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A Christmas Carol

"What means this glory round our feet."
The Magi mused, "more bright than morn?"
And voices chanted clear and sweet,
"Today the Prince of Peace is born!"
"What means that star," the shepherds said,
"That brightens through the rocky glen?"
And angels answering overhead,
Sang, "Peace on earth, goodwill to men!"
'Tis eighteen hundred years and more
Since those sweet oracles were dumb;
We wait for Him, like them of yore;
Alas, He seems so slow to come!
But it was said, in words of gold,
No time or sorrow e'er shall dim,
That little children might be bold
In perfect trust to come to Him.
All round about our feet shall shine
A light like that the wise men saw,
If we our loving wills incline
To that sweet Life which is the Law,
So shall we learn to understand
The simple faith of shepherds then,
And, clasping kindly hand in hand,
Sing, "Peace on earth, goodwill to men!"
But they who do their souls no wrong,
But keep at eve the faith of morn,
Shall daily hear the angel-song,
"Today the Prince of Peace is born!"
—James Russell Lowell.

The Sign of the Babe

"And this shall be a sign unto you: ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger,"
St. Luke 2:12.

Each year we read the Christmas story of the angels and the shepherds on the plains of Bethlehem. Let us follow the example of the latter on hearing the tidings of great joy, and go with them to the village. Let us stand in reverence behind them and worship the Babe and learn of HIM. What is it that He teaches us?

1. That God is love, because not only is the Babe the unspeakable gift of God, but God is seen in the face of Jesus Christ. And

what does a mother see in the face of her child, but the evidence of love?

2. Humility; the Son of God humbled Himself to be born of a virgin, making Himself of no reputation and taking upon Him the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men. Let none of us think then, more highly of himself than he ought to think. If He Who is God Incarnate lived on this earth as one of the poorest and humblest, let none dare presume on a high social position or fret because of the want of it.

3. A man's true value depends on what he is in himself, not in his possessions. Neither riches, nor lordly estate, nor golden crown, nor brilliant retinue can make a monarch a great one. A nobleman may be made by a king, but a noble man is the work of God.

4. That spiritual and heavenly forces are supreme over the material and the worldly. The Babe exercises a persuasive influence on the hearts of men, irradiating, softening, purifying, capturing and binding them with the cords of love.

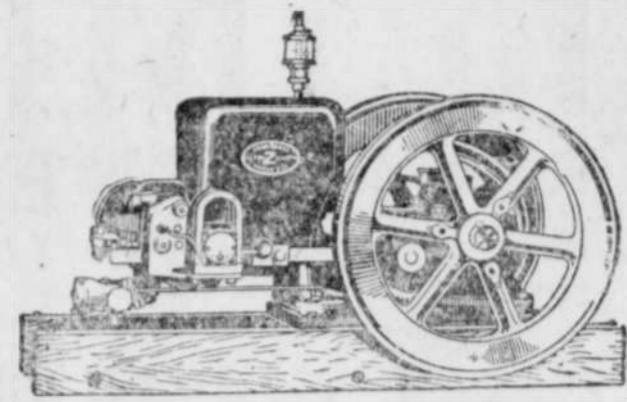
Such are some of the chief lessons taught by the Babe of Bethlehem. If we take them to heart and act on them, we shall find them of inestimable value for bringing contentment into our lives, and as far as we are concerned, peace on earth, goodwill towards men.

County Election Talk

The Oregon City Enterprise says that "County politics in Clackamas is beginning to warm up for the May primary." Among the names mentioned as possible candidates, we find that of E. W. Bartlett for representative in the legislature and J. W. Reed for county commissioner. We have not interviewed these gentlemen but probably they would say they are in the hands of their friends. It is very fitting that Estacada should be represented among the state and county officers.

SUPERB

The Christmas issue of the Gresham Outlook is a very handsome number. It has a colored cover in red and green, and its inside pages are filled with pertinent news matter and special stories. The display advertising is most artistic and shows a generous patronage on the part of the business men. We extend hearty congratulations and the season's greetings to Bro. St. Clair and his staff.



The New 1½ H. P. "Z" Engine successfully uses KEROSENE

THERE is much to interest every farmer in this announcement, because adding this recently perfected small size completes a line of engines—1½ H. P. to 15 H. P.—all of which successfully run on

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SPRINGWATER NEWS

Mrs. Hilyard, principal of the school here, has resigned and as yet there has been no one obtained to take her place.

Misses Lillian, May and Harriet McLennan are spending the holidays with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. McLennan here.

School closed Friday for the holidays, Miss Mann and Mrs. Hilyard going to their homes.

J. E. Shibley has just finished putting in an electric lighting system for J. A. Shibley.

Mrs. J. E. Shibley and chil-

dren Mary Elizabeth and Norman have been visiting at the Shibley home.

Joe Erickson came home from Eugene where he is attending the University.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Tenny went to Portland Friday.

A dandelion flower was picked in one of the gardens in town, Tuesday.

W. W. Dillon is home to spend the holidays with his family.

The town is filling up with holiday visitors.