Answers to 2012 Christmas Cryptograms

1. Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies; with th' angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" — Charles Wesley

2. Oh how they pound, raising the sound, o'er hill and dale, telling their tale. Gaily they ring while people sing songs of good cheer. Christmas is here. Merry, merry, merry, merry Christmas. Merry, merry, merry, merry Christmas — Tintinnabulation

3. While shepherds watched their flocks by night, all seated on the ground, the angel of the Lord came down, and glory shone around. — Nahum Tate

4. Good tidings we bring to you and your kin. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. — All the best

5. The shepherds at those tidings rejoiced much in mind, and left their flocks a-feeding in tempest, storm and wind, and went to Bethlehem straightway, this blessed Babe to find. — Comfortable joy

6. Oh, the weather outside is frightful, but the fire is so delightful, and since we've no place to go, let it snow, let it snow, let it snow. — Prelude

7. I'm sitting by the fire ceaping warm and cozzy then I hear a suond it sounds like jolly old saint nick and I go out side and I see an amazing thing it cot my eye for the first time I never relezed it but I saw the thing I've been wating four how much exsitment I had in me then I stood there and sat in fear o I saw it I saw it ror the first time. — You whath our (google for it if you don't believe it)

8. There once was a generous man who wrote verse that never would scan. When they said, “But the thing doesn’t go with a swing,” he said, “Yes, but I always like to get as many words into the last line as I possibly can.” — Verbal oversupply

9. The victory is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, but that's the way to bet. — Damon Runyon

10. Writing will create forgetfulness in the learners’ souls, because they will not use their memories; they will trust to the external written characters and not remember of themselves. Writing is an aid not to memory, but to reminiscence, and you give your disciples not truth, but only the semblance of truth; they will be hearers of many things and will have learned nothing; they will appear to be omniscient and will generally know nothing; they will be tiresome company, having the show of wisdom without the reality. — Plato

11. No experiment should be believed until it has been confirmed by theory. — Arthur S. Eddington

12. He projects the slick feel of a man who’s trying to sell you something that you don’t want by telling you something that you don’t believe. — Charles Blow, referring to Mitt Romney

13. One thing to keep in mind is that when life gives you melons you may be dyslexic. — Fruitful advice

14. Mathematics is one of the deepest and most powerful expressions of pure human reason and, at the same time, the most fundamental resource for description and analysis of the experiential world. — Hyman Bass