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And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them.

But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God.

Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the Kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.—Mk. 10, 14-16.

## THE DAY OF THE CHILDREN

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads.
Mamma in the bonnet, immortal lines of Clement Moore's "The Night Before Christmas," have power to awaken memories of the past, memories of the pleasant, awed excitement before Christmas eves, and childish ardent faith in Santa Claus.

Papa was crabby and plump,—"Will jolly old elf," but an awfully real mark—when it came to hanging stocking in less than two days that these, and quickly for a pair of socks to be hold, we remember, if the darkest sleigh bells disturbed slumbery quiet of the night. And we think, indeed, that it was the loving touch of mother's hand on us, and her good-night kiss rather than the imminence of Santa Claus, which smoothed for the dones of the sugar-

plums of sugar-plums danced in their heads!" Who, middle-aged now, childhood, may doubt for a moment the peace-ful that early head, mark of excited satisfaction by the drowsiness of innocence, love, faith before you and we like all He who brought the peace of love into the world, a little moment the awakened at this season the innocent joy of the days of the year, and in the days of the And so it is that to them bringing this issue of The Their letters to the good little pauses of a Christmas today. May be fully justified in our through them may the our elders be strengthen-

## CHRISTMAS AT DINGLEY DELL

It was that when Charles in 1876, a ragged little to rob her fifth Saturday's earnings, father writer who has written so much to the Christmas by the Dingley as did Charles Dickens, he should visit Dingley Dell, the every frame of mind, "Pickwick Papers" and Christmas at Dingley

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THANK ... ONE AND ALL

The Mercury, in behalf of the children who will be made happy at the Community Tree this afternoon, wishes to thank those who have contributed so generously to this fund.

We hope that as many of you as can do so, will be present when the stockings are given to the youngsters. We know of no surer way to get attuned to the spirit and real meaning of Christmas than to see the joy that your kindness and generosity has brought to others.

## THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

(Clement C. Moore)

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there,
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;
And Mamma in her kerchief and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap—
When out on the lawn there rose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon on the breast of the new fallen snow,
Gave a luster of mid-day to objects below;
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled and shouted, and called them by name:
"Now, Dasher! Now, Dancer Now, Prancer and Vixen!
On, Comet! On, Cupid! On Dunder and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall!
Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"
As dry leaves before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle,
Mount to the sky,
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With sleigh full of toys—and St. Nicholas, too;
And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur from his head to his feet,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack;
His eyes how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn, up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face and a little round belly
That shook when he laughed, like a bowl-full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump—a right jolly old elf;
And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself.
A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,
Soon gave to me know I had nothing to dread.
He spoke not a word but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his Saturday's nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.
Mose Sa He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew Like the down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim ere he drove out of sight,
Merry Christmas to all and to all A Good Night.

## O WONDERFUL NIGHT

O wonderful night on the desert!
Where hasting from countries afar,
Three wise men work eagerly journeying,
Led on by a bright-gleaming star.

O wonderful night in the valley!
Where the ecstatic throng
Proudly dreamed of his conquest
Big boat.

His guessed not that the day was approaching
To mourn and when tumult should cease,
On that night there was born in a manger.
The Galilean Child, Prince of Peace.

O wonderful night in the stable!
To a life of distress and of shame,
To save a doomed world from destruction,
The Redeemer, pitying, came
To mourn in Gethsemane's garden,
To wear the thorn crown on His brow,
And die on the cross as a traitor,
Came the Saviour, whom we worship now.

O wonderful night! Down the ages,
The tale through the years will ring again.
That was sung by the angels of heaven
Their sight on fair Palestine's plain.
In chorus of love we adore Him.
And humbly we bow at His feet,
We know he looks down from the Kingdom
And lists as the tale we repeat.
—Contributed.

## FREAKISH SUMMER TO BOOST ALFALFA ACREAGE

The splendid showing made by Alfalfa during the freakish weather that characterized the past year, is certain to result in a material increasing acreage of this legume crop, according to Prof. W. L. Burlison, the University of Illinois agronomist, who in a recent address strongly urged that livestock producers increase the acreage and yield of alfalfa for the 1926 season.

"If proof were needed of all that has been claimed for alfalfa as a pure crop season supplied it in great abundance during the past year," he said. "In all probability, the last season was one of the most unusual which we have had throughout the central part of the country. It looked for a while as though we would have an ideal year. Then followed just out in fine shape, then the weather turned very dry just about the time forage and hay crops were coming into active growth in many parts. This means about the time alfalfa was cut out for the first or second time. Then the season for a time was wet, dry again, and in the early part of the year the fields were been increasing since the first of October. If we have ever had a season which would put crops on edge to adaptability, this is one of them. We have never had a season when the weather let forage crops during the month of June much better than they were let this year.

"The important fact in this connection is that alfalfa showed what it could do. Where ever this crop was well established in weed-tight stand and did best to the very great satisfaction of all. Where the grass crops such as timothy and Blue grass did practically nothing. Alfalfa came right through the dry weather and served both for pasture and for hay. Unquestionably, alfalfa is the crop for these days."

"What are the profits from alfalfa? If we figure alfalfa worth $20 per ton, hay, the yield of 2 tons an average of about $80 gross per acre for the 2 cuttings. Where the alfalfa per acre averages about $20 to $24 per acre. Under favorable conditions of things considered, of 4% In some instances the yield will be higher and in others lower, the results depending largely upon the fertility of the soil and the managerial ability of the farmer. Taken as a whole, alfalfa has a place in almost every farm, and the acreage of this crop in all sections are grown. And, in planning for increase in yield, let us not consider a small acreage at least to be worth while. America's greatest crop—alfalfa!"

## NOTICE

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This December 17, 1925.

Fred Engineer Nicholas County Ky. 12-17 2t

## FLORIDA

Much has been written of Florida by way of description, and some of it fanciful and some truth is purely fictitious. The best of all these word pictures, the most facetious, the most entertaining and the most "true of life" is found in a Wooster paper, the author being A. E. Richett, an Ohioan, of course.

"Florida is the chin whinkers of the United States.

"It is six hundred miles long, two hundred miles wide and three feet high.

"It is bounded on the north by the Eighteenth Amendment and on the south three miles by the three mile limit.

"Florida is inhabited by Indians, Americans, White Men and Pedaling tourists, sometimes called Tin Canners, all of whom are real estate agents.

"The Reds live on the Everglades, the Blacks live on the Whites and the Tourists live on the Carpets on the Municipal coup grounds.

"Florida's principal sources of income are hotels, fruit, alligator hides, tourists and long green quicks east of California.

"But the one great outstanding feature of Florida is its fruit, orange trees, tangerine trees and grapefruit.

"The next Florida fruit in importance is the grapefruit, a grapefruit is a cross between a lemon and a pumpkin. It has the color and disposition of a blond tooth ache and the shape of a bowling brute. It is usually eaten at breakfast thus giving tourists something else to worry about the morning shower bath at the hotels.

"The tangerine is a distinct cousin of the orange. It wears a loose and careless 'mother hubbard style wrapper, it's easier to further than the orange, but is of a more dry, withered and disappointing disposition when undressed.

"There is the only thing in Florida that sets up to its name. It is the mocking bird. The way it sounds.

"By the middle of October, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Iowa and Illinois are in the state moving to Florida, for Tin a land of golden sunshine.

"Florida is the sweetest known blow, "Sweet with a thousand perfumes

"O'er the Gulf of Mexico.

"Florida is the perfumer originate in Mexico, the balmier in the Carolinas and the Bohamas."—Casper Eagle.

## THIRTEEN

Friday the thirteenth unlucky? Not at all.

At least it isn't if you care to take the word of American history with a handful.

For the number 13 appears in our history time after time in curious circumstances, that one would think it ought to be our lucky sign, instead of an emblem of superstition and misfortune.

In the first place, as nobody needs to be told, there were 13 original colonies.

The American flag has 13 stripes on it, and once upon a time it had 13 stars.

Francis Scott Key wrote the "Star Spangled Banner" in the year 13, 1813.

There was 13 letters in our national motto, "E Pluribus Unum."

The Great Seal of the United States authorized by the country's great seal has 13 feathers in each wing, 13 arrows in the eagle's talon. The White House was laid on October 13, 1792.

It was on June 13, 1778, that France declared war on behalf of America against King George III.

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Beware of—"Had I known better"

Judgment means getting the right facts first, then acting with reason upon them.

In choosing the method by which your money can be restored to you, we suggest economy—choose Cheapness.

W. G. COWAN
Chiropractor
Carlisle, Ky.

May your caravan through the coming year pass along paths of Peace and Happiness. May Christmas be a time of gladness.

Main Street Garage

Derry Christmas!

We desire to express to you our appreciation of the Cordial relations existing between us and we extend to you the Season's Greetings and best wishes for a Joyful Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

R. T. Kirkland & Co.

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We have decided to leave SALE PRICES on those lines in which we are overstocked until after Christmas.

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Fine Candies For Christmas
TIP TOP MIXED POUND 12½c
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CHOCOLATE DROPS POUND 19c
Hershey's Chocolate Kisses 2½ lb. box 99c
Fancy Chocolate Creams 5-lb. Box $1.90
Old Fashioned Peanut Brittle, 1-lb. box 25c

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## Social and Society

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the fields, keeping watch over their flocks by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the Glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of heavenly host, praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.—St. Luke 11:8-14.

—Mr. J. G. Blair is improved from a week's illness.

—Mrs Roberta Potts spent Tuesday in Lexington.

—Dr. and Mrs. T. P. Scott were in Lexington Tuesday.

—Mrs. Fritts, of Lexington, was here Monday on business.

—Mrs. E. L. Campbell spent Friday in Lexington shopping.

—Mrs. W. H. Frey and Mrs. C. H. Fisher were in Lexington Friday.

—Mrs. Harry Darnall, of Cincinnati, was here a few days last week on business.

—Mr. Bob Bramblett remains critically ill at his home on East Broadway.

—Mr. H. Frey spent Friday and Saturday with M. R. Burton at Lexington.

—Miss Katherine Frey has returned from spending a few days in Danville.

—Mrs. Main's Fortnightly Book club met with John Parker Rose on Monday night.

—Mrs. L. J. Secrest spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Cohen, in Lexington.

—Nancy Kellet, of Paris, was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Ida Kellet, Monday.

—Mrs. Jas. H. Burden and Mr. and Mrs. Erasmus Vice spent Wednesday in Lexington.

—Mrs. Bonnie Powell Potts, of Williamstown, is spending Christmas at her home here.

—Mrs. Rollie Wells has been quite ill for the past week at her home on Myrtle pike.

—Rev. Jos. Connell has returned from spending a few weeks in Florida with his parents.

—Dr. B. F. Reynolds and family will spend Christmas this week with relatives in Harrodsburg.

—Mrs. Ernie Wilson, of Maysville, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Sam Holmes, Saturday and Sunday.

—Mrs. Bruce Haffenstett and Mrs. Cora Hendon are visiting Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Daily, in Owingsville.

—Prof. John Young of Potsdam, N. Y., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Young

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fallon spent Tuesday and Monday in Richmond with their daughter, Mrs. W. E. Ward.

—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gorham entertained Christmas eve with a dinner party in honor of their daughter, Miss Mary Gorham.

—John M. Methias, of Amoville, Texas, arrived Sunday for a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Mary Methias.

—Harry Wilson, of Millersburg Military Institute is spending the holidays with his parents, spending his Christmas vacation.

—Mrs. Mary Brock, of Dwight, Ill., will come today to spend two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Brock.

—Mrs. Otto Hamel, Jr., Mrs. Hamel arrived Monday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ickes.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bentze, of Cincinnati, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Sophia Bentze and Mrs. Ida Bentze.

—Misses Nacoye and Elizabeth Collins have gone to Florida to visit Mrs. Kate Kennedy and Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Norton.

—Miss Nancy McClure, who is attending Cumberland College, at Williamsburg, was the guest of her father, Mr. H. B. Ewing, Sunday.

—Mrs. Phillip Sugg is convalescing nicely at St. Joseph's Hospital, in Lexington, where she underwent an operation during the past week.

—Mrs. Cloud Walker had her tonsils removed on Sunday at the office of Dr. Martin. Dr. Reynolds, of Mt. Sterling, was the surgeon.

—Misses Cathleen Hillard and Clara Shaw, teachers in the school at Van Lear, are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents in this city.

—Mrs. Jack Owings, Mrs. C. F. Jones and Miss Nancy Thomas, all of Lexington, were here Saturday to see their aunt, Mrs. Mary B. Jones.

—A. C. Bowen, of the U. S. S. Mississippi, returned to Bowen, Miss., after spending three weeks with his father, Taylor Bowen, of Myers.

—The condition of Mrs. Sue Turpin-man, who has been seriously ill at the home of her mother, Mrs. Jemima Carson, in Richmond, Va., remains unchanged.

—Mr. and Mrs. John A. Mann and daughter, Miss Suzie Belle Mann, of Winchester, are guests of his mother, Mrs. Suzie Mann. It is Mrs. Mann's first visit here in eight years.

—Miss Elizabeth Cole, of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., and Sergeant Chester C. Cole, of R. & H. Military Academy, Gallatin, Tenn., will spend the Christmas holidays with their father, Mr. C. C. Cole, at Orlando, Florida. They will also visit Miami and Palm Beach.

**Entertains For Son And Daughter**

—Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Clark entertained charmingly with a six o'clock dinner Monday evening at their home for their son and daughter Emery Clark and Miss Christine Clark. The guests included the members of the Carlisle high school faculty, Supt. W. Elliot Perl, Jos T. Embry, Misses Nellye Henry, Nancy Talbott, Grace Gifford, other guests were Prof. Duke Young, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd C. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Clark and little daughter, Anne.

**Here For Mrs. Johnson's Funeral**

—Among those from a distance who attended the funeral of Mrs. Mary Johnson Tuesday were: Mrs. Jack E. Owings, Mrs. C. F. Jones, Miss Nancy Thomas, Lexington; Rowe Worick, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Worick, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Worick, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Davis, of Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Colter, of Lexington; Mrs. Wm. Cowgill, Miss Elizabeth McIlvain, and Thomas Darnall, of Cincinnati, was here a few days last week on business.

**Here For Gudgell Funeral**

—Among those from a distance who attended the funeral of Mrs. Lewis Gudgell Saturday were: Mr. and Mrs. Emery Hickson, Mrs. Emma Mrs. Mary Worick, Mrs. Lucy Hanson; Mr. Simps Vanlandingham, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Hickson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hickson, of Flemingsburg; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shaw, Mrs. Knoch Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shuck, of Sharpsburg; Mrs. Ed Myers, D. B. Myers, of Bethel; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Freer, Mrs. J. Wells, Mrs. Milford Berry, Mrs. Dominus Leamont, Mrs. Nannie Young, Mrs. Wm. Howard, Jr., Mr. B. F. Reynolds and Mrs. Henry Brandsley.

**Home For Holidays**

—The following young folk attending College away from Carlisle will spend the Christmas vacation at home: Misses Glennie Fisher, Ruth Kennedy, Louise Kennedy, Dorothy Bonar, Anna Woodson Gaither, Thelma Linville, Maurine Lambert, Helen Darnall, Sudie Tilton, Rose Sanford, Sophia Gordon, J. R. Hiner, M. Taylor Mathers, Frank Cummins, George Daly, Carl Gudgell, Sterling Kerns, of the University of Kentucky; Miss Mary Lou Southers, Transylvania College; Misses Lois Talbott, Ruth Taylor, Sara Nelle Collyer, Georgetown College; Everett Smith, Wilmore; Jack Cook, Centre College; Miss Lillie Mae Crouch, Berea; Miss Cordelia Harper, Oxford; Catherine Hall, Bowling Green, Ohio; Miss Margaret Harper, Greenbrier College, Lewisburg, W. Va., Jean Ingles, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

—T. W. McKeehan, 33, manager of the Dixie Penn Co., of Williamsburg, has been ordered to Bell county, Ky., to work in a hotel in Louisville Tuesday.

The Mercury extends greetings of the season to its large staff of correspondents throughout the county. We take this opportunity to thank them for their loyalty and faithfulness during the past year and hope they will continue to make The Mercury a bigger and better newspaper.

New York City has a population of 5,924,346, an increase of 1,000,000 during the past five years, census figures made public Tuesday by the department of commerce show. The rate of increase in about the same as that of the period between 1910 and 1915, but below the rate of growth in the five years preceding 1920.

**ADDITIONAL DONATIONS TO COMMUNITY TREE**

The following donations have been received since the list appearing on the first page of this issue was printed:

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| Acknowledged on pages 1 ..... | $58.00 |
| Mrs. Bramblett ..... | $1.00 |
| Dave Bonar ..... | $1.00 |
| J. C. Tussman ..... | $1.00 |
| W. H. Frey ..... | $2.00 |
| F. P. Hamm ..... | $1.00 |
| U. M. Swafford ..... | $1.00 |
| A. Friend ..... | $1.00 |
| Miss Florence Hazewell ..... | $1.00 |
| Jesse Wiltshire ..... | $1.00 |

About fifteen golfers more is needed in the Community Christmas Tree Fund, in order to defray all expenses. Many who are willing to contribute, have not done so, because they have been busy or have merely overlooked this important charity. Won't you have your contribution this morning at The Mercury office?

## RELIGIOUS

The Rev. Howard Stephenson will preach at the Lutheran church Saturday afternoon at 2:00.

**PREACHING AT COURT HOUSE**

Dr. F. L. Crystal will preach in the court house Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Communion at the morning service. Sunday School closes at 10 o'clock.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Rev. Wm. J. Gammon, pastor.

Christmas exercises Wednesday, December 23, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Sunday, Dec. 27, at 10:45 a. m., "The Old Year. Chief Occurrences and Their Meaning". At 7 p. m., "The New Year. It's Possibilities."

**BAPTIST CHURCH**

Rev. Joseph Cotnoir, pastor.

Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. Subject, "Is it Much." Lunch will be served at noon, and the following missionary program given, beginning at 2 p. m.: Song, "Revive Us Again." Scripture, Mrs. H. C. Galbraith; Prayer; Song, "O Zion Haste;" "The Little Home Offering;" Mrs. Clay Corbett; Reading, "Lo It Is!" Mrs. Ella Bennett; "Some Who Care," Mrs. Geneva Allison; "Where Shall the Cute be Made?" Miss Mary Lou Blake; Song, "My Portion," Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Cowan; "Feed My Lambs," Mrs. Harry Lucas; "Our Mon and Stewardship," Dr. G. T. Cowan; "Our Women and Children," Mrs. Harry Lucas; "Offering to missions;" song, "Make Me Channel of Blessing."

Hope every Baptist family will bring their lunch and stay for the afternoon services. Let us glorify God at Christmas time.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock the children of the church will be given their annual Christmas treat and Santa will be there in full dress for the pleasure of the children.

On Sunday night at 7 o'clock the Christian cantata, "The True Christmas Story of Christ the King," will be presented at the church and at the white gifts of money and presents will be given for local charities and the Louisville Widows and Orphans Home.

**ST. JOHN'S RECTORY**

The Christmas Services at St. John's Church will commence at 7:00 A. M. on Christmas Day. There will be the blessing of a new banner for the Holy Name Society followed by Christmas Carols at the Crib, then High Mass with an appropriate talk on the Feast, followed by Vespers and Benediction. Catholics are bound to attend Mass on that day, others are cordially invited.

Rev. Earl E. Bauer, pastor.

## MARRIAGES

McCARTY-FLORA— Miss Christine McCarty and Mr. Wood Flora, both of the Pleasant Valley neighborhood, were united in marriage Saturday by Rev. Wm. J. Gammon at the home of the officiating minister, the Rev. E. Carver, at Myers, on Main Street. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McCarty of Myers. Mr. Flora is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Flora.

That many persons are unfamiliar with the postal regulations which require a two-cent stamp on post cards is evidenced by the large number which are dropped into the local postoffice with one-cent stamps affixed, according to Postmaster Hook. This delays their dispatch until the proper postage has been affixed. Whether the higher rate is responsible or the cards are being mailed in envelopes, there has been a great decrease in the number of cards mailed here this year from the underremailed last year.

## DEATHS

SELLERS—Mrs. Jasper Sellers, 63 years old, died at her home near Blue Licks on December 19. She is survived by her husband, three children, one brother and two sisters.

FITCH—Word was received here this week of the death of Mrs. John Fitch, formerly of Carlisle, which occurred Sunday morning, December 20th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Tapman Stephens, in Knoxville, Tenn. The body was taken to Covington for burial. Mrs. Fitch was the widow of the late John F. Fitch, for many years a trainer in Carlisle. She is survived by one son J. Frank Fitch, of Covington, and two daughters, Mrs. Tapman Stephens, of Knoxville, Tenn., and Mrs. A. T. Hillock, of New Richmond, Ohio.

GUDGELL—Mrs. Linnie Duckworth Gudgell, wife of Lewis C. Gudgell, died at her home near Miranda last Thursday, following an illness of several weeks duration. Mrs. Gudgell was born in 1852 and was united in marriage to L. C. Gudgell in 1878. Five children were born to this union, only two of whom, Wallace Gudgell and Frank Gudgell, both of the county, survive. Mr. and Mrs. Gudgell celebrated their golden wedding several years ago. She was united with the Presbyterian church early in life and was a faithful member of the teachings of that church. Funeral services were held at the late home Saturday morning, conducted by Rev. Wm. J. Gammon, pastor of the Carlisle Presbyterian church, followed by burial in the family lot in the Bethel cemetery.

JOHNSON—Mrs. Mary Buckler Johnson, 76 years old, died at her home on Elm street Monday morning, following a long illness with a complication of diseases. Mrs. Johnson was the widow of the late Bruce Johnson, who died many years ago. She was born near Carlisle on October 9, 1849, the daughter of the late Willis T. and Martha Buckler, pioneer residents of Nicholas county. She has been a resident of Carlisle for many years and was one of the best known women in the community. She was noted for her kindness and charity to the unfortunate. In the issue of The Mercury her name appears at a contributor, carrying on the community Christmas tree, a contribution to a worthy cause. Besides a few short hours before her death, Mrs. Johnson was a good neighbor, generous, kind-hearted and charitable in her judgment of others. She was a loyal and loving member of the Baptist church and took an active part in the affairs of the church. She is survived by only one son, Hugh Johnson, her other son, John Johnson, having died about six weeks ago. Funeral services were held at the late home Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Joseph Cotnoir, pastor of the Carlisle Baptist church, followed by burial in the family lot in the Carlisle cemetery.

Gov. W. J. Fields will speak at Flemingsburg on January 21, in the interest of the proposed $12,000 road bond issue.

Something unusual in the meat line is offered residents of this section. A farmer living near Lexington said that he will slaughter a buffalo and sell the meat during the Christ season.

Two young white men held up John Furlong, proprietor of a Lexington restaurant, at the point of a pistol Tuesday morning, robbed the cash register of approximately $100 and escaped.

Five, believed of incendiary origin, destroyed a large tobacco and hemp barn, with all of its contents, on the farm of Richard Hyman in Jessamine county Monday night, entailing a loss estimated at $12,000.

Brooks Pullin, 18 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Pullin, of Hartsville, Mason county, was accidentally shot and instantly killed by his 11 year old brother while they were hunting squirrels near their home Tuesday morning.

Quotations on the Cincinnati live stock market: Hogs unchanged to 10c; calves, with prices ranging from $11.50 for packers and butchers to $7 for fat cows. Cattle, steady; prices ranging from $10.50 for choice to $4.50 for common; heifers, from $10.50 for choice to $4.50 for common.

Registrars of the modern economy are compelled to keep abreast of the times. Even the old-fashioned institution, sleigh and reindeer this year has become a thing of the past, promises to remain over, giving us "White Christmas."

Frank A. Munsey, noted newspaper and magazine publisher, died in a hospital in New York City following an operation for appendicitis. He was 72 years old. Last year Mr. Munsey gave away $2,000,000 and left an estate valued at several hundred dollars.

C. C. Bruce, of the county, a veteran of the Philippine campaign, has a large number of interesting notes, including United States pennies of 1917, 1918 and 1918, half dimes of 1892 and 1894, and a number of Spanish coins which he brought home from the Philippines as souvenirs. Mr. Bruce also has a relic of his war experiences, a mounted tooth of a wild hog, killed in the Philippines. The tooth has been used as a handle for a cane.

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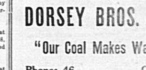

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