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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1914

To all the readers of the Monitor,
big and little, we extend a
very sincere and hearty Merry
Christmas.

The observance of the Christmas
festival dates back to a very early
period of the Christmas era. One of
the first references to it is connect-
ed with a very sad circumstance
which will tend to remind us that we
live in happier days. Baronsia says,
"While the persecution raged under
Diocletian, who then kept his court
at Nicomedia, the tyrant, finding
multitudes of Christians, young and
old, met together to celebrate
Christ's nativity, commanded the
church door to be shut, and fire put
to it, which reduced them and the
church to ashes." This was about the
year 300, A. D. It is not probable
that the celebration of Christmas
day was the general practice at
that early date. The probability is
that as persecution ceased and Chris-
tianity became more widespread
and better understood, the Christian
people recognized the propriety of
marking in some special and con-
spicuous manner this greatest event in hu-
man history.

In later times customs were in-
troduced into the Christmas ob-
servance, some of which were copied
from the rude festivals of heathen-
dom, and the religious value of the
day was so far destroyed that re-
formers advocated and insisted upon
its entire neglect. A saner opinion,
however, has prevailed. Let every-
thing in the home, in the social cir-
cle, in the civic and national life
be purged from all habits and indul-
gences inconsistent with the purposes for
which the Christ-child came into the
world. One great fact which the
Great Teacher emphasized is the val-
ue of the child. He loved the chil-
dren. He took them in his arms, put
his hands upon their heads and
blessed. He rebuked his disciples
who endeavored to prevent the
mothers from bringing their children
to Him. He made the little child the
model to which every citizen of His
Kingdom must conform. Christmas
is more than any other day the chil-
dren's day. Let everything be done
to make the children happy and to
impress upon their plastic minds the
reason why the day is specially their
day and the day of special gifts and
congratulations.

The project of sending a shipload
of toys to Belgium in the endeavor
to put some rays of Christmas sun-
shine into the sad lives of the Bel-
gian children, must have originated
with a mother. And among all the
gifts which have crossed the ocean,
and the others which are yet to
cross, to that homeless and distress-
ed people, there has been none
which has so opened the fountain of
sympathetic tears as this of the
Christmas toys. A gentleman who
went on the Tremorvah with Nova
Scotia's first contribution reports
that he visited a hospital where a
number of Belgian children were be-
ing cared for. The sights he saw on
the pinched faces drew tears from
his eyes and constrained him to em-
pty his purse in the hope of assuag-
ing some of the misery.

We were about to say ruined Bel-
gium. We will take back that word.
The ruthless invader will be com-
pelled to vacate the land he has
claimed as his own, and the crushed
and bleeding nation will again be-
come free and prosperous.

The following is a beautiful let-
ter for you to send to your friend
as a Christmas greeting.

I am thinking of you today, be-
cause it is Christmas, and I wish
you happiness. And tomorrow, be-
cause it will be the day after Christ-
mas, I shall still wish you happy-
ness, and so on clear through the
year. I may not be able to tell you
about it every day, because I may
be far away; or because both of us
may be very busy; or perhaps be-
cause I cannot afford even to pay the
postage of so many letters, or find
time to write them. But that makes
no difference. The thought and the
wish will be here just the same.
Whatever joy or success comes to
you will make me glad. Without pre-
tense, and in plain words, Good will
to you is what I mean in the spirit
of Christmas.

The Government has not yet giv-
en any intimation as to whether or
not a "general hospital" will be
sent with the British Contingent.
Nurses can only be sent if the ques-

tion is decided in the affirmative.
But, many applications have already
been made. Some appear personally
at the office and others communicate
by letter. More than two thousand
names have been recorded of women
whose record makes them eligible
for the position. As the number who
went with the first contingent was
only ninety-eight, it will be seen
that the number of applications far
exceeds the number which under any
circumstances will be sent.

The applications are all voluntary
and show that the women of Canada
are as fully interested in the issue
of the war as are the men.

A DAY OF PRAYER

An order in Council was issued
last week, appointing Sunday, Janu-
ary 3, 1915, as a day of prayer
throughout Canada, for the success
of Great Britain and the Allies, and
for an early peace. The Order is as
follows:—

"Whereas our Empire has been
forced to take up arms in defence of
rights and liberties unjustly attack-
ed, and to fulfil pledges solemnly
given; we, therefore, believing it to
be fitting that our people should be
enabled to make a public and sol-
emn avowal of duty to Almighty
God, and of need of guidance have
thought fit, by and with the advice
of our Privy Council for Canada, to
appoint and we do hereby appoint,
Sunday, the third day of January
next, a day of humble prayer and in-
tercession to Almighty God, on be-
half of the cause undertaken by our
Empire, and our allies, and of those
who are offering their lives for it,
and for a speedy and favorable
peace that shall endure, and we do
invite all our living subjects through-
out Canada to set apart this ap-
pointed day as a day of humble
prayer and intercession."

This appointment synchronizes
with that already announced by
King George to the people of Great
Britain. We have no doubt that in the
home land, in Canada, and every-
where throughout the Empire, there
will be a union of hearts on the
first Sunday of the New Year, in
the appeal to God for an answer to
prayer in behalf of the objects par-
ticularly specified.

Remember the Belgians

Just a few words of appeal to the
readers of the Monitor for Christ-
mas in behalf of those brave men
who have done so much for us and
for their wives and children who are
homeless, ill clad and starving while
we are enjoying plenty. I wish every
reader of the Monitor, the generous
ones, as well as those tight fisted
ones who have spent their lives sav-
ing up for their own comforts and
have never felt the joy of giving to
a good cause could place in question
their own loved ones in the posi-
tion of these homeless and starving
people just for a short time on
Christmas day. I feel sure it would
open their hearts. At our home we
are planning to hang a stocking for
the Belgians and each one of the
family will want to put a little in
that stocking. In this or some other
way I wish every Monitor reader
would remember these people on
Christmas Day and see if it does not
make the day happier.

R. J. MESSENGER.

Forty Years Ago

(From files of Monitor, Dec. 1874.)
The complete returns from the elec-
tion in this County gives A. Long-
ley, 1211; W. B. Troop, 1177; E.
Bent, 1013; B. H. Parker, 994. This
returns for the whole Province shows
the Liberal Government sustained by a
good majority.

With sadness we record the fact
that J. S. M. Jones, Esq., a Govern-
ment surveyor of Weymouth, was
drowned a few days ago by breaking
through the ice while crossing a lake
in the woods. He leaves behind a
widow who is a native of Bridge-
town, and one child.

Mr. N. R. Morse has removed his
business to the Masonic Building.

MARRIED.—At Granville Centre,
Dec. 23rd, by Rev. W. H. Snyder,
Gilbert A. Ray, of Granville, and
Annie Troop, daughter of Joseph
Troop.

St. James Parish Church Notes

The services on Christmas Day
(Friday) will be:—

St. Mary's, Belleisle, 8 a. m.
St. James, Bridgetown, 11 a. m.

The music at St. James' Church
will be as follows:—

Opening Hymn—"O Come All Ye
Faithful."

Venite—Grand Chant

Te Deum—Singer

Benedictus—Beethoven's Chant

Antiphona—"Good Tidings"

Kyrie—Charlotte A. Barnard

Gloria Tibi—Rev. F. G. Plummer.

HYMNS.

"God from on high hath heard."

"Hark the Herald Angels sing."

"Holy night! Peaceful night!"

On Sunday the services will be at
the usual hours with Christmas mus-
ic at all services and a rendition of
carols in the evening.

Standfield's Ltd., Truro, has receiv-
ed an order from the British Gov-
ernment for 200,000 garments of un-

Bridgetown United Baptist Church

Prayer meeting on Wednesday eve-

ning at 7.30.

Sunday services: Bible School, at

10 a. m. Public worship at 11 a. m.

and at 7 p. m.

Christmas will be observed next

Sunday and services appropriate to

the occasion will be held.

The choir will render the following

anthems:

Morning Service

"And There Were Shepherds," Fudds

"Behold I Bring You Good Tidings,"

Clare

Evening Service

"There Dwelt in Old Judea," Griggs

"Sing O Heavens," Simper

On Tuesday, Dec. 29th, "Acadia

Night" will be observed. Dr. G. B.

Cutten, President of Acadia Univer-

sity, will deliver a lecture on "The

Psychology of Humor." After the

lecture which begins at 7.30 p. m., a

social hour will be spent and a

short programme rendered. College

songs, Refreshments. The public are

cordially invited. Silver collection.

CENTRELEA.

Prayer meeting on Tuesday evening

at 7.30.

Preaching service on Sunday after-

noon at 3.

Methodist Church Circuit Notes

Prayer Meeting this (Wednesday)

evening at 7.30.

Public services next Sunday, Dec.

27th as follows:—

Bentville—11 a. m.

BRIDGETOWN

10 a. m.—Sunday School.

3 p. m.—Masonic Service.

7 p. m.—Christmas service.

The pastor will speak on "The

Christmas Spirit and Europe's

Need." Special music by the choir in-

cluding the following anthems:—

"The Prince of Peace"

"There Were Shepherds"

"There Were Shepherds"

..... Charles Vincent

The Sunday School Christmas Tree

and exercises will be held in the

School Room, of Providence Church,

Tuesday evening, Dec. 29th.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. John Halliday and

family wish to tender their most sin-
cere and heartfelt thanks to all

kind friends for their kindness and

deepest sympathy shown to them in

their sad bereavement.

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FORECLOSURE SALE

1914 A. No. 2250

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Between

ABNER WILLIAMS, Plaintiff

—And—

OLIVER S. MILLER and CANADA

CALENDAR COMPANY, Defendants.

To be sold at Public Auction by

Edwin Gates, Esquire, High Sheriff

in and for the County of Annapolis,

or his deputy, at the Court House in

Bridgetown, in the County of Anna-

polis, on

Saturday, the 23rd day of January,

A. D. 1915, at the hour of two

o'clock in the afternoon,

Pursuant to an order of Foreclosure

and Sale made herein and dated the

17th day of December, A. D. 1914,

unless before the day appointed for

such Sale the amount due the Plain-

tiff on the mortgage foreclosed herein

with his costs be paid to him or his

solicitor;

All the estate, right, title, interest,

property, claim, demand and equity

of redemption of the above named

Defendants, and of all persons claim-

ing, or entitled by, from or under

them, of, in, to or out of all that

certain piece or parcel of land and

premises, situate, lying and being in

Bridgetown in the County of Anna-

polis, and bounded and described as

follows:—

That certain piece or parcel of land

and premises situate at Bridgetown

in the said County of Annapolis,

bounded and described as follows:—

Commencing on the Park Road

running past the east side of said

road, and intersected by a line running

across the south side of the said road

on the property herein described,

thence running westwardly in a

straight line along the south side of

the said barn to a point where the

said line running across the south

side of said barn would be intersect-

ed by a line drawn from a point on

the Granville Highway or Street,

forty-six feet from the embankment,

running past the east side of said

road, to the Granville Highway

or Street, thence turning and run-

ning southerly along the above de-

scribed line parallel with the house as

aforesaid, to the Granville Highway

or Street, thence turning and run-

ning southerly along said Granville

Highway or Street, to lands of the

said Oliver S. Miller, thence turning

and running northwardly along lands

of the said Oliver S. Miller, to the

base rear line of the said Oliver S.

Miller's land, until it comes to the

aforesaid Park Road, thence turning

and running southerly along the said

Park Road to the place of beginning.

Also the said Oliver S. Miller is to

have the privilege of encroaching upon