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THE CONTRAST.

Never has there been a Christmas season so paradoxical as the present. While one-half of the world is lolling in the lap of luxury the other half is sunk in the depths of despair. While from millions of Christmas trees in America and other peaceful nations there hung the toys of joy bright in the radiance of happy homes; millions of children were starving in Armenia, Holland and Belgium.

While from the choir lofts of churches here there rang forth the Christmas anthem, "Peace on Earth Good Will Toward Men," mingled with it before the throne was the plaintive dying cry of starved women, children and of soldiers in the trenches. What a contrast.

What have the suffers done to merit such an end? Why should they die for lack of bread when the earth in its fullness has not refused a harvest?

When He was on this earth in whose honor the Christmas season was named and from whose teachings its spirit of giving emanated, nations gave no thought concerning the condition of their neighbors. It was He who first gave utterance to the doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man and from his teachings have developed movements which have lightened the burdens of the world. Con-

templating His words and the protestations of the rulers of the so-called Christian nations now engaged in murder and rapine no justification of present conditions can be seen. The contrast is too great to bring into harmony with the philosophy of life He taught. Surely to none of these can be applied the beatitude, "Blessed is the peace maker, for He shall inherit the earth."

DREAMLAND ATTRACTIONS.

Those who did not see the first production of the master war picture, "Civilization," when it was here several weeks ago will be glad to know that it will come to Ontario for a return engagement January 9.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD—

A few years ago a series of historical novels dealing with romances of colonial days appeared among them was Mary Johnston's "To Have and To Hold," which was perhaps the most popular of all. It is a thrilling story and furnishes every element for a peering photo-play.

MARGUERITE CLARK—

Ontario's favorite, Marguerite Clark is scheduled to appear at Dreamland Wednesday January 3 in a unique play, "In the Drifts." The presence of Miss Clark alone is sufficient guarantee to everyone that "In the Drifts," will be a worthwhile production.

Jas. Murphy an engineer in the bridge construction department of the O. W. R. & N. in Portland was a Christmas visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Billingsley. Mr. Murphy will sail from Seattle on January 5 to join a construction company building bridges in China.

OREGON EASTERN BRANCH

West Bound
No. 371 Mixed—Leaves Ontario 10:00 a. m. Daily except Sunday; Arrive Vale 10:59 a. m., Juntura 2:00 p. m.; Riverside 3:20 p. m., Crane 5:20 p. m.

No. 372 Mixed—Leave Crane, Ore. 7:30 a. m. Daily except Sunday, Riverside 9:30 a. m., Juntura 10:35 a. m., Vale 1:15 p. m., Arrive Ontario 2:00 p. m.

BROGAN BRANCH

No. 373 Mixed—Leave Ontario 1:30 p. m. Daily except Sunday, Leave Vale 2:30 p. m., Arrive Brogan 3:30 p. m.

No. 374 Mixed—Leave Brogan 3:50 p. m., Vale 5:05 p. m., Arrive Ontario 5:50 p. m.

HOMEDALE BRANCH

Extra Mixed—Leave Ontario 3:15 a. m. Daily except Sunday.

No. 363 Mixed—Leave Nysa 9:25 a. m. Daily except Sunday, Arrive Homedale 10:35 a. m.

No. 3:64 Mixed—Leave Homedale 10:55 a. m. Daily except Sunday, Arrive Nysa 12:05 p. m.

Extra Mixed—Arrive Ontario 12:30 p. m.

Mrs. Holland went to Caldwell for Christmas.

Lew Adams made a flying trip to Caldwell Saturday.

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The Fashions

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