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Christmas Contributions to

and flumor,

By Well Known Local Writers.

CHRISTMAS IN ENGLAND.

Holiy oh ! and mistletoe ! This is the Cry in the streets, resounding from justy throats. that reminds the denizens of English town of the near approach of Christmas. Every house must have its bunches of green holly with its varnished, prickly leaves and pers receive a double allowance. bright red befries, and at least one good spray of pale-berried mistletoc. Without day as Christmas except with the shoprooms of the well-to-do, and the "living room" of the artisan or cottager, Christma would not be Ohristmas.

Among other tokens of the coming the great Christian holiday ave mime. Then there are the toy shops with their wealth of wondrous devices for juven de diverson and parental expenditure. The beeres, sheep, calves and pigs, so huge and bulging with suct and other

the regulation response: "The same to you and witty wishes, Christmas in England and many of 'em." For a week before Christmas day the

nights are made melodious by the songs and iy life. music of the "white"-bands of roving serenaders, amateur and professional, some respectable, many disreputable and seeking the bounty of the benevolent in return for their midnight performances. On Christmas eve the whole night resounds with carols, such as.

and other "seasonable and familia Money and good cheer reward the nocturout 'Orpheus, and, the early policeman to all men." catches several hourse and helpless worms. Steaming "egg hot" is the regulation in dalgence for those who are not tectotalers and the "compliments of the season" are tendered in a glass of the seductive com pound. In the village churches the "quality folks" vie with each other in the decoration to the present, there have been what the of the solemn interior with overgreens and appropriate mementoes. Bushets of game from country cousins give joy to relatives periods of excitement, when the evil pas part of the land.

Years, the parting guests carry with them the Lord of life, to choose good and reject above his fellows, hides all beyond.

day, when Boxing Day is kept on the fol- of Truth and Righteousness; such are the with boulders, making travel exceedingly lowing Monday. A present then is called a grand tests required in all ages of the difficult. There an excellent camping ground the disposal of McDuff. On their informa- here and martyr took its flight to the realms "Christinas box." This term arises from Saints of the Most High. Delved like prec- is reached, with timber, water, grass and tion people were arrested. "In that day of peace, where the just intelligences the "Nows" Columns. "Christinas tox." This term arises from clous for the about right. Derived into previous of the cost of the about right. Derived into previous of the cost of the about right. Derived into previous of the cost of the about right. Derived into previous of the cost of the about right. Derived into previous of the cost of the about right. Derived into previous of the cost of the about right. Derived into previous of the about right right. Derived into previous of the about right rig

and to immediate relatives and friends. of Delty, and rung like suspected coins on Poor relatious look for substantial Christ-the counters of the Exchanger, ere they are which merge from under the huge masses mas Loxes from their rich kins, accepted as legal tenders of the Government, of snow and ice in the ravines, and dashing

men. Employers make presents to their em- of God and numbered among the treasures down the rocky glens and over precipices, ployes. No firm, household or establishment of His realm. of any repute fails to reward its faithful Well has it been said by Zion's poetess: place whence they issued forth. servants on Boxing Day. In rural districts "It is no trifling thing to be a Saint." It is The greatest depth of the lake has never ing by apostate sples, made their appear-

indigent, and in the workhouses the pauthese to decorate the dining and drawing keepers. At night the new pantomines are counted to him for righteousness. Was it bounds.

butcher's shops displaying marvellously fat all classes of society. Though originally a

houses, the gin shops, those traps for the unwary, they are ablaze with light and glistening with mirrors, decanters, shifting ing and boilted cordisis; raffles for gesec and turkeys, "free-and-easy" concerts and other allorements to catch the "nimble six, pence," draw crowds to drink, and "teard, and uriging of church bells, tho music of the inging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho music of and uriging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho form to the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho form to the raging of church bells, tho finds a corresponding warmin in the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho form to the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho form to the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho form to the raging of church bells, tho music of the raging of church bells, tho music ot of blashing yourit, the jost and the sentiment, the riddle and the jole, the inducle gene and the blackneyed sentiments the regulation response: "The same to you

crowns each year with a halo of brightness

The country is better for it. Trade is when the ocean like an angry lion shall toss relieved when such an event did not occur. stimulated. Money is circulated. People his mane and roar; when the solid globe In the winter season snow falls to a great father, are brought together in social intercourse, shall shiver as an ague-stricken mortal, depth in the mountains around, and the McD. That essential union which consists of the when the artillery of God's wrath shall lake itself becomes a sheet of ice. Though will do sympathy and fraternal laterest that draws thanderstrike the naiverse, and the snn, at that time of the year it is almost impossi-soul to soul is promoted. And something of moon, and starry hosts of heaven shall trem-ble to reach the place. the weather opens the spirit breathed upon the world by the ble and retreat before the advance of the up very early in the spring for such an al-"While shepherds watched their flocks by hight, All sleeping on the ground," God-man who is the ever living Christ, comes down upon the many sincore cele-brators of his earthly birth, and the refrain ward the good for their integrity and en-farming iands in the valley below.

of the angels resounds through the nation, durance, and to reign in peace, power, and prompting the people to give heed to the righteousness from the rivers to the ends of nal vocalisis, often until Bacchus knocks Joyful tidiuge: "Peace on earth, good will the earth. O. F. W.

hose feelings of friendship and affection evil, to practice virtue and shun vice. to The road which approaches from the love those who hate in return, to pray for south, though over steep hills, is compara those who persecute and betray, to shad tively easy to travel until the lake is the third for our stand generally on Boxing Day. In as charity is generally on Boxing Day. That is the day after Ohristmas proper, un-and hostile efforts of the wicked, and through a grove of timber along the western ess Christmas, as this year, comes on Satur- if needful iny down life itself in the cause shore, where the ground is literally strewn

reach the placid lake within a mile of the

the aged men and women who are past the an arduons, iron-handed reality. But ar- been ascertained, though at a point about ance. The worshippers fied to a morass, rears of toil are made glad by gifts of flan- duons as it is, it is not impossible. God half way across to the opposite side from into which the soldiers could not follow.

keepers. At night the new pantomines are brought out at the theatres, which are crammed from gallery to pit and are often a scene of noise and disorder during the Yet the sacridee was made, and a world's fills the channel of about twenty feet in After the feelings of the mourners were thing that there a scene of noise and dworder duving the version, and daughters of Goddo as He has dope, so a number of smaller lakes bordered by good woman should be burled was dis-

Christmas fun complete nuless they can go to the play" on Boxing night. Christmas in England is the holiday of holidays. It is celebrated in every nook holidays. It is celebrated in every nook and corner, in paince and in prison, and in the Almighty will test the faith and endur-and corner, in paince and in prison, and in the least celebration and now having religi-religions celebration and now having religithe pressure is withdrawn, will be accounted Dirty Devil—a misnomer, for the water is imperfect and discarded as a thing of little clear as crystal, except when rendered

nowers and streamers and study or a-ments. Then there are the jewelers, haen drap-ers', clothiers', crockery, glassware, fancy goods and other shops, fairly aglow with holiday attractions. And as for the public houses, the gin shops, those traps for the unwary, they are ablaze with light and clictaning with wirrors, decauters, shings

faith as a tower reaching to heaven. Then Sevier Stake Mutual Improvement Associamay you stand firm and fearless, awalting with tion Conference was being held there, some and sends through society a thrill of heaven-iy hfe. may you stand brinting leares, availing the series of them were exceedingly fearful lest it when all things that can be, will be shaken; should be seized by the monster, and seemed

J. H. A.

drinking, relaxation and rollicking merel. of the moon, must not expect to blaze with tains of San Juan County loom up, almost Bruce were compelled to seek shelter in the miderness. O God receive my

ment hurry away the hours till the miduight chines proclam the close of Ohristmas day, when "the hest of friends must part." and amid God bloss you's and Bappy New Years, the parting guests carry with them serted, the people refusing to attend, and streaming from their eyes. Not one would occasionally the soldiers were employed to obey the order.

A set of a s

herd them into the building, otherwise it The officer snatched a carbine from one of would have been entirely empty. them and discharged its contents into the The curates were assisted by numerous breast of the good man, who fell to the sples, who professed great friendship for door of the cave and immediately expired. the people and thus ingratiated themselves It being now far past mudnight, upon that into the: confidence. Two were placed at Christmas morning the spirit of a genuine

YOUNG IMPROBABILITIES.

the peasantry, who were much devoted to Astronomical Deductions and the exiled minister, carried food to them. Peculiarities. In this way four years were passed. One night Mr. Bruce was preaching in the woods to a number of peasants, when a troop of

Enough to Silence if Not Convince. soldters, who had been notified of the meet-

I used to study astronomy. One can years of toil are made glad by gifts of flan-nel and varions articles of wearing apparet, also tea and wine or a package of tobacco. Blankets and wraps are distributed to the indigent, and in the workhouses the panto offer np his only son, but his faith was leves, which looks as though it were thrown is allowance. Boxing Day is almost as much of a holi-graf. State of the song of the test, and his willingness to off t with a digestive survey, giving ay as Christmas except with the shop. able propensity to be engaged in some-thing that there is no money in; so Among other tokens of the course of the spectacular diversion, of the great Christian holday are the great Sortes's windows marvelously adorned with pudding materials and "sweetstiff," surrounded by ornaments of tea-caddy lead and fancy papers, and it up with innumerable. Christians candles re-flected in the boys of the towns do not consider their spectra the for the spectacular diversion, since a second the great of the spectacular diversion, and daughters of God do as He has dope, so the spectacular diversion, since a spectacular diversion, sof haveleguin and columbine, the mediant "sweetstiff," surrounded by ornaments of the transformation scenes, alive with fairies, and radiant with changing illuminarioes, dressed up with interest prove the trait of the spectacular diversion, the columbine, the mediant "sweetstiff," surrounded by ornaments of the transformation scenes, alive with fairies, and radiant with changing illuminarioes, dressed up with interest prove the trait of the spectacular diversion, with the traisformation scenes, alive with fairies, and radiant with changing illuminarioes, the traisformation scenes, alive with fairies and radiant with changing illuminarioes. The boys of the towns do not consider their of the upper deep that an ordinary people cannot to the play" on Boxing night. Christmas in England is the holday of the duration scenes and it up the traisformation scenes, alive with dazyling as a scene in a Christmas parte-mine. Then there are the toy-shops with the scenes do the streage and the day is counted with the day is counted with the bade that he has forme 4,60. The downs of the bade that he has forme 4,60. The towns of the blade that he has forme 4,60. The towns of the blade that he has forme 4,60. The towns of the blade that he has forme 4,60. The towns of the blade that he has forme 4,60. The towns of the blade that he has forme 4,60. The towns of the blade that he has forme 4,60. The towns of the blade that he has forme 4,60. The towns of the blade that he has forme 4,60. The

buge and buiging with suet and other transmed with garces in the sevence is with a and unless the material is solid (which it was not in our case) there will be an increase or bulging out of the subthe church and asked Andrew what his con-"My daty was so plain it required ao destance at that part of the circumference which is equi-distant from the termini of the axis, the latter, in this instance, being imaginary, as most people will say all that is here-in contained is; hence a slight depres sion at the poles, or points on the sur-face at which there is no revolution. How the with got to be a member of stance at that part of the circumference liberation. . You may thrust your sword through my body, but I will not betray my McDnff said: "We will see what torture] Andrew looked at him with seora and at How the earth got to be a member of the sun's retinue. I don't know, and therefore won't tell; the presumption the thumbkin without emotion. The guard held Andrew while the spy put on the thumbkin. At first he did not is that he was the nearest sum to our mother when the latter was evolved, and his attraction was so powerful that between the straight line we wince. As it lightened he writhed and changed color. Dalziel was about to say

A CHRISTMAS REVERIE.

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Behold a woman 1 On her queenly brow A crown of stars, twelve gems of glory shine. Her mantle is the sun ; beneath her feet The moon's pale lustre beams. Fair as the morn She looketh forth, sublime, yet terrible As army wielding banners. Who is she? The Bride, the Lamb's wife, waiting for her Lord.

'Tis Time's meridian, Earth's noon of life, And God, the Father and the Sou, doth dwell In ficsh, below all else descended ; Word That was with God, was God, and is for aye ; In glory with the Father ere the world, And yet with Him to reign forevermore. Himself the Father, Spirit all supreme, Maker of worlds all numberless below, and Sire of spirit millions waiting still, In primal sphere, the first probation; Son Of God, because of flesh, He doeth o'er All He hath seen, erstwhile, the Futher do.

O'er Him the world doth marvel. Some e'en say Elias, shan of Herod, lives again ; And some say Jeremins. Vain their fear t 'Tis Christ, the Lamb of God, for sinners slain From Earth's inception ; Lord of Endless Lite. Foredoomed to die that man forefor might live ; The Greater Oue, Elias said should come, Nor he alone, bright herald of the Morn, But holy prophets all, since Time Legan ; A King without a kingdom, of this earth. Though Ruler over countless realms above.

And there are Twelve that stand His face before, Aud witness bear of Him in all the world. The heralds of a Kingdom yet to come, Which none can see, save they be born again ; Yea, none can enter in, save by the womb Of waters, and the Spirit's holy birth. Twelve stars that circle round their central Sun, Lesser, thought cat, in glory's firmament, And Him withdrawn, reflecting radiance far Of Gospel light o'or all the guilty world ; A world that; loveth darkness, loathing light Of that great witness, which again must go To every nation ere the end ; a world Whose red hands reck with blood of inuocence With righteous blood, of Prophets, Priests and Kings, From Abel unto Christ, whose martyr souls Ciy, night and day, for vengeauco on mankind.

Thesun hath set in blood, to vise again And gild a brighter morrow ; and the stars To earth have fallen, all save haply one, That through the night of ages sparkies on. The Church, the Bride, defiled and mutalate, Her lifeless body torn and trampled low, On cagle wings, in spirit, flics afar Into the wildercess, where, nourished [still, She bides, of brighter, better day, the dawn.

"BEHOLD THE BRIDEGROOM COMES ! Zion, arise ! The shadows lift, and over night's dasky beach Ripple the white waves of morn. Wake, O World !

Ocean of dispensations. Rivers, rills, Return unto your fount and reservoir! "And ye that follow Righteousness, and seek The Lord | Look to the Rock whence ye were hewn, Unto the hole and pit whence ye were digged! O House of Israel, look to Abraham, And Sarah, she that bare you ! For the Lord Will comfort Zion, comfort her waste places ; Her wilderness shall be as Eden fair, Her desert like the garden of the Lord ; Joy and gladness shall be found therein Thanksgiving and the voice of melody."

Prophetic theme, fulfilled in latter days. When He that scattered Israel, doth again His ancient fold recall, and gather in From every clime, and plant their nilgrim feet On Zion's mountain-tops and Jewry's plains. The crowning dispensation, when all things Elias shall restore ; from earth's four winds, From Heaven's remotest bound ; all things in Christ, Before his last great coming ; here to reign With Truth and Righteousness, his counselors, With Justice for His throne, and Mercy for His sceptre. Nations all shall how before; Peace spread her wings, and War his pinions fold, And Earth keep Sabbath rest a thousand years.

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"Hark to the bouny Christ-church bells, one, two, three, four, five, six; "They sound so sweet, so wondrous greet, they sound so merrily, cherrily."

The wedding peal from tower and spire noctains the opening of the festive day. A merry Christmas 9 or the more formal "Compliments of the season !" is the greeting to everyhedy within speaking distance. The ale and wine and strong liquids begin to flow, but beer is the common drink, and arrels of "home brewed" are inpped which have been reserved for the day, and in the West of Ergland, famed for its unrivilled breadcloub, citler and perry and; mead are the popular beverages. Hot elder wine is a common home-made cordial in many country places. All but total abstainers take something on Uhristmas day, and drinking ,"healths" takes the form of a sacred duty.

To go to the church in the morning is a thought respectable folks, when the story

wives, as the case may be, have been put to called to endure beforehand. the severest test. The best table linen and service pantry and cutlery are brought forth from the press, and the tables ereak under the weight of edibles. Roast beef is an esential, whatever other viands may tempt the appetite, roast goose being a frequent forerunner. And the plum pudding must come in, steaming hot, when previous have a halo of hquor alight around it and a

Christmas in England without a plam Prince of Denmark. It is fearfully and woncogrants, canded peel and spice form its

TRYING TIMES.

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But these are not the only trying times of human history. It is not simply during seasons of bloodsned, anarchy and commotion

that the truth and integrity of men's characters may be tested and proven. By no means. Peace and prosperity are oftenquite as effectual as tumuit and adversity In solving the problem. Indeed, the whole routine of life, whether happiness or misery, hardship or ease, wealth or want, fur moil or tranquility, is one continuous test, extending from the cradie to the grave. Still, there are such things as special times of trial, which come upon all who are privi-leged to tarry atany length in this mortal state, and every soul, particularly every righteous soul, must some day most and ex-perience them. It is a notable churacter istic of divine economy that something not given for nothing, but from every indi-

vidual sceker after eternal happiness is exregulation custom of deront and would be. Acted a fitting proof of his or her worthiness to attain the exaltation to which of the divine bahe in the manger is told in they aspire. All tests are not alike. prosy tones or in fervid oratory, according to They are as numerous as the which it is located, is Grass Valley, where Clarendon and Oswond, and latterly Landthe ability of the vicar or curate, or priest or sands of the sea-sbore, and as varied minister, and the choirs sing carols and an- as' the natures and capacities of still farther to the west the valley of the abolition of the Scotch Presbyterian minister, and wondrous birth at Bethlehem. inose to whom they are applied. This is Sevier; while to the normenst is Castle Dale, the county copalian form of worship in Scotland; also and then I will be left entirely alone in the streets are alive where how work is not try auother, and justice demands that sent of Emery County; and to the southeast the acknowledgment of the authority of the world." She pleaded to be allowed to go thems on the wondrous birth at Bethlehem. those to whom they are applied. This is Sevier; while to the northeast is Castle Church and the introduction of the Epistheir "best bib and tucker," narrying nome for try saucher in a grant of the pressure be made equal and appropri-or going to hospitable tables to par the pressure be made equal and appropri-about twenty miles distant, is Rabbit Val. Rishops and the spiritual authority of the and intercede for her brother, and he contake of Christmas cheer. It is a time of ate on all But differ as they may, in form. ley, where he the settlements of Los, Fre- King. grand family gatherings. The prodigal son quality, number and duration, they all have returns to his father's house with the assurance that 'all shall be forgiven." Scat- the rout, its education and enlightenment surance that all balance that all balance, and balance, a getter from in points of the control page. Then all page ind points of the control page is the point of the page is the page is the point of the control page is the point of the page is the page is the point of the page is th

Father's bouse are many mansions," "I go a half in avorage breadth. It is 9,000 feet to prepare a place for you," "that where I in there ye may be also." Paul writes: "There is a glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the like stars. For one star differs from another sprig of holly sinck in the top thereof. piction of the celestial, terrestrithe sun, moon and stars "are written of as

A STORY OF PAST RELIGIOUS and a second second second PERSECUTION. FISH LAKE.

BY WHICH PRESENT CRUSADERS AND THEIR VICTIMS MIGHT PROFIT. Historical facts which exhibit the devo-

tion of religious nartyrs should be pre-"Thoo, who wouldst see the lovely and the cated and posterity benefited by their

heroic examples. In these perilous times this advice should have great weight with the Latter-day Saints, who are the most conspicuous champions of religious and political liberty of the age in which we live. The interest that will be takon, by future It has been remarked that for extremo generations, in events now transpiring may to some extent be estimated by the availty

of religion; when law and order were it has been remarked that for extends to some extent be estimated by the avial, to some extent be estimated by the avial, to some extent be estimated by the avial, with which the relations of similar scenes enoraced in the Territory of Utah is al-ed, governments disrupted and states and most without a parallel. In "chilly, cold some time ago there fell in the way of the with the twnditional pregramme must me sharp and frosty, with a good crust of snow. on the eate of the earth, or flakes gently falling to make it. is makered in by the falling to make it. is makered in by the three three tried beyond a doubt who were the brave, strated beyond a doubt who were the brave, thu true, the upright and honorable among and pleasant retreats that furite attention; mankind. of incidents connected with the religious persecutions which were conducted in Scot-Not the least attractive feature of the land in the time of Charles the Second, ally covered with snow, whose tyranny produced that heroic class Wasatch range is the beautiful

known as the Scotch Covenanters. LAKES AMONG THE HILLS. Not having the book at hand, and only The Great Salt Lake rests to its basin 4,200 baving once perused it, I will endeavor to

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star in glory; so also is the resurrection of and on its bright surface are redected the proaching within twenty miles of their old courses are over, and to it in the style must the dead." The Prophet Joseph renders green wooded mountains and blue sky; livings. The penalty for offering them this plain and positive declaration still while in its clear waters can be seen, at a succor in any shape, was death. more intelligible by a glorious de-piction of the celesital, terrestri- thither; and on its bosom, when undis-dires being the judges and executioners. So pudding would be like Hamlet without the al and telestial worlds, of which turbed, are flocks of wild ducks, geese and horrible was the condition of af a'rs under derfally made. It contains tittle of the basis of an ordmary pudding. Stoned raisins, the seaking, when He said: "I go to either side do not equal in grandeur those the seaking, when He said: "I go to either side do not equal in grandeur those the seaking was me prepare a place for you * * that where I am there yo may be also?" He was speaking of the Celestial kingdom, the glory of the sun, the immediate presence of God,

