His Christmas Reverie.

I.

How fas' dey comes—de Chris-
muses!
Hit's des lak yisterday
Sence you en me wuz dancin'
One Chris'mus fur away!
De same wide worl' eroun' you—
De young folks sing en shout;
But w'en dey calls de quadrille,
Dey laughs, en—leaves us out!

II.

How fas' de time is flyin'!
How lonesome look de snow!
You feels de white worl' slippin'
'way—
You old befo' you know!
You never see no warmin'—
De time so fas' in flight
You turn ter say "Good mawn-
in',"
W'en—yan fer come de Night!

III.

Dey done fer us dem young
folks—
Wid all dey fa'laloos
Dat half a mile back yonder
Us folks w'z young folks, too!
En hearn de fiddles callin',
En tromp de flore groun',
En dance "Money Times in
Georgy"
En swing de sweet gals
roun'!

IV.

But I'm ole now an' waitin'
En still de Chris'mus sweet,
En still de fiddles makin'
A fidget in yo' feet!
De bass string's on de outside—
You hear de music soun';
Come in, you grayhead fellers,
En swing de ole gals roun'!

—Atlanta Constitution.

Court Notes.

The famous election bet case involving a wager of $500 between Hugh Mudd and Bud Dooley over the race for collector between Tom Yates and Nathan Rogers at last spring's Democratic primary was decided by a jury Wednesday in favor of Mudd. His attorneys were sustained in the contention that a primary was not an election within the meaning of the law. The case will be appealed.—Mercury.

A Thought For The Day.

"Whoso hath this world's goods and seeth his brother hath need and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?"

First St. John, 3, 17.

Cooperville Snakes.

Yes, we know that last Friday was close onto Christmas and the snake season is supposed to be over, even for Cooperville, but Mr. O. Nitchman assures us that while gathering corn his dog treed something and that he and his brother supposing it to be a rabbit, went to the dog and found him worrying a three foot water snake that was so chilled it could hardly wiggle enough to keep the dog off. Mat Losson now has good support for his snake story.

Lost Everything.

A letter received from Dallas, Texas, by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Egan of this city, was freighted with bad news. The home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Godfrey had been destroyed by fire and they by crawling through a window barely saved their lives. Not a thing was saved. Loss $1,000. Mrs. Godfrey sprained her foot and shoulder.

Miss Mattie Weaver, one of the accomplished teachers at the High School, is spending the holidays with the home-folks at Mt. Sterling, Ill.

Little Send Off.

The DEMOCRAT received a letter from Alfred Waddle last Thursday requesting us to give a "grand ball" that is coming off at Huntington, Dec. 29, a "little send off." The gentleman is an utter stranger to us and after reading his letter the thought, What kind of a "send off" has he ever or will ever give the DEMOCRAT. Some people fail to realize that balls cost attendants money and the only thing that a paper has to sell is space. Space that is not "blue sky" but space that always gives good returns. The gentleman requested us to run the "little send off" in two issues of the paper.

Special Notice.

Fancy paper, fancy type. The Democrat carries identically the same paper and script type that Mermod & Jaccard of St. Louis does. It does the same class of wedding invitation, menue, programme and visiting card work that they do, and it does not charge fancy St. Louis prices. That being the case, if you have any interest in your home or home pride, you will have your work done at home, for it will be done just as secretly as it can be done in the Future Great.

Look Like Thirty Cents.

During the past ten days the farmer's wives have been marketing their crop of turkeys at 14c and 15c per pound. During that time several car loads of the great American foul has been shipped from this point. There was dozens of them that weighed from 40 to 42 pounds each and they would have made the Roosevelt Thanksgiving turkey look like 30 cents on a platter.

Bright's Disease.

Brigh's Disease is no respecter of persons; it attacks men and women, the strong and robust, the rich and poor, the active body and brain workers, the fathers of families, the bread winners in every sphere of life, seeming to choose for its victims those only who can least be spared. Smith's Sure Kidney Cure is the only guaranteed remedy for Bright's Disease. Your money back if it fails to cure. Price 50 cents and $1.00. For sale J. J. Fitzpatrick.

For Sale.

A number of thoroughbred red Durock boars ready for sale and gilts at a bargain, if taken soon.

G. RAY ANEDRSON.

2 wks.

Attempted Suicide.

Last Friday night after a hard days drinking, Ed Walters, deputy sheriff of Ralls County, went out on the back steps of Schweitzer's saloon, Hannibal, and took a big dose of morphine. He had written an effectionate letter to Bess, his wife. Sunday it was known that he would recover.

Fancy Shooting.

Grandpa Allen Turnbough is not a kid by 80 winters, and yet he did on Monday what few men of 30 winters can do. He picked up a gun that he was not use to and went into the woods and without glasses shot three different times at three different squirrels and bagged all three of them.

Don't Believe 'Em.

O, scientists! seek not to show
(In mysteries so wealthy.)
When Sally's 'neath the mistle-
toe,
That kissing isn't healthy!

Highest prices are paid for poultry and eggs, hides, etc., at —BALZER & DIRIGO'S.

Bilious Colic Prevented.

Take a double dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as soon as the first indication of the disease appears and a threatened attack may be warded off. Hundreds of people who are subject to attacks of bilious colic use the remedy in this way with perfect success. For sale by all dealers.

WANTED—A trustworthy gentleman or lady in each county to manage business of an old established house of solid financial standing. A straight, bona fide weekly cash salary of $18.00 paid by check each Wednesday with all expenses direct from headquarters. Money advanced for expenses. Manager, 340 Caxton Bldg., Chicago.

Mrs. G. R. Ford, of Kansas City, is the guest of relatives in this city.

Madison Payne, of Warren, was in the city Monday enroute to Palmyra.

If you want calling cards of the latest and most fashionable style, printed with the latest type out for that purpose—script type has gone way back and sat down, but we can give it to you if you prefer it—the DEMOCRAT can get them out for you.

Dr. Hornback, Oculist and Aurist, Hannibal, Mo.

The Public Library will be open today from 2 to 4 p. m.

Node Green was a business visitor in the Bluff City Tuesday.

Alonzo Davis, of Hannibal, is the guest of relatives in this city.

Rev. T. P. Middleton and family are the guests of Mrs Jacob Rouse.

Attend the Catholic dance and festival at the opera house on the evening of Dec. 26. Good music has been provided for the occasion and those present are assured a pleasant evening.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are a certain cure for sick headache. If taken as soon as the first indication of the disease appears they will prevent the attack. Get a free sample at all dealers drug store and give them a trial.

You can not make a Christmas present to an absent friend which would be more appreciated than the DEMOCRAT for a year. Try it

If you want horses at your own price see J. R. B. Kidd. tf.

The Paris Mercury passed its 65th milestone on the road of Journalism last week. There is one beauty about the Mercury; it has opinions of its own and backbone enough to express them.

Railroad Time Tables.

Burlington Route

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All Trains Daily Except as Otherwise Noted.

* Daily Except Sunday.

Train No.	MONROE CITY TRAIN SERVICE.	Arrive.
	GOING WEST.	
15 ...	For Kansas City, St. Joseph Omaha Nebraska, Colorado, Pacific Coast, from St. Louis and Hannibal.	1:00 a m
41....	The Burlington-Northern Pacific Express for Northwest Nebraska, Black Hills, Wyoming, Montana, Washington, Puget Sound, Portland from St. Louis	1:03 p m
55....	For Kansas City, St Joe, Kansas and west from Chicago and Quincy	2:19 a m
3 ...	Local Passenger to Missouri River and west, from east	8.51 a m
5 ..	Nebraska, Colorado Express. to St. Joseph and west from the east.	6 14 p m
*91. .	Way Freight.	10:10 a m
	GOING EAST.	
16 ...	To Hannibal. St. Louis and east from west	3:14 a m
56 .	To Quincy, Chicago, Peoria and east St. L. K. & N. W.	12.40 a m
*6 ..	Local Passenger for Hannibal and St. Louis.	9:19 a m
*6 ...	Local Passenger for Quincy, Peoria Chicago, St. L. K. & N. W. points	9:19 a m
4....	Local Passenger to Hannibal. St. Louis Illinois, Chicago, Peoria, St. L. K. & N. W. points	2:22 p m
*92....	Way Freight	1:35 p m

J. L. LYON, Agent.

Missouri, Kansas & Texas.

	TRAINS SOUTH.				
No 15	Passenger Flyer	11:14 p m	No 83	Accommodation	9:53 p m
21	Accommodation	11:38 a m	51	Local Freight	8:15 a m
9	Buffalo to Kansas City Flyer	4:45 p m			
	TRAINS NORTH.				
16	Passenger Flyer	4:55 a m	84	Accommodation	5:18 a m
22	Passenger	2:57 p m	*52	Local Freight	5:37 p m
8	Kansas City to Buffalo Flyer	10:48 p m			

J. F. BLAKEY, Agent.

Wabash at Moberly, Mo.

	TRAINS EAST.				
No. 10	St. Louis Accom	6.00 a m	No. 8	Buffalo Mail via Han.)	9:30 p m
	K. C. & St. L	1:50 p m	4	Atlantic Express	1:50 a m
	Eastern Express	2:00 p m	14	Omaha Express	2:50 a m
6	Mail and Express	9:30 p m	64	Local Freight	5:20 p m
			70	Local Freight	5:00 a m
	TRAINS WEST.				
No 21	Kansas City Accom.	5:15 a m	No. 9	Fast Mail	6:25 p m
13	St. L. & K. C.	2:40 p m	1	Omaha Express	11:30 p m
3	Western Express	1:45 p m	7	Pacific Express	2:50 a m
			71	Local Freight	8:15 a m
	DES MOINES & OTTUMWA BRANCH.				
	TRAINS NORTH.			TRAINS SOUTH.	
	Pacific Express	1:40 a m	No 4	Atlantic Exp	1:55 a m
No. 3	Western Express	2:00 p m		Eastern Express	12:05 p m
71	Local Freight	6:30 a m	70	Local Freight	4:[illegible] m

H. E. WATTS, Pass. and Ticket Agt.