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"EMMANUEL—GOD WITH US."

By REV. E. C. EARP, B.A., Rector of St. Thomas's.

THIS is the fourth Christmas since the Armistice and it is the most hopeful of the four. Many difficulties and problems remain unsolved, but despite them all we can hear the angel's song of Peace this Christmas. The illusion of prosperity that followed the war is dispelled, the menace of unemployment has developed to alarming proportions, and the burden of taxation is heavy. Beyond the Empire the state of the world is alarming. Russia remains perturbed and rent asunder, and the rest of Europe groans its way amid famine and want. Asia is restless in its search for a place in the sun. East and West are meeting in these days when science and invention have combined in transforming the world into a neighbourhood. Within the Empire there are signs that the spirit of brave endurance which saved us in War will also keep us united in Peace. Mighty England threads her way through a thousand intricacies. She carries the burden of Empire, and faces her own problems in her own quiet method. Underneath all the apparent difficulty of the times England rests upon her solid foundations of good-will and service, of faith combined with action.

TWO outstanding facts stand forth like heralds of the Prince of Peace this Christmas. After many years there is promise of peace in Ireland. Let this Promise be hailed by all men of good-will in the hope that at last the internal strife of the Homelands may give place to lasting Peace. The Washington Conference gives promise of real results. Its influence on the future is incalculable and Christian men everywhere are earnest when they pray and hope that this Conference is bringing

CHRISTMAS JOLLITY.

By REV. R. E. FAIRBAIRN, Pastor George Street Methodist Church.

THE most surprising thing about Christmas is that there is so little about it that is really Christian—at least in origin. In popular feeling, Christmas is perhaps the most characteristically Christian season of the year. And indeed that is true. It is significant of the way in which Christianity seized upon all the jolly things that did not originally belong to it, and has eliminated the evil in them, heightened and brightened their jollity, and invested them with a special radiance of happiness.

IT was surely a masterpiece of unconscious genius that the early church adopted the date of December 25th upon which to celebrate the birth of Christ. Of course, we neither know the date, or even the season of the year, when Christ was born. Dec. 25th was the date of an age-old heathen festival, which the Romans called, *Dies natalis solis invicti*, "the birthday of the unconquered sun." It stood for the time when, after the long autumn decline in the sun's power, there came a change, and from then on each day became a little longer, and the sunshine a little stronger. What more natural or fitting that this occasion should be seized upon for the celebration of the birthday of the Unconquered Sun of Righteousness, and its festivity turned from sensuality and drunkenness, into the Christian rejoicing that life and immortality have been brought to light through the gospel. The mistletoe was the sacred plant of the Druids, whose pagan ritual involved, among other things, human sacrifices. Now its dread significance has been softened and civilized until it has come to stand for a tribute that is probably rendered with more willingness than it is exacted! Indeed it is not well known that young ladies of innocent aspect, will sometimes linger unaccountably in the vicinity of the white-berried spray, and seem reluctant to come away!

WE like to trace the Christmas carols back to the angelic chorus on the plains of Bethlehem. Commonplace reality however compels us to admit that they are most likely a modification of the songs of the medieval troubadours.

Tell-Tale Shadows.

Shadows have often proved guilt, but sometimes they have proved innocence. Perhaps the most interesting example of the latter occurred in the United States. A young man was accused of placing a bag containing dynamite in the porch of a house. The offence was alleged to have been committed between two and three o'clock in afternoon. Two young girls swore that they had seen a young man like the accused carrying the bag shortly before three o'clock. Inquiries showed, however, that

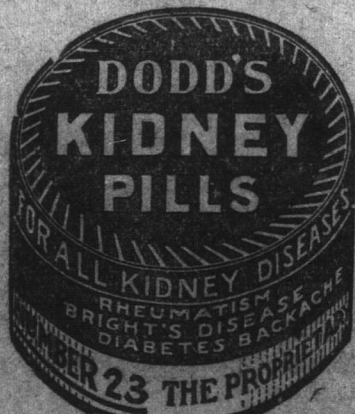
us nearer the time when war shall be no more. Thank God if America is to lead the forces that make for Peace. It matters not whether the "League of Nations" or the "Washington Conference" is the channel, so long as good-will is brought to men. In Newfoundland there are signs of returning prosperity. It is good to read of the prospects of trade revival and of awakened interest in things Municipal and Colonial. A land that offered her sons so freely in the war will surely seek to make her future worthy of the sacrifice they made.

"PEACE on Earth, Good-will to Men." The golden age lies onward. We cast no backward glances to the good old days; we have no yearnings for the imaginary perfection of bygone years; neither are we content with things as they are to-day. We look for a better, wiser, purer age, more enlightened than the world has yet seen. We have need for all our patience, our prudence and our determination. This is the day of Hope. By all the Hope that Jesus brings to men, let us renew our faith in ourselves, in our fellows and in our God. Leave the perplexities of life and ascend to the sublime simplicity of the Manger. Remember the village inn where Mary was refused admission and follow to the lowly chamber where Christ was born among the kine. We enter with the Shepherds and the Magi. Sometimes we argue concerning the Christ, sometimes we discuss Him, sometimes we explain Him, and sometimes we try to imitate Him. But today His invitation is simply this. "O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord." "Though Christ a thousand times In Bethlehem be born, If He's not born in thee Then thou art still forlorn."

which were almost everything except religious. The words Yule, and Yule-log, and Yule-tide are relics of Scandinavian heathenism. The word Yule is akin to our word Jolly, but it was associated with wild orgies of licentiousness. The lighting of the Yule-log was a kind of religious ceremony, but it needed the Christian ideal of the home to bring out the "best" significance of the old custom. What is there better in all our social life, than the gathering of sons and daughters, friends and neighbors round the venerated parents and the family hearth at Christmas-tide? The Christmas tree comes to us from German mythology. Without it Christmas would not be Christmas for the children. As a custom it was brought to England during the early years of the reign of Queen Victoria. Santa Claus is himself a German of the pre-war type, let us say. It is likely that all these customs would have died out, but they were revived and immortalized in the English-speaking world by the writings of two men, Washington Irving and Charles Dickens. It is even said that Charles Dickens made the English Christmas.

WELL, Christmas is after all the supreme justification for jollity, whether at this season or at any other time. It was the coming of God among men that has furnished the only possible justification for laughter and gladness in a world like this. And when you come to think of it, Christmas may be considered, quite reverently, as God's great joke. Coming among us in the lowly simplicity of human birth, God has turned all the pride and show of earth into a jest. Ever since then, mankind has looked upon the display of wealth and the trappings of power with a tolerant smile for the empty hollowness of it. All the vanity of the privileged, the ostentation of the rich, the truculence of the self-confident—we know these to be mere clownishness. What was it that took the glitter off the gold? What has made pride of place to be in such bad taste? What has sharpened our sense of real value and virtue? Why, the same thing that has given us everything else in our Christian civilization. It all comes from the Christmas spirit in the heart of God, symbolised to us for all time by the Young Child in the Manger.

service at a church more than a mile from where they deposited to having



seen the accused with the bag. It came out also that at the conclusion of the service they were photographed outside the church. The afternoon happened to be a very sunny one, and the shadows in the picture were distinctly visible. These were closely examined by scientific experts, who found that the position of the shadows indicated

the time to be 2 hours 21 minutes 30 seconds. As the girls had walked to the church and remained for the service before being photographed at twenty-one minutes past three, it was obviously impossible that they could have seen the young man with the bag of dynamite more than a mile away shortly before three o'clock.

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