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The President & Office Bearers take this opportunity of wishing you the Compliments of the Season.

For and on behalf of the Committee. N.C. HAINES. Hon. Secretary