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We wish all our readers a Merry Christmas.

As we are approaching the Christmas season, when we are expected to be kindly disposed towards our fellow men, we earnestly desire to be partakers of the good wishes and friendly dispositions of this festive time.

The struggle between the Government and the spirit of revolution still goes on in Russia. Every day brings fresh intelligence of strikes and outbreaks and threats of extraordinary violence from different parts of the country.

The general election campaign in the Province of Saskatchewan, which terminated on Wednesday last week, was an extremely hot one, and the final result is still somewhat in doubt.

The following intelligence from Ottawa throws some light on the hog question: An Order-in-Council which was recently passed prohibiting the importation of American hogs and which was never put in force, had been kept in suspense until such time as the Minister of Agriculture had discussed the whole matter with the Canadian packers of hogs.

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month half the hogs used came from the States. The Minister has yet to meet the Canadian breeders of hogs who are of the opinion that the packers could get hogs in Canada if they paid a little more for them.

The Meaning of Christmas Day.

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The season of Advent has drawn once more to its close, and the mystic exaltation of soul which the Christian religion annually nourishes in its adherents finds its fulfilment and reward in the birth of that Infant for whose coming Time and Humanity were so long consumed with hope and expectation.

DRAMATIC NOTE IN ADVENT SERVICES.

As the splendid drama approaches its solution, its may currents merge into ever fewer and deeper and broader. The follies, the passions, the extravagances of men, all the immemorial wrong and injustice of the world, all the stony-heartedness, and stiff-neckedness, the ingratitude and the treachery, the vanity and the waywardness, fall away from the stage and in their place moves out the central figure of Humanity,—its Teacher and its Lawgiver, its Liberator, its Reconciler.

Out of the thousand conflicting elements of the human story, there stand out three things,—the Internal Strife within the soul of man, the External Strife within the bounds of Creation, and the Great Reconciliation or Appeasement that was worked by Jesus Christ.

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and Plato, men of the East like Confucius and Buddha, men of theory like Aristotle, and men of practice like Solon and Numa,—all had attempted in some way to better mankind by their teaching or their laws.

"O Wisdom that goest forth from the mouth of the Most High, recumbent from end unto end, and disposses all things with strength and sweetness, come and teach us the way of prudence! O Orient, thou splendor of light eternal and sun of justice, come and shed thy rays upon those who are seated in darkness, even in the shadow of death."

First and only one of mankind, He was Himself perfect as His teaching. And He gave us His message "and perfect law its firmest support in the commentary of His own life and Death. In His Law there is nothing imperfect, confused, false sensual, and narrow as in the Law of Mahomet; nothing fundamentally immoral as in the Law of Buddha; nothing of the low rationalism of the Law of Confucius."

The true teacher must feel with and for his disciples. And so, when Christ would be born to teach all mankind to rise above itself, and to be again like the image of God, He entered into the most intimate relations with Humanity. Most men are poor, unhappy, pitiable; it is only the few who are otherwise, nor is their lot a certain one. So Jesus was born in a wretched manger and bore every pang and whip of poverty and sorrow; He was despised and dependent, that He might teach us how to look on all these things, might leave to the most helpless of our race the strong supporting philosophy of a Divine Example, might glorify and sanctify these menial conditions of our birth and training.

This day, nineteen hundred years ago, they were killing fat bees at the altars of the Temple, and repeating the solemn promises of the Lord that He would rend the heavens and rain down the Just One. Something, too, was stirring the hearts of men at Rome and in the Orient lands. A Virgin sings his mystic lines, that even yet seem the highest flight of human hope in days of despair.

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and the Temple. A new light falls on the pages of the Old Law from the Crib of Bethlehem. There is indeed a new Captain, a new Liberator, but no longer from the thralldom of Egyptian or Assyrian or Greek. This new Captain comes to break the gates of hell, to free the souls of men from their real oppressor, whom as yet they only dimly recognize.

"O Adonai, thou Leader of the House of Israel, who didst appear to Moses in the Law on Mount Sinai, come and redeem us in the strength of thy arm! O Key of David, and Sceptre of the House of Israel, who doest open and no man doth open come and free the captive from his prison-house, where he sitteth in darkness and in the shadow of death!"

IN THIS DOUBLE CONFLICT with the world within and without himself, man was being ground as wheat between the upper and the nether millstones. He did not understand the terms of the struggle, and his best efforts, both in the Law and outside of the Law went for naught.

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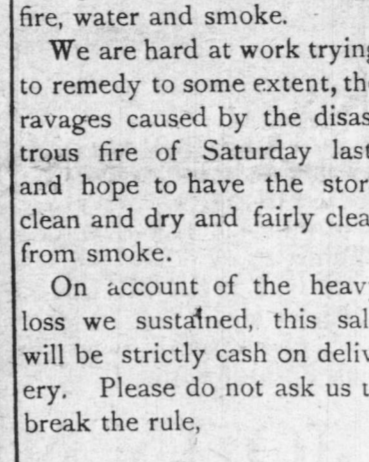
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On account of the heavy loss we sustained, this sale will be strictly cash on delivery. Please do not ask us to break the rule.

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