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"GLORY to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."

The HEADLIGHT wishes you a Merry Christmas, also a Happy New Year.

CHRISTMAS giving is of two classes. One is prompted by friendship. The other grows out of a habit the American people have fallen into of giving indiscriminately, thoughtlessly—a sort of "I treat you and you treat me" habit, which does no credit to our common sense, or to good motives. Those who belong to this class of givers do not give from any friendly motive. They give because they expect Tom, Dick and Harry to give them something—the habit, having become well-nigh universal—and because they accept gifts, they feel under obligations to return the favor. We do not want to be outdone by our neighbors. The result is, that we all make fools of ourselves in our attempts to keep up with the procession. We buy things we cannot afford, and give them to persons for whom we have no special friendship—persons who do not appreciate them any more than we appreciate the meaningless gifts which come to us from those who give from habit rather than true friendship or genuine sentiment. Many deny themselves the actual necessities of life in their foolish efforts to give simply because they have been given to, or expect that they will be remembered at holiday-time.—Exchange.

**The Real Value of a Gift.**  
Indiscriminate and thoughtless giving cheapens the sentiment which ought always to invest friendship with a sweet and tender meaning. But, necessarily, our real friends must be few. It is well to remember these with gifts which express the regard we have for them, but it is not wisdom for us to go beyond the limit of what we can well afford. The true value of a gift is not determined by the money it costs, but by the motive that prompted its giving. A little, simple, inexpensive thing that comes to us from some one who loves us has a value that can not be reckoned in dollars and cents. It is what the gift means to us that makes it beautiful and precious.

**The Character of Our Gifts.**  
There is another phase of gift-giving that should be touched on, and that is—the character of our gifts. Too many of us are in the habit of giving gewgaws—things meaningless and next to worthless in themselves, and poorly calculated to express our regard for those to whom we give them. What gift can be better, for instance, than a good book—one that will not be laid aside with one reading, but will become a companion for the spare hour. Or a picture, which will preach

to us constantly, its sermon from the gospel of beauty, and remind us, every time we look at it, of the friendship that promoted its giving.  
Why not let many of our gifts be of a practical sort? Have you ever given this phase of the matter any thought? If you haven't, think it over now, and see how far you can make your Christmas money go in giving really sensible gifts. If you were to give grandmother a pair of soft, warm slippers, don't you honestly think she would have a little warmer feeling for you at heart every time she put them on, than she would have if you were to remember her with a piece of fancy china for which she has no use? The physical sense of warmth and comfort growing out of the dear old lady's use of your slippers becomes transmuted into her regard for the giver of the gift. A simple gift can perform its mission perfectly.

**The Influence of Kindness.**  
Let us not lose sight of the fact at this season when the spirit of giving is abroad in the land, that there are other gifts than material ones. Kind words, cost but little. But their influence reaches far. A pleasant word to the overworked girl behind the counter, an act of thoughtfulness by which we make her feel that we consider her something more than a machine whose services are paid for at so much a day, therefore entitled to no consideration from us, may carry with it a pleasure that would not go with a costly gift. For kind words and thoughtful deeds—which might be so common, but which we often make so rare—have a value that cannot be reckoned by any financial system. The story is told of a poor old woman—poor, that is, in this world's goods, but rich in the possession of a heart so large, so warm, so tender toward everybody that the door of it seemed always wide open with a welcome to those who had cleared where to seek for comfort. She never had anything but kind words and love to give away, and though poor, she was nevertheless one of the most generous women who ever lived. Those whose lives came under the influence of her kindness felt that she had given more than that she could ever repay. She had helped them, strengthened them, comforted them, by her sunny smile and her cheerful words. Compared with what she had given to those about her, our ordinary gifts sink into insignificance. Shall we not, at this season, profit by her example, and give kind words for Christmas gifts if we have nothing else to bestow? The music and the memory of them will linger long in the lives of those to whom we give them, it may be, and who knows what good may grow out of the gift that costs so little.—Ex.

Houston, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Rosa Fowler of Humble is in Houston searching for her daughter, aged 14, who she claims was abducted from a convent in this city on Nov. 14. Both city and county officials have been trying to find the alleged abducted child, and have finally run down a clue, which they believe will aid them in locating her. It is said that information has reached them to the effect that the girl is now in Columbus, where she was taken by a Bohemian woman. It is alleged that this woman is now in Houston, and leave the care of the Catholic sisters. Officers at Columbus have been notified and asked to take the case in hand.

**Things We Do Not Print.**  
There are always a few items of news that we never print. If it's something that would hurt the feelings of any one who might read it, we leave it out. If it is something that would reflect upon the character and good name of some person, we leave it out; if it is something that would not be nice to read around the fireside and in the presence of the children and ladies, we never print it; if it is something that would make anyone feel good we want to print it; if it is something that would make a few hearts lighter we are glad to print it; if it is something that would encourage some one to lead a better life we are anxious to print it. There is enough that is good and wholesome to fill this paper every week in the year.—We like to lead the reading public into higher and nobler ways of thinking if we can. We like to do all we can for the improvement of society and the betterment of mankind.—We believe that there is more of good than bad in the world, and that part of our duty is to pick out the good and overlook the bad. There is enough of pain, sorrow and heartache in this world without heaping coals of fire on the flames of shame and regret by parading the faults of those who err. That is our style and that is the kind of paper we believe in making. If that suits you we are glad to hear you say so.—Duncan Banner.

We will be glad if you will telephone us of your visitors, or any other item of local news—our phone is number 88.  
An exchange advertises a cow for sale as follows: "Full-blooded cow for sale, giving milk, three tons of hay, a lot of chickens and several stoves."  
We have secured the agency for Orino Laxative-Fruit Syrup, the new laxative that makes the liver lively, purifies the breath, cures headache and regulates the digestive organs. Cures chronic constipation. Ask us about it. Sold by Eagle Lake Drug Co.  
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The evil of a foul stomach is not alone the bad taste in the mouth and the foul breath caused by it, but the corruption of the pure current of blood and the dissemination of disease throughout the body. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes the sour and foul stomach sweet. It does for the stomach what the washing and sun bath do for the churn—absolutely removes every taint, or corrupting element. In this way it cures flatulency, indigestion, acid stomach, sourness, on open sores, ulcers and all forms of disease arising from impure blood. If you have bitter, nasty, foul-taste in your mouth, coated tongue, foul breath, are weak and easily tired, feel depressed and despondent, have frequent headaches, dizzy attacks, gnawing or distressing stomach, constipated or irregular bowels, sour or bitter risings after eating and poor appetite, the management of your stomach, a number of them, indicate that you are suffering from biliousness, torpid or lazy liver with the usual accompanying indigestion, or dyspepsia and their attendant derangements.  
The best remedy known to medical science for the cure of the above symptoms, and for the relief of all the ailments mentioned, is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This is absolutely true and will be readily proven to your satisfaction if you will but mail a postal card request to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for a free copy of his book of extracts from the standard medical authorities, giving the names of all the ingredients entering into his world-famed medicines and showing what the most eminent medical men of the age say of them.

These little bum tent shows are about to take the town.  
A full line of moulding for picture frames at Harrington's.  
Get your Fruit Cake Liqueur from Jim Westmoreland's saloon.  
Mrs. Jas. Everitt Lissie was shopping in the city Monday.  
A handsome line of picture frames just in at Harrington's Photograph Gallery.  
Ask your dealer for Stoermer's metal.  
Mr. James W. Carter of Elbridge was in the city Tuesday.  
Special Fruit Cake Brandy at Jim Westmoreland's Saloon.  
Have Stoermer shack and shed that corn for you! It DRY'S to feed ground grain.  
Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Burger spent Sunday with relatives in Columbus.  
Stoermer does pipe repairing and plumbing.  
Leave orders for piano tuning with Calvert's Drug Store.  
Mr. L. Goldsmith left Saturday for a few days' business visit to New Orleans.  
All kinds of shop made saddles at Baring's.  
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Get Veston's prices on harness and wagon harness before buying.  
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Protect your families. Don't let the impurities of the air wash directly into your cistern.  
Mr. Ed. Rand, a prominent citizen of Alexandria, Louisiana, spent several days in the city this week.  
I have the agency for the "SPIRELLA" Corsets. They have the spiral stays, and are non-rustable and non-breakable. Guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in every respect. Friends and customers are invited to call and see samples. Mrs. L. ELL.

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The article in last week's issue of the Times, criticising business men for sending away for their printing, aroused considerable comment, and some have been charitable enough to acknowledge the error of their way and agree to curtail the unfair practice. In our way of thinking, the habit of patronizing mail order houses is just as prevalent among business men as it is among farmers, and we are tired of all the knocking going on way. We find farmers among our best friends, and we would request each farmer, that when he takes a merchant's order to scrutinize it closely, and look for the imprint of a foreign concern, which is usually in very small type just underneath the body of printing; and if you find that it was not printed at home, and it is a job that could be handled by the home printing plants, just drop that firm like a hot potato and put him down as practicing something he knocks against.—Cabool (Mo.) Times.

Roy C. Oakes, vice-president of the First National Bank, has been honored by Gov. Hasbrell with an appointment as one of the Oklahoma state bank examiners. Mr. Oakes leaves today to begin his work and all of his friends know that he will "make good."—Sulphur (I. T.) Democrat.  
Roy was a Columbus boy, son of the well known teacher, Mrs. Kate Oakes.  
Sam Speakes, a well known negro boy about town, was arrested Sunday by Deputy Marshal Payne and taken to jail in Columbus Monday. He is charged with attempt to burglarize the home of Mr. J. D. Garmon Saturday night. Speakes was arrested a year or so ago charged with attempting to burglarize Mrs. Odum's house, but as there was no convicting evidence against him, he was released.  
Mr. T. Y. Mason of Matthews was in the city Monday. Mr. Mason stated that he still had considerable corn and several bales of cotton left in the fields but on account of the continued rains, he had been unable to get his hands into the fields.  
Mr. G. A. Mohle left Monday with his car of household goods for his new home in Beville. Mrs. Mohle left the following day for Gonzales where she will spend the holidays before going to Beville.  
Contractor G. M. Malmquist left Monday night for Sealy where he has the contract for the erection of a 40x100 foot brick building.  
The HEADLIGHT has it "on the Q. T." that there will be two weddings in Eagle Lake on Christmas Day. Guess!

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