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**LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS.**

Santa, there are a lot of little children who have sent their letters to you through The County Record which were received too late to be put into print. Now, Santa you know who they are and you know just what each one of them have asked you to bring them and we sincerely hope that it is within your means to gratify each little heart's desire on the Christmas morning. We regret that these letters, so many of them have been cut out of print, but it would require the printing of additional pages to print them and this means additional cost and labor, therefore we request, Santa, that you cheer the heart of every little boy and girl in Kingstree and Williamsburg county by your appearance and gifts next Sunday night.

**SOUTH CAROLINA'S NO-DIVORCE**

In the discussion of South Carolina's no divorce law, which has broken out in New York papers recently, the state is going to be lifted up and draw many to its way of thinking, says the Spartanburg Herald, and goes further into the subject by the unequivocal statement that "South Carolina is eternally right in this thing, and the more and more it is discussed the broader will be the appreciation of this fact.

"To the native of any other state, who comes into South Carolina to live, for any length of time, there suddenly dawns a certain sense of relief from that form of gossip growing out of the divorce courts. There is no such thing in South Carolina newspapers as daily accounts of divorce proceedings, involving men and women who are personally known to the people of that state. The absence of this sort of thing makes for a purity of family life thoroughly characteristic of South Carolina.

"Only yesterday The Charlotte Observer, a neighbor and an authority by reason of long residence just over the line, suggested that the best divorce law is the law that wipes divorce laws off the statute books, and points the Nation of the South Carolina view.

"Another interesting comment on the South Carolina situation is found in a communication to the New York Times by Judge W. C. Bent, who takes occasion to set that newspaper right upon its recent reference to an ancient slander of the state in connection with its attitude towards divorce, and adds this tribute:

"I am not a South Carolinian. I am a Scot by birth. I am influenced by no bias of blood or birth when I say in all sincerity and truth that in no country or commonwealth with which I am acquainted is the atmosphere of family life purer or cleaner than that which is breathed in the homes of South Carolinians. If the people of that state 'breathe the spirit of a purer air,' happy is that state and blessed are the homes and fire-sides therein. No need has that state for a divorce court. Having for years held court in all the counties of South Carolina, I am familiarly acquainted with all sorts and conditions of the people. And it is my well-grounded belief, that the moral atmosphere of South Carolina has preserved its remarkable cleanness and purity not in spite of but because of her no-divorce law."

**COTTON.**

What a royal plant it is! The world waits in attendance on its growth. The shower that falls whispering on its leaves is heard around the earth. The sun that shines on it is tempered by the prayers of all people. The frost that chills it and the dew that descends from the stars are noted and the trespass of a little worm on its green leaf is more to England than the advance of the Russian army on her Asian outposts. It is gold from the instant its puts forth its tiny shoot. Its fibre is current in every bank, and when losing its fleeces to the sun, it floats a sunny banner that glorifies the field of the humble farmer; that man is marshalled under a flag that will compel allegiance of the world, and wring a subsidy from every nation on earth. It is the heritage that God gave to this people forever as their own when he arched our skies, established our mountains, girt us about with the ocean, loosed the breezes, tempered the sunshine, and measured the rain. Ours and our children's forever. As princely a talent as ever came from His hand to mortal stewardship.—From an address by the late Henry W. Grady, of Georgia.

**Happenings on Route 1.**

Mr. D. C. Brown lost a fine Guernseybull from tick fever last week, and he advises those who have pure bred stock to look close for the fever ticks.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. L. B. McClary on November 15, a fine boy, Lewie Claud.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodgers November 17, a 10 pound boy. Miss Marie Hanna spent last Saturday with Mrs. W. D. Brown.

**Honor Roll, Rock Branch School.**

First grade—Annie Mae Kirby, 93; James Evans, 90.  
Second grade—Sid Christmas, 91; Sadie Player, 90; Fluit Kirby, 90.  
Third grade—Irene Easler, 93; Maggie Brown, 90.  
Fourth grade—Bethea Christmas, 94; Marvin Kirby, 92.  
Fifth grade—Thelma Player, 94.  
Sixth grade—Henry Easler, 91.  
Eighth grade—Kathleen Easler, 92; Robbie Brown, 90.  
Gladys Wham,  
Erlene Harrington.

**Chief Provisions of Subsidy Bill.**

Following are the principal provisions of the Ship Subsidy Bill as passed last week by Congress: Authorities Shipping Board to sell Government-owned fleet "at such prices and on such terms and conditions" as the board sees fit, allowing fifteen years for payment.

Gives the board full authority to dictate how much insurance shall be carried. Creates revolving fund of \$125,000,000, out of which the board is empowered to make fifteen-year loans to build or equip ships in American yards.

Doubles tonnage taxes, save in small craft.

Requires that half of the immigrants to the country must be brought on American ships "as nearly as practicable."

Creates the "Merchant Marine Fund," into which tonnage taxes and 10 per cent. of all tariff duties are to be paid for cash subsidies.

A tip as to soil building: The farmer like all other people must "put" if he wishes to "take."

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**LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS**

Kingstree.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll, a lunch box, a pearl necklace, lots of fruit and nuts, and please bring little Virginia a little Sacque and some wool hose or a pair of booties. She is one year old. Also, please remember my teacher. Your little friends,  
Edna and Ada McClary.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy eight years old, and I want you to bring me an air rifle and shot, horn, ball and bat, fire works and fruit of all kinds. Please remember my two little sisters. Your little friend,  
William Frierson.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy five years old, and want you to bring me a set of tools, a knife, a ball, whistle, a box of handkerchiefs, fire works and all kinds of fruit. Your little friend,  
Milton Frierson.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a doll baby, doll carriage, marbles, ring, ball, doll cradle, also lots of fire works, fruits and candy. Wishing you a merry Xmas and a happy New Year. Your little friend,  
Annie Hodge.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a rockie-horse, a ball, some nuts, apples and candy.  
Clemson Leavern McClary.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me an air rifle, some shot, apples, nuts, and other fruits. Please remember my teacher.  
Raymond McClary.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a story book, pencil box and a lot of candies, fruits and nuts.  
Rubie Stone.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me an air rifle, some fire crackers and some candy, fruit and nuts.  
Wilton Stone.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a water pistol or pop-gun, a little wagon and some candy, fruit and nuts. Reedy Carr Stone.

Kingstree, Rt. 1.

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please sir, bring me a hatchet, a saw, an elephant and heaps of other toys and fruits, and I'll send you a big old "Thank you, Sir!" Your little friend,  
Theodore McGill.

Kingstree, Rt. 1.

My Dear Old Santa,  
I want you to bring me a bicycle, a gun, a horn and some fruit, and I'll send you a heap of love.  
J. Y. McGill, Jr.

**Kingstree.**

Dear Santa Claus,  
I'm a little boy two years old and I want you to bring me a monkey, a top, ball and set of blocks, also some fruit and candy. Please bring for my little sister a doll and a rattle. Wishing you a merry Christmas. Your little friends,  
Lawrence and Lena David.

Greelyville.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little girl thirteen years old. I am going to school and in the 6th grade. I like my teacher fine. Well, I am going to tell you what I want you to bring me. I want you to bring me a large doll with eyes that will open and shut, fruit, nuts and some fire works. Good bye Santa. Your little friend,  
Mellie Isabelle Osburne.

Greelyville.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy nine years old. I have two little sisters. I want you to bring them something nice. And I want you to bring me an air rifle and a box of shot. If you don't bring it I will be so disappointed, and some fire works of all kinds. Santa, I have the best dog in this country and I want you to bring him a good collar. Emily Allen said, bring her a doll from Mr. Taylor's and a doll carriage and some fire works of all kinds. And Buster said bring him a wagon and a little rubber ball.  
Harry Heins.

Greelyville.

Dear Old Good Santa,  
I know that you are a nice old man and that you will come to see every good little boy and girl. I have been sorter good, so want you please come down my chimney, I want a doll and doll carriage, some candy, fruit and all kinds of fire works. And dear Santa please bring my teacher, Miss Wham, a little "jumping jack." I hope you'll remember every little girl and boy in the world. Your little girl,  
Marv Heins.

Lake City.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy ten winters' of age. I go to school and am in the 4th grade. I like my teacher fine. Santa, please bring me some shot for my air rifle and a dapper dan, also some fruit and fire works. As ever a little friend,  
Bethea Fitch.

Suttons.

Dear Old Santa,  
I am a little girl eight years old and am going to school and in the third grade. I like my teacher fine. Now I am going to tell you what I want you to bring me. I am afraid I will ask for too much though. I want you to please bring me a sleeping doll and a tea set for her. Also some candies and fruit. Don't forget my little brothers and sister. Meet us at the Christmas tree. Your little friend,  
Myrtis Cooper.

Suttons.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I guess you don't know me. I am a little boy six years old going to school at Suttons. I am in the second grade. I like to go to school fine. So I want you to bring me a present Christmas. I want a little gun and a pompadour cap, also candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget James, Wilbert, Mary and Robert for they can't write. I am your little friend,  
Carl Cooper.

Nesmith.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy six years old. I am not going to school but have a book and study at home. Santa, I will not ask you for much this time as times are hard. But I wish you would bring me a doll, a rifle a knife, a dancing coon and lots of fire works. I will be sure to kill all the fire so you want get your foot burned. Your little friend,  
W. J. Cooper, Jr.

Trio.

Dearest Santa,  
I'm writing you to tell you what I want you to bring me Christmas, and I hope you will bring what I ask for. I want a sleeping doll with long curls and a carriage to take her to ride in, some fruits, candy, nuts and fire works of all kinds. I would like a tea set too, so please bring me what I asked for. From your loving little girl,  
Mittie Cooper.

Trio.

Dearest Santa,  
Just a few lines to tell you what I want you to bring me Christmas. I'm not wanting very much this year for I know there's lots of little folks, and all are looking for a little on Christmas. So want you bring me a big dolly with long curls and sleeping eyes, and a carriage to ride her in. I would like a pocket book to take to Sunday school with me, to put my handkerchief in; some fruit, nuts and fire works of all kinds. Lovingly,  
Hattie Cooper.

Trio.

Dearest Santa,  
I'm writing you to tell you what I want you to bring me Christmas. I want you to bring me a sleeping doll with long curls and a little chair to rock her in, and candy, fruit, nuts and fire works of all kinds. I won't ask for very much this Xmas for if nothing happens I want you to come to see me again next Christmas. So good bye old Santa, Emely Cooper.

Trio.

Dearest Santa,  
Will write you a few lines to tell you what I want you to bring me Christmas. I want you to bring me an air rifle, some fruit, nuts, candy and fire works of all kinds. Well, I'm not asking for very much this time as I know you will say that I'm greedy. With love,  
Woodroe Cooper.

Trio.

Dearest Santa,  
Will write you a short letter telling you what I want you to bring me Christmas. I want you to please bring me a B. B. shot gun, 12 boxes of B. B. shot. That's all very much, so please remember me and be sure to bring them to me. Your son,  
Little Marion Cooper.

**Salters Depot.**

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy seven years old Christmas. So won't you bring me a Alabama coon jigger, a ball, some fruit, candy and nuts. And don't forget mamma and papa. Wishing you a merry Christmas, your little friend,  
Walter Foxworth.

Kingstree.

Dear Sahta,  
I am a little boy seven years old. I live with my grandmother Sexton. I want you to please bring me a little Alabama, a monkey that can climb a string, fire works of all kinds, candy and fruit of all kinds. Please give my two younger brothers the same thing. Thanking you in advance  
Jack Harrison.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been a good little girl since last Christmas. I want you to bring me a doll that can go to sleep, a carriage for her to ride in, a tea set, a ring, some fruit and some fire works. I shall be glad of anything else you can bring. Lots of love from,  
Lois Martin.

Kingstree.

Dear Santa,  
I have been a very good little girl so I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want you to bring me a sweet little doll, a box of handkerchiefs, candy, fruit and nuts. I won't ask you for too much as the times are so hard.  
Hoping you won't get stuck in the chimney when you come, with best wishes for a merry Xmas.

Annie Mae Cantley.

Kingstree, Rt. 1.

Dear Santa Clause,  
I am a little girl twelve years old. I am in the fourth grade and go to the Central graded school and I have studied very hard this year. I am a good little girl, for mamma said you didn't like mean girls. So I want you to please bring me a doll, a doll carriage, fruit and nuts of all kinds. Please remember my dear little brother.

Your little friend,  
Modun Walters.

Kingstree, Rt. 1.

Dear Santa Clause,  
It is nearly Christmas, and I know you are planning to come back to see all the children again. I want you to bring me a doll, a doll bed, a lunch box, a box of crayons, some fruit, nuts and candy, and while I am telling you what to bring me, do not forget to visit my teacher. Her name is Miss Maude Allene Kinder. I like her very much. Bring her a nice present also. She will enjoy it very much. I will close hoping to see my stocking filled to the very top on Christmas morning. I wish you the merriest Christmas and the happiest New Year you ever had.

Your little friend,  
Pauline Brown.

Kingstree, Rt. 1.

Dear Santa Clause,  
I am a little girl ten years old. I am in the fourth grade, and go to the Central school. I have studied hard this year, and I want you to please bring me a doll, a doll bed, a toy piano, fruit, candy and nuts of all kinds. Please remember my dear little baby sister.

Your little friend,  
Gertie Cantley.

Kingstree, Rt. 1.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me some candy, fruit, and toys, and don't forget my little brother, Felder. He is two years old and he can't talk, but I want you to bring him some candy, fruit and toys. I am a little girl in the fourth grade, and I am eleven years old.

Your little friend,  
Madge Brown.

Kingstree, Rt. 1.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a doll and a carriage, some candy, fruit of all kinds, a bracelet, a box of ribbon and that is all. I won't ask for much because times are hard. Don't forget my teacher. Her name is Miss Maude Allene Kinder. She would enjoy it very much for you to bring her something. I am in the fourth grade and am nine years old. Well, on Christmas night I will go to bed early so I will be sleeping when you come.

Your friend,  
Lyde McCreary.

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