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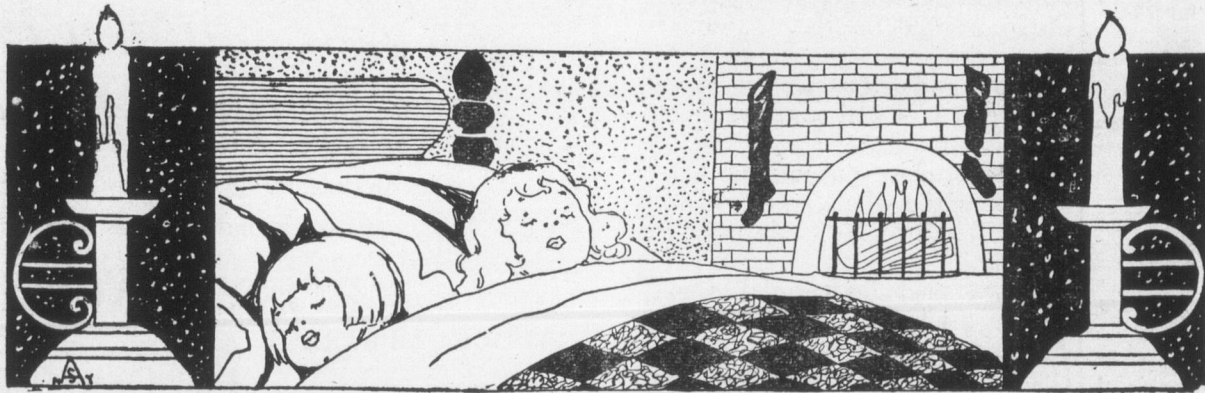


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A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year to All

**"AND ON EARTH,
PEACE"**

(REV. F. O. STEWART, Toronto.)

Thus sang the angels, in bold prophetic strain, on the night of Jesus' birth. These words describe the day when there shall be a settled peace throughout the world, overlooking all the intervening years, and exulting in the conclusions of the Saviour's mission. How certain it is that in all the campaigns of the Christian era mankind has been marching forward through brightening prospects toward the final victories of peace. The angels were right in proclaiming peace on the earth as a consequence of the advent of our Lord. Christianity, which renews the individual heart, is the only power that promises any renewal and pacification of society. The reformation of all outward evils and abuses must be the result of a genuine redemption and regeneration of humanity by the operation of such Divine power as is manifested in Christ. One who expects the petitions of the Lord's prayer to be fulfilled, and who believes that Christianity is yet to develop new powers, and win larger dominions, and completely triumph in the earth, can easily hold the doctrine of a coming day of universal peace. Shall we, whose Lord is at the right hand of God in power and glory, fail in this faith, when the prophets rejoiced in that day long before the

Messiah appeared, when the angels anticipated it while the Saviour was yet in swaddling clothes, and when the early disciples could see its dawning through all the darkness of their troubled age?

The kingdoms of this world are to become the kingdom of our Lord; not as being consolidated in any one comprehensive theocratic dominion, but as being severally pervaded and possessed with the Spirit of Christ; so that, however diverse their forms of government may be, each and all of them shall be administered in accordance with Christian principles, and peace will possess the earth just in the degree in which the religion of Christ shall become thus known and honored among the nations. For this reason, among many others, let all hearts rejoice at this holy Christmas season, because, so often as it comes around, the heavens seem to open again, and the angels are heard singing their praises and prophecies in the sky. Christmas comes, as the old year closes and the new year begins, with gracious revivings of faith and hope and joy. It republishes the glad tidings for all people. It fills the world with cheer. It bids us never despair of ourselves or of the world. In the unusual unselfishness that prevails, and in the generous feeling that pervades society, a better day and state are annually prophesied. The glad carols, the glittering Christmas trees, the solemn services, the infinite ministrations, the general and manifold joy are so many echoes of the angelic strain, full of predication and promise. If the remembrance of Christ can work such an annual and blessed miracle in the world, what

**Africa, Continent
Of Surprises**

The following is a paragraph taken from an essay, "The Clash of Color," which appeared in the July last number of The Living Message, the Anglican missionary monthly:

"We now deal with Africa as the continent of surprises. The lure of slaves, jewels, metals and ivory drew explorers to Africa ever since it has been linked with the civilized world. The Negro is not lazy, as we generally think, but appears so because of racial fears. When Christianity dispels he is very energetic and ambitious.

Lord Bryce says: The American Negro has advanced more in sixty years than the Anglo-Saxon has in six hundred. Negro education should be a sacred trust to the world. The future of the world depends on whether race co-operation or race domination is chosen by the whites."

shall the power of His indwelling Spirit finally accomplish? O that this Christmas mankind might worship Him and adore Him even as Anna and Simeon of old, and not merely celebrate the day of His birth by feasting and giving of gifts, but that conquered, they may fall at His feet and crown Him Lord of all in their lives.

**WHITE ATTORNEY ORGANIZES
INTER-RACIAL CLUB**

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 17.—Prominent representatives of the various racial groups who compose the cosmopolitan population of the city that boasts that "the springtime comes in the summer time, the summer time comes in the fall; the fall comes in the winter time and the winter time doesn't come at all," recently met at the invitation of Leland G. Stanford, a prominent white attorney and organized the Cosmopolitan club, an inter-racial club composed of all races of San Diegans.

The club, which meets in the reception room of the Y. M. C. A. every Sunday, has for its object the improvement of racial conditions in San Diego and Southern California. Members of all races are invited to join and there is no membership fee.

At the last Sunday meeting among the speakers were Mayor J. Bacon, D. V. Allen, president of the local branch of the N. A. A. C. P.; Rev. J. J. Nakamura, pastor of the Japanese Congregational Church of San Diego; and a debate on "The Problem of Oriental Exclusion," with Harold P. Milnos, of Oakland, Calif., teacher of public speaking, opposed to the measure; and Bertram L. Comporet, local attorney, supported it.

At the next meeting W. N. Galbreth will speak on "What the Negro has contributed to America." A special musical program will be given by colored talent.