From near and from far, your hours to beguile;

And the merchant and housewife, the schoolboy and teacher,

Find subjects to interest or bring forth a smile.

It tells of the advent of each little stranger That comes to our world from the Heaven above,

Of wedding bells joyful, and bells tolling sadly For the passing away of the friends that we love.

And now, when you read it, this festival season, That brings kindly gifts to the young and the old,

Remember the news-boy who brings you this paper

Through storm and through sunshine, through heat and through cold.

And blessings and joy will he wish you forever, And see that your paper each day will appear, If you'll cheerfully help make for him what he wishes

To all of its readers—A Happy New Year!