decline with regrets, and we are sorry to state the cause; but the financial end of the newspaper business in Hayti is such that we cannot hire office help; we must stay in the office long hours, wear old clothes and live on sow belly and white beans, and an hour at home with the little ones and a chunk of hog meat and corn bread is more pleasure to us than a crawl full of the finest banquet delicacies.

The Farmington Times says that "L. A. DeArmond of San Bernardino, Calif., a merchant, and cousin and playmate of the late Congressman DeArmond, met with an equally tragic death on the 10th, that he was electrocuted while turning on a light in his store room, which had been flooded by a storm." This probably means D. W. DeArmond, at Colton, three miles from San Bernardino, but the home papers from there mention no such incident, and as neither town can be flooded, the report must be a fake.

We are in receipt of volume I, number 1, of the Marion Co., (Ark.) Democrat, published at Yellville by S. M. Buatt. Yellville is one of the best little towns in the Ozark country of Arkansas, and Brother Buatt shows by his first issue that he will do his town justice, and it is now up to the town to do justice by him.

**EXCHANGE NOTES**

A census is being taken of Dexter and the Messenger says that it will show that town to have a population of over 2,500.

If the tattlers and tale-bearers only knew one half of what the ordinary rural editor knows about what is going on around town, their tongues would never cease to wiggle.

If a country editor were to snap at all the inducements held out he would soon become a millionaire. If he ran a paper according to the popular notion he would be in the poor

house. If he published all the news that was sent to him he would be in jail half the time and in the hospital the other half.

When a man playfully points a gun or pistol at you, knock him down. Do not stop to inquire whether it is loaded or not, knock him down. Do not be particular what you knock him down with, only see that he is thoroughly down. If a coroner's inquest be held, let it be on the other fellow. He will not be missed.

Campbell Citizen: Work on the oil well at Clarkton was stopped last week because of the forty feet rise of quicksand in the pipe and the contractors did not have the necessary machinery to handle it successfully. The machinery is being shipped from Pittsburgh, Pa., and immediately after it arrives will be put in and the boring continued. The quicksand was reached at a depth of 170 feet quickly boiled up 40 feet, stopping the work.

The receipts into the game fund of the state under the new game law are passing all predictions. At the present time there is a surplus in the fund of \$62,290.24, with many counties to be heard from. The receipts for November already received foot up \$35,936.51 and the expenses of the department for the month only amounted to \$4,953.51.

The new law does not make any provision for distributing this surplus, which by the time the next legislature meets will doubtless reach \$175,000.

New Madrid Record: History relates that a young Frenchman, of New Madrid county went hunting with the Indians more than a 100 years ago, and visited the Indian camp on what is now known as Apple Creek in Cape Girardeau county. He there met and fell in love with a sister of Tecumseh, the greatest Indian Chief ever known in America. The maiden reciprocated the passion of Massonville; they were married according to the Indian rites and ran off to this country. Tecumseh followed and took his sister back to the tribe, but she escaped and returned and rejoined her young husband. They raised a very respectable family, and some of their descendants still reside here. W. P. Meatte of Portageville, is one of their descendants.

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 The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens Bank of Hayti, Hayti, Missouri, for the election of officers for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting, will be held at the bank, in the City of Hayti, Mo., on Tuesday, January 4, 1910, 9 a. m. All the stockholders are requested to be present.  
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