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**H**EAVEN kissed the earth when Jesus Christ was born,  
Earth that was sinful, desolate, forlorn.  
Mankind was earthy, kin to loam and clod.  
Heaven kissed the earth and drew it up toward God.

**K**IN to the ape in heart, the tiger too,  
Kin to the ravenous beast, what could man do?  
Bound to the earth, and feet glued to the sod—  
Heaven kissed the earth and lifted man toward God.

**G**OD clothed in flesh, Thou Babe of Bethlehem,  
Bound for the cross, and then the diadem,  
Let not Thy life and death be all in vain.  
Though we must rise through struggle, toil and pain,  
Though weary feet life's pathway still must plod,  
Stoop to our low estate; lift us to God.

L. T. P.

*Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year.  
Levi T. and Rebecca Pennington.*



12-27-54

We were glad to get your Christmas letter with your present address. We sent a greeting to Colton, hoping you'd get it. If it is forwarded to you, you'll have two. Best wishes always.

(Think of Sam in the High School! Why, when we knew him —