

Bellefonte, Pa., December 26, 1890.

CHRISTMAS EVE.

What! Hark! 'tis the Holy Night! All over the land the snows are white, Above the world the stars shine bright, Sleep, little ones, t'is the Holy_Night!

"Will the blessed Christ-Child come again? Ah! my children, valley and glen, Palm and fir tree listen as when The angels sang "Good will to men."

But none but the shepherds heard the song, Or caught the flash of the radiant throng; None but the wise men saw the star Shining and beckoning from afar.

"Ah! but the Christ-child, will he come?" What shall we say whose lips are dumb? How shall we answer the wondering eyes

That watch and wait for the sweet surprise How shall we teach the lesson of faith That through the centuries ever saith The babe's all come though we do not see The wonderful mystery?

All good gifts doth the Christ-Child bring; Sleep, my babes, while the angels sing, Sing of that morning far and dim When wise men brought their gifts to him.

And we through the night-watch think of her Who breathed the frankincense and myrrh And knew, though all the world were dumb That the blessed Christ at last had come.

Christmas Day.

Is It to Be Observed Simply as a Day of Give and Take ?-How to Make It Most Blessed.

Christmas time and good cheer are synonmous terms. If there is a period in the whole round of the toiling, scheming, sinning world when life seems less burdensome and home joys more real, it is when paterfamilias begins to come home at night with his pockets bulging out with knobby bundles. It is when the youngest boy confers darkly with his mother concerning some secret which has to do with his father. It is when the oldest boy in vain tries to conceal an awkwark looking package, six inches one way and seven by nine the other, by crowding it into his coat-tail pocket. When the at-mosphere, all about, is redolent of good wishes and happy surprises, and musical with words of charity and good-will for

Yet to many people the coming of Christmas is anticipated with dread and looked back upon, when past, with a feeling of relief. because the holiday has come to mean "give and take."

It is no exaggeration to say that thousands of good people in this land have forgotten how to give. Christmas presents represent to them a matter of exchange. To another class, who have loving hearts, but slender purses, the thought of Christmas brings embarrassment and envy. Is there not something wrong in that idea of Christmas time which expresses itself in a conversation like this:

"Mother, what on earth can I get for the Delaneys this year? You know they will be sure to send us something this year as they did last. "I'm sure I don't know. You might

give the two girls those vases we saw in the city yesterday."
"Indeed I won't. I mean to get those vases for Aunt Carrel and Cousin Fanny. But" (with a sigh) "we must

get them something I suppose.

"Yes, I suppose we must. What a bother, isn't it?" Or take an instance of a different

kind, like the following:
A young man, a clerk, perhaps, with limited means, receives an invitation from his paternal uncle to spend Christmas at his house, where he will meet a host of friends. He knows that they will remember him in some way, and yet it is impossible for him to make each of them a present without going

far beyond his means. He is forced either to refuse the invitation and to spend the day in some poorer amusement, or to accept and be mortified at his inability to give presents equal to those which he expects to

Many persons at Christmas time are perplexed with such thoughts as these: "How can 1 give presents to all my friends, though I would like to? They will think I am mean if I do not

remember them.' The time, which of all times should be blessed with peaceful, loving thoughts, bustles with anxious scheming as to how a pint may be made to appear

as large as a quart. Could we read the hearts of many persons the day after Christmas we should be more grieved than surprised to read there: "I'm glad another Christmas is gone! Now I shall not have to make any more presents for a year at least!"

Is Christmas to be observed simply as a day of give and take? Shall our best thought concerning it be the thought that the presents we gave out were equal in value to those we re-ceived? Shall not noble souls try to make the day memorable not by the exchange of gifts, but by the expression of

Our beloved Master gave the world Himselfas His best Christmas gift.-Youth's Companion.

Christmas Wreaths In Windows.

We want a little more of sentimentality in this world and a little less real-The Christmas wreath, the star of Bethlehem hung in your windows and mine tells the outsiders that we believe that the Christ has come, and that we wish good-will to men. In many a home it is the only token of Christmas and the bit of green, telling as it does, of a belief in the present and a hope for the future, is something too precious to be cast aside. Say, mother, that it is your boy or mine far off in some city alone on Christmas Eve; say that he has done that which is wrong and has fled from the sight of all who knew him; say that he has been wandering around wondering what they are all doing at home, thinking of the time when he helped fix Christmas' wreaths, and now there seems no home, no God, nothing for him. He passes by his neighbor's window, and the bright light from across the street shows him the green wreath and the red star just as it was last year. It is in somebody else's window, to be sure, but then he knows that though the world is so big, around wondering what they are all do

though the people are so many, there are yet those who put up the sign of joy and gladness that gives him, a stranger within the gates, a thought of a new life and a willingness to go ahead, with all his might, that he may go back, not like the prodigal, to the old home and be welcomed with joy and honor. That's what the wreath in the window does: It whispers in every berry, in every green sprig, of hope and encouragement, and it tells again and again that the angels are proclaiming afresh, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace and good-will to men."-ISABEL MAL-LON, in Christmas Ladies' Home Jour-

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Charles Brumgard, farmer, Miles.
Robert Robison, laborer, Huston.
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J. C. Miller, book-keeper, Bellefonte,
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Sam'l Musser, farmer, Ferguson.
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