

AT CHRISTMAS TIME.

At Christmas time the fields are white and hill and valley all bedight...

At Christmas time the air is chill and frozen lies the babbling rill...

At Christmas time we deck the hall with holly branches brave and tall...

At Christmas time we pile the board with flesh and fruit and vintage stored...

O God, and Father of us all, List to thy lowliest creature's call...

Let not one heart be sad today, May every child be glad and gay...

TYPEWRITTEN.

When a man has battled with poverty all his life, fearing it as he fought it, feeling for the skinny throat to throttle it...

Denham had never before been called a rich man, and up to that moment he had not thought of himself as wealthy.

Denham started as if that question in that tone had not been asked him every night for years.

meet the baker. She was the only woman in the world with whom he was on speaking terms, and she knew her merely because her light and nimble fingers played the business sonata of one note on his office typewriter.

Next day business went on as usual. Letters were answered and the time arrived when Miss Gale came into see if he had any further commands that day.

Miss Gale seated herself and automatically placed on her knee the shorthand writing pad, ready to take down his instructions.

Denham mopped his brow. It was going to be even more difficult than he had anticipated.

"Is it then a question of the capital the partner is to bring in?" asked Miss Gale, anxious to help him.

"No, no. Oh, no. That is—I have spoken to nobody but you."

No, it wouldn't do. I would much rather settle everything by correspondence.

"Wait a moment!" cried Mr. Denham; "that seems rather a formal opening, doesn't it? How would it read if you put it 'Dear friend'?"

"I don't think I would put it quite that way," said Denham, with some hesitation. "It reads as if I were offering everything, and that my partner—well, you see what I mean."

"Better put it on the friendly basis, as you suggested a moment ago."

"No, I think that covers the whole ground. It will look rather short, typewritten, won't it? Perhaps you might add something to show that I shall be exceedingly disappointed if my offer is not accepted."

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IMPROVEMENT OF COUNTRY ROADS.

The State Should Pay for the Stem Roads and the County for the Branches.

The work of road construction and road improvement belongs to the state, or at least to the counties. New Jersey has an optional system of road improvement by the counties, and where it has been adopted it has given great satisfaction.

The defect of this optional system is that only the more intelligent and progressive counties adopt it.

Very valuable and roadmaking is costly, this city rule of assessment is not to be thought of. Its principle is wrong as applied to stem roads connecting county seats and large towns.

Good Roads Promote Trade. We have good roads in the cities, where we call them streets or avenues, and that is the reason why a team of horses can draw trucks and loads of such weight, and do it easily, as would give any team on a country road a sufficient excuse for becoming balky.

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