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Shoes and Clothing

Our goods are factory made and under the supervision of experts who have made a study of it.

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Popular standard grades and newest attractions are all found in abundance in every department of our elegant line of Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats, Shoes, Caps and Gent's Furnishings.

No question about these goods pleasing; they make none better.

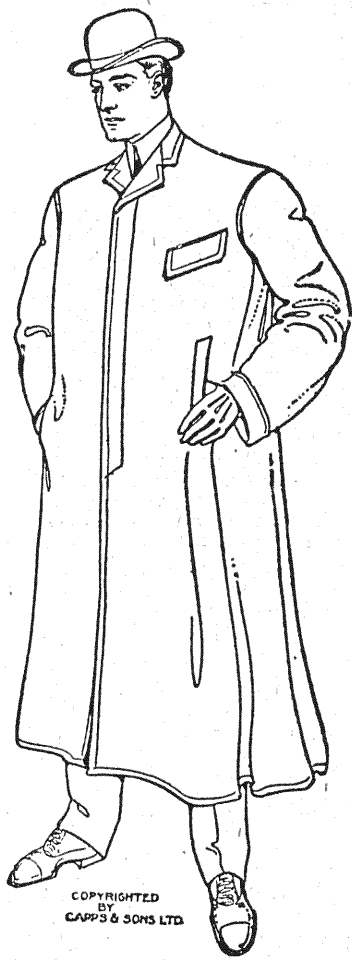
No question about prices being satisfactory; none can sell cheaper.

Depend upon us for perfect satisfaction and value for your money.

Red-Hot prices for Ice-Cold weather.

Everything men and boys can wear.

Worth remembering. Ready when you are.



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Cass City's Shoe and Clothing Men.

MRS. HOPE COLE PASSES AWAY

Died on Thursday, November 30, After a Few Weeks' Illness.

Last Thursday afternoon, November 30, at four o'clock, Mrs. Hope Cole died at the home of her nephew, Dr. D. P. Deming, after a few weeks' illness. She has been an invalid for four months, having received serious injuries to her hip by a fall, but until a few weeks ago she was able to be around her room. A few weeks ago she was taken worse and gradually failed and on Tuesday preceding her death she was stricken with paralysis.

Mrs. Hope Crandell Winslow Cole was born in Oakland county, Michigan, October 30, 1829, where she lived until she was about eighteen years of age when she went to Detroit to live. In that city she was united in marriage to William Cole in the year 1852 and they at once went to the state of Minnesota and were among the first to settle in the "New West."

Together they endured all the hardships of pioneer life in the frontier. In 1890 they sold their farm in Minnesota and returned to Michigan, locating in Thomas, Oakland county. They remained there but a short time



Mrs. Hope Winslow-Cole.

when they again sold out and located at Mayville in this county.

Mr. Cole died there in the year 1894 and after a few years Mrs. Cole disposed of her property and came to Cass City where she has since resided with her nephew, Dr. D. P. Deming, and family. She had reached the advanced age of seventy-six years and one month. She was the last member of her immediate family and the nearest relatives left to mourn her departure are nephews and cousins.

She was a member of the Baptist church at Mayville for several years and joined the society of that denomination in Cass City by letter. She was a faithful attendant at the services of the church and one of the noble women of Cass City, always cheerful and pleasant in her manner and enjoyed the friendship of a large circle of acquaintances. During her illness everything which loving hands could do was done for her comfort and no pains spared to save her life, but of no avail and she passed away on Thursday afternoon.

The funeral services were held in the Baptist church Sunday afternoon at two o'clock where a large concourse of friends and acquaintances gathered to pay their last tribute to the departed. Rev. J. H. Callender, pastor of the Baptist church, officiated and her remains were laid to rest in the family vault in Elkland cemetery beside her husband.

The following relatives were in attendance at the funeral services: Mrs. Allie Bartholomew, a niece, and her daughter, Mrs. Hagle, from Thomas, Oakland county; Mrs. Wm. Blashill, a cousin, from Oxford.

The Difference between Our Lines and Other Lines

Come in and let us demonstrate to you the difference between the

Art Laurel Two-flue Steel Range

and the ordinary single flue range. Also the difference between our 20th Century Art Laurel Hard Coal Base Burner with the

Steel Circular Bottom Flue

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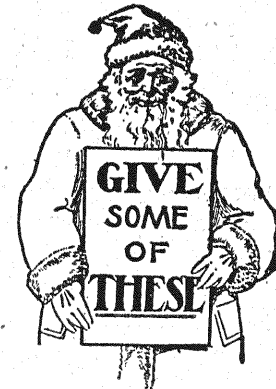
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Ask us for the best calendar you ever saw for 1906.

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Lamps, China, Furs,

Sweaters, Table Covers, Curtains, Skirts, Opera Shawls

and Christmas Goods of all kinds.

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Your Money

Spent in One of Our

TAILORED SUITS

Will prove a satisfactory investment to you. I have a fine line of samples to select from.

W. H. RUHL, The Tailor.

New Sheridan Building.

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The necessity of a business education for your son and daughter in this day and age appeals so strongly to the mother and father as to require no argument.

No matter what the chosen avocation may be, or where one's lot in the world may be cast, the need of a thorough business training is apparent to the far seeing of one's best interests.

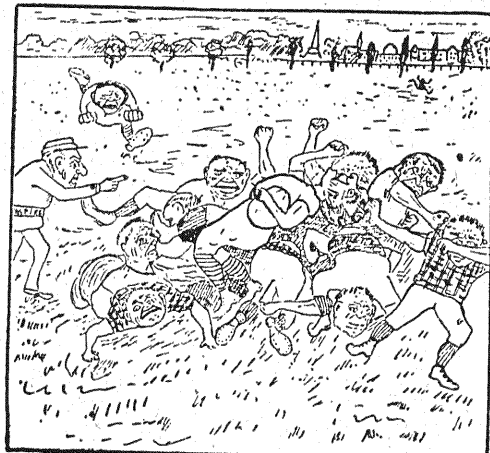
In every line the fundamental principles of business are daily called into practice. If your early business training has been neglected then you are at the mercy of all who have been more favored.

The days when one without an education or business training could acquire a competency or wealth are passed in this country.

The plodding, blundering individual may be, in exceptional cases, a child of favor, and fall into fortune. But to allow your child to take such a chance is to desperately risk the past, present and future.

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This fall, scoring heavily

over all the different makes and styles of furnaces in order to get furnaces that have durability, at reasonable prices.

My Goal

is to gain the confidence of people that buy furnaces by making it an object to buy of me.

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The Second Half

is to get them at right prices.

I have made a **touchdown** in both these respects.

I buy directly from foundries in Pennsylvania and am in a position to make prices that cannot under any circumstances be equaled by dealers that are obliged to buy from the jobbers. Circulars of different furnaces sent on request, or a postal card will bring us together to talk it over.

WILLIAM SEEGER, Cass City, Mich.

REVIVAL MEETINGS.

Revival services are in progress this week in the Baptist church under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. J. H. Callender. The attendance has been quite favorable thus far and the outlook is bright for a good revival. Special efforts are being made by the members of the society to assist the pastor in the services, having pledged themselves to the performance of certain duties in connection with evangelistic work. The meetings will probably last a few weeks, unless other arrangements are made. All are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

SUGAR BEET RETURNS.

Among the sugar beet growers in this vicinity who report good returns for this season are John C. Topping and Henry Krug. The former received \$62 per acre for his crop after paying for his seed and freight charges. He had four acres.

Mr. Krug received \$59 per acre for his beets after paying for the seed and freight. He devoted five acres to this crop. Both gentlemen held contracts with the factory at Caro.

HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS.

The P. O. & N. R. R. will sell holiday excursion tickets on Dec. 14, 15, and 16, limited to return not later than Jan. 6, to Canadian points at one first class limited fare for round trip to all stations in Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick excepting points west of Ailsa Craig, Komoka and Chatham, Ont., or to stations east of Hamilton or Camfield Junction on lines east to Niagara frontier. These exceptions will not apply to Toronto, Montreal or points north of Lake Ontario. Children between the ages of 5 and 12 at one-half fare.

For Christmas and New Year's, tickets will be sold on Dec. 23, 25 and 30, and Jan. 1 limited to return Jan. 3 to all P. O. & N. stations and points on connecting lines at one and one-third fare for the round trip; children at one-half fare.

\$10,000.00 to loan on real estate. No bonus or commission required of the borrower. The EXCHANGE BANK, Cass City, Mich. 8-4-tf

Cass City Grain Co. AT DEFORD

Carries a full line of

LUMBER, LATH, SHINGLES,

DOORS AND WINDOWS, LIME, CEMENT, PULP PLASTER, HAIR, HARD AND SOFT COAL, FLOUR, WESTERN CORN, SEWER TILE, Etc.

Highest market prices paid for all kinds of Grain, Beans, Etc.

Sugar Beet Prices for 1906.
We will pay \$5 per ton for beets f. o. b. cars at any station along the P. O. & N. R. R. Beets weighed and tared before loading. We pay the freight on this contract. We also have the sliding contract. Contracts written

by A. A. MCKENZIE, Cass City, Peninsular Sugar Refining Co., 11-24-tf Caro, Mich.

W. Fallis has his accounts all made out and would like his friends to call and settle same at their earliest convenience. 12-8-2*

RECIPES

Baked Corn—Cover the bottom of a pudding dish with corn, then a layer of rolled crackers, add salt, pepper and butter.

Tomato Sauce For Bottling—Take a gallon of ripe tomatoes, add five pods of red peppers and cook until tender.

Apple Salad—Cut small round slices from the top of six nice King apples, hollow them out, making the pieces as large as possible.

Chocolate Cake—One and a half cups of sugar, half a cup of butter, half a cup of milk, one and three-fourths cups of flour, a quarter of a pound of chocolate, three eggs, one teaspoonful of cream of tartar, half a teaspoonful of soda.

Mayonnaise Dressing—The important thing in compounding a mayonnaise is to have all ingredients and utensils at the same temperature, whether chilled or moderately cold.

BE WISE AND BE LIGHT RUNNING NEW HOME

Advertisement for a sewing machine, featuring an illustration of the machine and text describing its features and price.

C. D. STRIFFLER, Agent Cass City, Mich.

PONTIAC, OXFORD & NORTHERN R. R. PASSENGER TIME CARD.

Table with columns for GOING NORTH and GOING SOUTH, listing train numbers, departure times, and stations.

To Buy or Sell, Use a Chronicle Liner

MICHIGAN BRIEFS.

The Farmers' State bank has been organized in Oxford with a capital stock of \$20,000.

Out of 204 paroles from the Ionia reformatory in the last six years only 17 convicts have broken faith.

Herman Mahn, justice of the peace, died suddenly Friday night in Buena Vista of congestion of the lungs.

The Cassopolis-Dowagiac stage was held up by a colored man near Dowagiac, but the robber secured nothing but \$1 and a box of tobacco.

"Ben, let's shake and make up," said Sheriff Haladay, extending his hand to Ben Becker, of Eaton Rapids, who while in jail threatened to kill anyone who came in his cell.

A quarrel between the trustees and the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Bay City resulted in closing the rooms a few weeks ago and prospects are the association will hereafter be unrepresented here.

The Holland Sugar Co. has issued a call to have all beets delivered by December 15.

The demand for stockers was not quite so good as it has been, but a few feeders were with last week.

The Old and New. Only, we find the rare plant known to botanists as "pulsanaria augustifolia," but which the forest children call "Joseph and Mary."

Chicago—Common to prime steers, \$2 00@2 75; cows, \$2 00@2 30; heifers, \$2 15@2 45; calves, \$2 50@3 00.

East Buffalo—Export steers, \$1 75@2 25; best 1,200 to 1,300-lb. steers, \$1 35@1 55.

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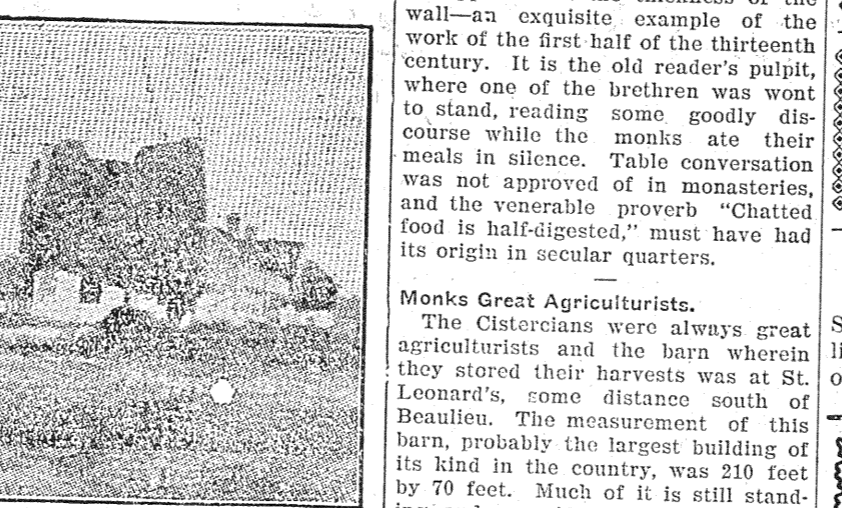
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Ruins of Old Beaulieu Among the Most Picturesque and Charming to Be Seen in England

(Special Correspondence.)

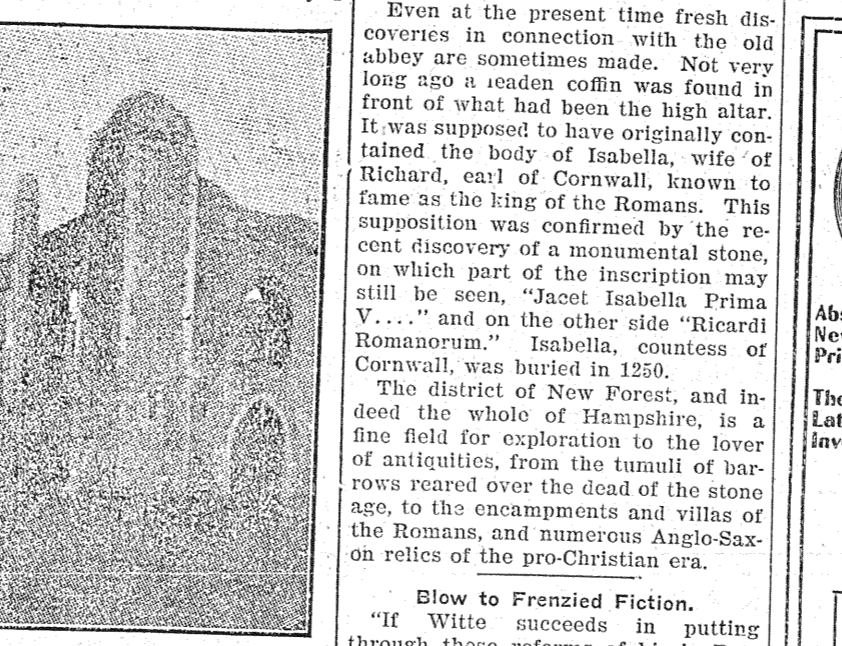
The delightfully situated ruins of the Abbey of Beaulieu in the New Forest, near the head of Southampton Water, England, are between four and five miles from Beaulieu Road station.



At Beaulieu, much is in ruins, but the great gate house, now called Palace house, is used at the present day as the seat of Lord Montagu of Beaulieu.

The monasteries of the middle ages combined the functions of hotels for travelers, of hospitals for the sick, of schools for the children, and their inmates were the guardians of learning and literature as well as of religion.

Prosperity Their Ruin. Their prosperity and power ultimately became their ruin: as time went on they outgrew their uses and were regarded as a danger to the community.



Ruins of a Grange. by Henry VIII. is barely greater than the surprise we feel at learning that one of them—this very same abbey of Beaulieu, was founded by King John.

Advertisement for P. A. Schenck, D. D. S., Dentist, located at the Graduate University of Michigan.

Advertisement for DR. M. M. Wickware, Physician and Surgeon, located at the Office over Cass City Bank.

Advertisement for DR. A. N. Treadgold, Physician and Surgeon, located at the Office over P. O.

Advertisement for H. T. Elliott, Funeral Director, located at the Office in Ale Bldg.

Advertisement for J. H. Hays, M. D., Physician and Surgeon, located at the Office at residence on S. Seeger St.

Advertisement for DR. F. H. Newberry, Physician and Surgeon, located at the Office on North Leach street.

Advertisement for Henry Butler, Attorney at Law, located at the Office in Chancery and Notary Public.

Advertisement for The New Sheridan, M. Sheridan, Prop., featuring a handsome new brick building.

Advertisement for BUCKINGHAM'S GINSENG GARDEN, Growers and Exporters, located in ZANESVILLE, OHIO.

Advertisement for "Twentyeth Century" Graphophone, featuring a gramophone and text describing its features.

Advertisement for Columbia Phonograph Company, featuring a gramophone and text describing its products and services.

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How Is Your Heart?

Is your pulse weak, too slow, too fast, or does it skip a beat? Do you have shortness of breath, weak or hungry spells, fainting, smothering or choking spells, palpitation, fluttering, pains around the heart, in side and shoulder; or hurt when lying on left side?

If you have any of these symptoms your heart is weak or diseased, and cannot get better without assistance.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure strengthens weak hearts, and rarely ever fails to cure heart disease. Try it, and see how quickly you will find relief.

"About January 1st, 1902, I took down with weakness and dropsy, and gradually grew worse. I was told by my family physician that my case was hopeless. My neighbors and family had given me up to die. My limbs and body were swollen to one-third larger than normal size, and water had collected around my heart. For at least three months I had to sit propped up in bed to keep from smothering. I sent for five bottles of Dr. Miles' Heart Cure, and by the time I had taken them all I was entirely cured. I feel better than I have for twenty years, and I am able to do any kind of work on my farm. My attending physician told me that if it hadn't been for Dr. Miles' Heart Cure I would now be in my grave."

L. T. CURD, Wilmore, Ky.
Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is sold by your druggist, who will guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. If it fails he will refund your money.
Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind

HOLBROOK.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hewitt transacted business in Uby Friday.

A large number from here attended the Thanksgiving supper at the town hall.

Mrs. A. Livingston, who has been ill for the past week, is no better at this writing.

Neil Morrison of Sheridan and brother, Dan, of Washington passed through town on Thursday.

The pupils in District No. 4, under the management of Miss Gracie are preparing for a Christmas entertainment.

Married on November 29, Miss Laura Hill of this place and Martin Armstrong of Port Huron. Congratulations.

WICKWARE.

W. A. Foe made a business trip to Bad Axe Monday.

Ada Foe attended church at this place Sunday evening.

Mrs. Jas. Watson returned home from Sandusky Friday where she has been taking medical treatment.

Lost—One pair of halters on Nov. 9, between McConnell hill on county-line and the McColl feed barn at Cass City. Finder will please leave at this office and receive reward of 50 cents.
12-8-1*

LOCAL ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Schwaderer received a message last week announcing the serious illness of their daughter, Miss Mable, at Dundee, Oregon. A later message stated that she was better and it was unnecessary for Mr. and Mrs. Schwaderer to go to her. She suffered a hemorrhage of the lungs.

On Sunday evening Kenneth and Miss Lillian Yakes favored the congregation at the Baptist church with a duet entitled, "Let the lower lights be burning," which was heartily enjoyed by everyone present. Both of these young people are talented singers and their music is always well received.

Leonard Bogart, a former resident of this place, died at his home in Saginaw Monday and his remains were brought to Cass City Thursday for burial. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Mulholland in the M. E. church Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and his remains laid to rest in Elkland cemetery.

On Sunday morning, December 10, Mrs. M. E. Randall of Bay City, district president of the W. C. T. U., will give a lecture in the Baptist church. A union meeting will be held in the M. E. church in the evening, and Mrs. Randall will deliver another lecture. The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings.

The union services held in the Baptist church on the evening of Thanksgiving day, were quite largely attended, the church being filled with an attentive audience. The sermon preached by Rev. W. Berze was enjoyed by all, as was the solo by Miss Clara Lenzer. The attendance was larger than usual this year owing to the services being held in the evening.

Last Friday evening Cass City Tent K. O. T. M. elected officers as follows: Com., A. D. Mead; Lieut. Com., Thos. Cross; R. K., A. A. P. McDowell; P. K., M. L. Moore; Chaplain, J. F. Hendrick; Physician, M. M. Wickware; Sergt., S. Dodge; M. A., A. D. Gillies; 1st M. G., P. S. Rice; 2nd M. G., H. F. Lenzer; Sentinel, John Scriber; Picket, W. A. Fairweather.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Losey were summoned to Oxford last Friday, having received the sad intelligence of the sudden death of Mr. Losey's father at that place. Cornelius Losey was sixty-five years of age and a life-long resident of Oakland county. He was taken ill last Thursday morning about three o'clock with neuralgia of the heart and died about six o'clock in the evening.

A lecture will be given at the town hall next Thursday evening, Dec. 14, by J. C. Lamb, the Socialist candidate for governor in the last campaign. The subject of the lecture is "Getting at the root of the matter." Holders of tickets on the picture raffle are requested to attend as the drawing will then be done and the picture awarded to the person who holds the lucky number.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church held its annual meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Henderson on Seeger street Wednesday afternoon at which time the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., Mrs. T. J. Henderson; vice pres., Mrs. D. J. Landon; sec., Mrs. T. H. Fritz; treas., Mrs. J. W. Heller. Tea was served, the receipts amounting to \$16.

Philip Striffler, who has been visiting relatives here for a couple of weeks, left on Monday to spend a few days in Flint and Detroit, before returning to his home in Lockport, N. Y. During his visit here, Mr. Striffler had the pleasure of meeting 110 relatives—all uncles, aunts, or first and second cousins. All of these relatives live within a two hours' drive from Cass City.

A new industry is to be started in Cass City in the near future in the form of a broom factory. It will be operated by Roy Fitch, who has already placed his order for the necessary machinery and has leased the residence owned by Mrs. Seeger at the corner of Third and Grant streets, which will be used as a workshop. Roy is an industrious and ambitious young man and should receive the patronage of the entire community.

Mrs. Robt. Kile, whose recent marriage is mentioned in another column in this issue, was the recipient of a pleasant surprise when about thirty of her friends gathered at her home shortly after eight o'clock Monday evening. The event is pronounced a most enjoyable one by those who were in attendance. Mrs. Kile served the company with a tempting lunch during the evening. She was presented with a silver tea pot and stand.

The fence gang of the P. O. & N., while putting in a new piece of fence at the crossing near P. A. Koepfgen's farm northwest of town a few weeks ago, unearthed a nest of ninety-three snakes which had gone into winter quarters in a post hole. The snakes ranged from six inches to two feet in length and there was some lively stepping around that vicinity until

the snakes were killed. Undoubtedly some of the fence gang have been seen in their dreams since.

At a regular meeting of Cass City L. O. L. No 214, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. M., Wm. Welch; D. M., Thomas Cross; Rec. Sec., W. A. Anderson; Treas., F. Sykes; F. Sec., R. Bayley; Chap., James Ferguson; D. of C., F. A. McBurney; Con., J. B. Vance; Asst. Con., M. Parent; Inside Tyler, J. Kilbourn; Outside Tyler, Chas. Geno; 1st Com., John Welch; 2nd Com., G. W. Goff; 3rd Com., I. Hall; 4th Com., Geo. Seed; 5th, A. D. Gillies; Grand Representative, W. A. Anderson; Alternate Representative, I. Hall; Finance Com., G. W. Goff and M. Parent.

On Tuesday evening the annual business meeting of the Epworth League was held in the M. E. church at which there was a good attendance. The election of officers took place with the following result: Pres., F. A. Bigelow; 1st vice pres., A. A. P. McDowell; 2nd vice pres., Miss Mina Orr; 3rd vice pres., Miss Etta Keating; 4th vice pres., Mrs. L. I. Wood; sec'y., Miss Ora McKim; treas., Miss Faustina Brown; organist, Miss Mae Landon; chorister, Miss Lottie Bradley. At the conclusion of the business meeting a short program was rendered which was heartily enjoyed by all present.

More Locals on Last Page.

PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS.

With Christmas less than three weeks ahead the Sunday schools of the four churches in town are making definite plans for suitable exercises in their respective churches. Christmas trees, the delight of every boy and girl, will form an important part in the exercises, and undoubtedly the patron saint, Santa Claus, will make his annual visit and distribute gifts.

At the Evangelical church on Monday evening, December 25, there will be a program in which the members of the Sunday school will take part. A Christmas tree will be an important feature.

At the M. E. church on the same evening there will be a program given by the younger members of the school and possibly a tree will feature in the evening's pleasures.

The exercises to be given by the Presbyterian Sunday school will also be held on Monday evening and will consist of a Christmas tree. The name of every member of the school is to be written on a slip of paper and placed in a box previous to the entertainment and each one is entitled to a "draw." The scholar is to buy a present for the person whose name he draws from the box, and place it on the tree. This undoubtedly will prove a very novel way of entertaining.

At the Baptist church a program will be given on Monday evening, which is being carefully prepared by the members of the school. The officers are planning on having a Christmas tree.

BUY CHRISTMAS GIFTS NOW.

Do your Christmas shopping now. The lines of holiday goods are now practically complete. The merchants have the full selection and the clerks have more time now to show goods than they will have later on.

Purchasers will find it to their advantage to visit the stores today, tomorrow or as soon as they can. There remain but fourteen days, including today, before Christmas, in which shopping can be done.

Look over the advertising columns of the Chronicle. They contain many excellent suggestions for Christmas purchasers from the progressive business men of the city.

DEATH OF A. BLACK.

Archibald Black died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Steve Williams, five miles east of town, on Nov. 29. The funeral services were held at the residence Friday morning and the remains laid to rest in Elkland cemetery.

Mr. Black was born in New York state 93 years ago. He was the father of thirteen children, five of whom survive him.

SCHOOL NOTES.

The pins for the C. C. Club have arrived.

The new codas for "Anchored" have arrived.

A local definition of "jaunty" is "on the half trot."

The orthoepy class has learned to pronounce orthoepy (?)

Howard McCrea has returned to school after a long absence.

Daisy Donaldson of Pigeon visited the high school Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Frutchey and Mrs. Doerr visited the first and second grades Tuesday.

Laura Foster of Flint and Kenneth Yakes have entered the grammar room.

The little folks are making the big folks "clear the track" owing to the coasting on the hill.

We have heard that Santa Claus expects to make a visit to the little folks at school this year.

Several hunting expeditions were

The Great Closing Out Sale

Is certainly the Place to get Bargains

We have reduced several lines of goods so they are broken up in sizes and we will begin to close out those broken lots at

Still Lower Prices Than Before...

The lines we wish to call your special attention to are

Ladies' and Children's Coats, Hosiery, Underwear, Gloves, Knit Shawls, Rain coats, Ladies' Suits and Capes

J. S. McARTHUR

THE MODEL

will join issue in the above sale and will sell lots of goods in

Clothing, Shoes and Furnishing Goods at wholesale prices

We expect to continue business in this line, but will put all our new fall goods on sale at a big reduction consisting of new and nobby styles in

MEN'S, BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S SUITS

Overcoats, Hats and Caps, Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes, Fur Coats, etc. We have a large new stock and will endeavor to please you in quality, style and price.

The Model Clothing and Shoe Co.

P. S. McGREGORY, Prop.

enjoyed by the boys during vacation. They have not reported the game.

Whatever else may be found green in the high school, the sponge is wanting. Zoology class is repining.

Lost—Pitch pipe and music hour. Finder please return first to music teacher, second to the grammar room.

Congress has opened and every student ought to become familiar with the main suggestions of the President's message.

A golden opportunity was offered one of our juniors by a senior on the way to school one day. We are sorry to say it was not accepted.

Jack Frost made a flying but unwelcome visit to the lower rooms during vacation, nipping the buds and plants so carefully preserved.

Miss Cochran attained her majority on Tuesday and she was very agreeably surprised Tuesday evening. On Wednesday she was Armstrong and they couldn't e vader in the march.

A considerable number of pupils journeyed to their various homes last week to enjoy their share of the Thanksgiving turkey. Some did not return until Monday noon owing to the delay of the trains (?)

The Teachers' Association for Tuscola county convenes in Caro Friday evening of this week. Cass City expects to be represented—not alone by the present corps of teachers—but by alumni and would be teachers from among her students. Mr. Sinclair presents a paper, "The True Teacher."

A meeting of the senior class was held Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 28, for the purpose of reading and considering the constitution drawn up by a committee, and also to elect officers for the class. The following officers were elected: Pres., Irwin Bradford; Vice Pres., Frank Utley; Sec., Mabel Robinson; Treas., Eliza Sommerville.

DEFORD.

Snow is coming.

Mr. Reid of Route 3 has purchased a new mail wagon.

Henry Cuer and family have moved to their new residence.

Miss Maude Bentley returned home from Lum Saturday noon.

Mrs. Peter Daugherty left Saturday morning to visit her mother at White Lake.

Harry McCaughn returned to Owosso Monday morning where he attends school.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Wilson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Martin of the town line.

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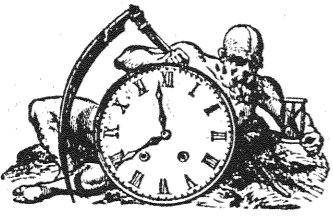
Miss Anna Stevenson has been staying at the hotel with Miss Zela Ross for the past week.

Mr. Cooley of Gagetown is taking Miss Anderson's place in her school while she is ill with tonsillitis.

Miss Edna Spencer returned home Monday after spending Thanksgiving with friends at North Branch.

On Wednesday, November 29, a pretty wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hack, when their eldest daughter, Delilah, was united in marriage to Ernest, Cooper of Northeast Kingston.

The Ostrander store and rooms above to rent. Enquire at Cass City Bank. 11-10-11



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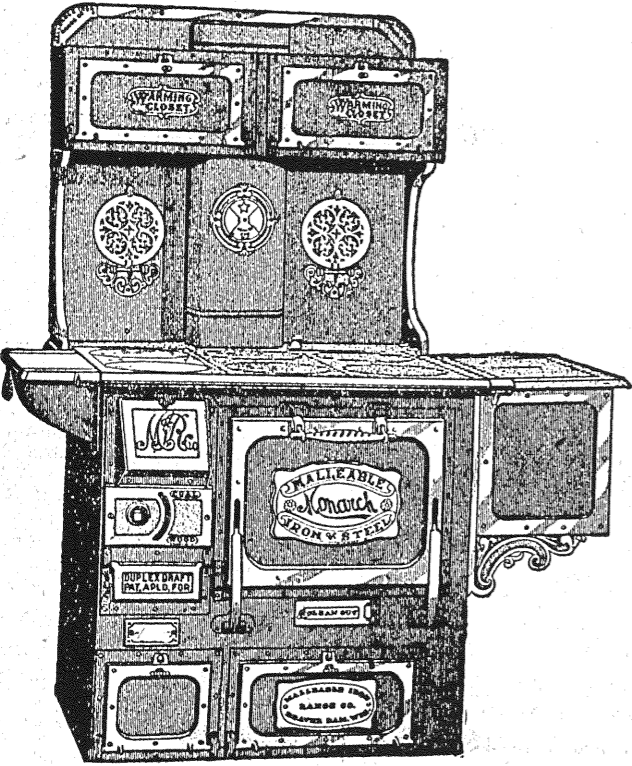
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Thanking you for the liberal patronage for the year, I solicit a share of your trade for 1906.

Yours respectfully,

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KINGSTON.
Percy Legg made a trip to Caro on Saturday.

Herbert Corliss went to Pontiac on Friday morning.
Miss Madge Stewart is mistress at the postoffice now.

Dr. Hanna visited friends in Canada Thanksgiving day.

Martin Flynn of Cass City was a caller in town Tuesday.

Percy Legg and Fred Hopps made a trip to Marlette Wednesday.
Urvilla Miller and Ila Harris were callers in Caro last Wednesday.

A. P. Jeffery spent Thanksgiving day with his son, Frank, at Pontiac.
Smith's Plantation Pastime company is at Burns' opera house this week.

Miss McCool of Clifford is the guest of Mrs. L. Ealey and other relatives here.

Herman Gabert has bought out the bakery part of H. P. Randall's grocery store.
A party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Legg Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Best of King's Mills were visitors here the first of the week.
An illustrated lecture will be given at the M. E. church Friday evening of the week.

Wm. Dusenbury left Friday morning for Pontiac where he will work this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Veit spent Thanksgiving day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Howey.

Mrs. Carrie Ross visited her sister, Mrs. Tompkins, of Clifford Thanksgiving day, returning home Friday evening.

Miss Deitz received the sad news of her father's death on Saturday last and went Monday morning to attend the funeral near Caro.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Rossman and daughter, Pearl, were called to Dryden Saturday by the death of a relative and returned home Monday.

Word has been received here that the Kingston people who left for Cuba a short time ago, have landed and report everything lovely.

Dr. and Mrs. Bates went to Sarnia Thanksgiving morning and returned home Friday noon. Master Arthur Bates accompanied them home and will remain here for some time.

Miss Maud Reddon returned from Detroit on Saturday evening, but on Sunday morning she received a message of her father's death, and returned to Detroit Monday to attend the funeral.

CANBORO.
Walter Lavigne was in Bay Port Friday.

Joseph Mellendorf was in Elkton Friday.

H. Mellendorf, Sr., was in Bad Axe Saturday.

Miss Lydia Parker is visiting friends in Pontiac.

Henry Mellendorf is working for Mr. Leepka at present.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Hartsell are visiting relatives in Lapeer.

Chris Pederson and Lewis Jarvis were in Elkton Monday.

Services at the Canboro church Sunday afternoon, Dec. 10.
Miss Mary Mellendorf spent Sunday with Grace McTaggart in Sheridan.

Mrs. Geo. Parker spent a few days of last week with her sister in Saginaw.

The Misses Ella and Rose Hackett spent a few days last week in Kilmanagh.

Mrs. S. Lown returned home Saturday after spending a few days with relatives in Saginaw.

ARGYLE.
John Sandham visited at Crosswell last week.

Clarence Meyers has returned from Crosswell where he has been employed.
Jennie McIntyre, who has been ill with typhoid fever, is slowly improving.
Chas. Putney, commissioner of

Order of Publication.
STATE OF MICHIGAN, In the Circuit Court for the County of Tuscola, In Chancery. Daisy B. Crosby vs. Peter W. Crosby. Suit pending in the Circuit Court for this County of Tuscola in Chancery, at Caro on the 14th day of November A. D. 1905. In this case it appearing from affidavit on file that the Defendant, Peter W. Crosby, is not a resident of this state, but resides at Pittsburg in the state of Pennsylvania, on notice of T. J. Eveland, Complainant's solicitor, it is ordered that the said Defendant within four months from the date of this order, and in case of his appearance that he cause his answer to the Complainant's Bill of Complaint to be filed, and a copy thereof to be served on said Complainant's Solicitor, within fifteen days after service on him of a copy of said bill, and notice of this order; and that in default thereof, said bill be taken as confessed by the said non-resident Defendant. And it is further ordered, that within twenty days the said complainant cause a notice of this order to be published in the Tri-County Chronicle, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said county, and at least once in each week, for six weeks in succession, or that she cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said non-resident Defendant, at least twenty days before the time above described for his appearance.
ABRAHAM J. RANDALL,
Circuit Court Commissioner,
Tuscola County, Michigan.
T. J. EVELAND,
Complainant's Solicitor.
Business address Mayville, Mich. 11-27-7

schools, called on friends in town last week.
Emma Freiburger, who has been employed at Sandusky, is visiting her home here.

John and R. B. Zavits of Yale spent Thanksgiving with their sister, Mrs. Chas. McCarty.

Mrs. Daniel Ross will have an auction sale at her farm three miles north of Argyle on Friday, Dec. 15. A. A. McKenzie is the auctioneer.

Little Pearl Matthews, who has been sick with typhoid fever, passed away last Wednesday after just a week's illness. Her body was laid to rest on Thanksgiving day in the Austin cemetery. Rev. J. Gordon preached the funeral sermon on Sunday morning. The griefstricken parents have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

EAST NOVESTA.
Robert Brown was a Deford visitor Tuesday.

David McKim visited friends at Noko Sunday.
Mrs. Alex Sangster is very ill at the home of her parents.

Fay presses are pressing hay for Fred Palmateer this week.
Emmett Holcomb is at Yale caring for his father who is very ill.

M. D. Mills of Novesta is on the sick list. Dr. Howell attends him.
Miss Brooks of Shabbona is caring for Mrs. J. Brown during her illness.

The sweet chime of wedding bells will be heard in our midst in the near future.
Mrs. L. H. Palmateer will entertain friends from Detroit during the holidays.

Geo. Dewey threshed 45 bushels of beans to the acre. Can any of your neighbors beat that John?

Mrs. Jas. Brown, who has been sick for some time, is now confined to her bed. Dr. Hays attends her.
An M. E. minister from Sandusky preached an eloquent sermon in the Greenbank M. E. church Sunday.

Miss Ethel Martin and scholars of the Ferguson school are preparing a splendid program to be given the Friday evening before Christmas. Everybody welcome.

Miss Althea Gooden of Lamotte and Miss Lizzie Jones of Saginaw were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams on Thanksgiving. Miss Jones remained over Sunday, returning to Saginaw Monday.

AKRON.
Mrs. Eliza Reid has gone to Bay City for a visit of a few weeks.

Miss Dolly Brindle is entertaining a sister from Sebawaing this week.
Warren Galbraith spent the latter part of last week at Mackinaw and other points.

Miss Edith Miller spent Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Sellers, at Unionville.

Miss Nina Karr and brother, Herbert of Cass City spent Friday and Saturday at Dr. Treadgold's.

Mr. and Mrs. Morley Zander and little son of St. Charles are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Stacy.
The entertainment given at the M. E. church Thanksgiving evening was a decided success. Great credit is given those who rendered their parts so well in the "Old Maids' Convention." The proceeds amounted to \$30.

CUMBER.
Christmas will soon be here.
Earl Master is home from the woods.
Mrs. Stephen Peter is worse at this writing.

L. D. Mills has received a load of Christmas goods.
Thos Brown expects to go to the woods this winter.

M. Schiestel is busy hauling grain to town this week.
Ed Nelson is chore boy in a lumber camp near Oscoda.

Mr. Miller is contemplating going to Detroit to work after the holidays.
The Thanksgiving supper, which was held here, was well attended. All had a good time and plenty to eat.

WEST GREENLEAF.
George Dickey is working for John Waldon this week.

There was prayer meeting at the home of Wm. Harrison Tuesday afternoon.
Miss Lena Soldan has gone to Kalamazoo where she has accepted a position in the asylum.

Miss Clara LePla spent Thanksgiving at her parental home here, returning to Cass City Friday.

HUGE TASK.
It was a huge task to undertake the cure of such a bad case of kidney disease as that of C. F. Collier of Cherokee, Ia., but Electric Bitters did it. He writes, "My kidneys were so far gone I could not sit on a chair without a cushion and suffered from dreadful backache, headache and depression. In Electric Bitters, however, I found a cure, and by them was restored to perfect health. I recommend this great tonic medicine to all with weak kidneys, liver or stomach. Guaranteed by L. I. Wood & Co., druggists, price 50c."

SHABBONA.
Mrs. Thos. Hoagg is visiting relatives in Canada.

Jennie Fullmer has returned to her home at Argyle.
Roy Phillips of Cass City spent Sunday at his home here.

The Sisters of Help met Thursday with Mrs. Wm. Cargill.
Mrs. Wm. Spencer is reported to be gaining from her recent illness.

Essie Phillips spent Saturday and Sunday with Emma Auslander.
Mrs. Phoebe Ferguson of Pontiac came last Thursday to care for her sister, Mrs. Wm. Spencer.

Mrs. S. DeHill and Mrs. M. Vining of Lamotte were the guests of Geo. H. Jones and family Tuesday.
Mrs. Loren Weeks and children of Detroit are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stephens.

D. W. Wait and family and Rev. R. Stephenson spent Thanksgiving with H. S. Wait and wife at Sandusky.
The dance given Thursday evening in Ehlers' hall was well attended and a good time enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Clemons and daughters of Decker spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Chas. Keyworth.
Mrs. E. A. Keyworth and daughter, Elizabeth, spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Parrott at Cass City.

Herb Ehlers spent Thanksgiving at his home here. He returned Monday morning to his school duties at Ann Arbor.
Jas. Groombridge and Christopher Pangman have returned home from Wolverine owing to the illness of the latter.

The Latter Day Saints held a wood bee Tuesday in Mr. McLaren's woods for the purpose of getting up wood for their church.
The Thanksgiving supper served by the L. O. T. M. M. netted them \$27 which will be used to pay the debt on the Maccabee hall.

Leslie Phillips, who has been employed the past year by Agar Bros. in Cass City, has finished his work and returned to his home here.
Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Maxwell of St. Clair are visiting friends and relatives here. Mrs. Maxwell will be better known as Gertie Bowney, formerly of this place.

PINGREE.
Zero weather for Thanksgiving.
R. Sherman is working for parties in Pingree.

Robert Craig is putting down a well for the convenience of stock.
John Fox has purchased a new steel range procured in Cass City recently.
Cutting poplar wood is the foremost occupation in this vicinity since the zero weather.

The number of subscribers for the Tri-County Chronicle is increasing steadily in this locality.
Edward Flint is making his usual rounds every Friday for cream for the Port Huron Empire Produce Co.

Jas. McLachlin of Sandusky is making a general canvass of Sanilac county in the interest of the Sanilac Atlas company.
Misses May and Etta Mark, who teach school at Laling and Urban, were home for Thanksgiving and returned to their schools the first of the week.

The new pastor, Rev. Stearns from Leeds, England, now occupying the M. E. circuit of Wickware, Shabbona and McHugh appointments, is making a favorable impression.
A number of visitors, former pupils of school No. 5, Evergreen, now teachers and graduates, paid a welcome visit to the school and present teacher, Nellie Jones of Shabbona.

A BAD SCARE.
Some day you will get a bad scare when you feel a pain in your bowels and fear appendicitis. Safety lies in Dr. King's New Life Pills, a sure cure for all bowel and stomach diseases, such as headache, biliousness, constipation, etc. Guaranteed at L. I. Wood & Co's. drug store, only 25c. Try them.

ELLINGTON.
F. E. Manley has commenced his job of lumbering.
Mr. and Mrs. Snell of Swartz Creek are visiting relatives here.

A. N. Hatch disposed of 20 acres of his timber to Wm. Fitzgerald.
Wm. Fessler and son, Stanley, spent a few days with friends in Silverwood.

Messrs. Wickware, Balch and Gould have returned from their hunting trip.
Some of our citizens seem to think that Sunday was set aside for hunting rabbits.

The chicken-pie social held at Jas. Wilson's was not largely attended on account of the busy time.
While Mr. and Mrs. Hudson and little daughter were returning from town, the thills broke, frightening the horse and causing a runaway. The occupants were thrown from the buggy and Mrs. Hudson was injured quite badly.

Died, at his residence in Caro Dec. 2, John Dietz, Sr., aged 66 years. The deceased was a highly respected citizen of this town for 45 years. Last spring, having sold his farm to his son, James, he removed to Caro where he has since resided. The funeral was held at the home of Jas. Dietz at two o'clock Tuesday and the remains interred in the Ellington cemetery.

NOKO.
Snow but no sleighing.
Will Simmons has gone to Onaway. Roy Colwell of Novesta visited friends here Tuesday.
Dr. and Mrs. Truesdell of Shabbona visited friends here Wednesday.

The new road south of here is now open and the travel has commenced.
C. J. Beers and son, Lynn, have returned home from a trip to Bay City and a visit in the coal mines.

J. Philpot and bride are now ready to receive their many friends in their new home one-half mile east of Cass river.
Mrs. Claud Shaw, who has been quite ill the past month at the home of her parents at Novesta, returned home Friday.

The Lewis Bros., who have been through here lately with a stock of groceries, have moved their stock and are now keeping a grocery store in Ubly.
J. Sutton and family, who recently purchased the Fred Howard property, have moved from Romeo and are now quite settled. Mr. Sutton took the train at Marlette Friday to attend the funeral of a relative.

KARR'S CORNERS.
Selah Butler now drives a western pony.
Miss Lettie Loomis now works for Willard Wells at Gagetown.

H. Charter had quite an exciting runaway at Gagetown Monday but luckily there was no damage done.
John and Geo. Karr have each purchased an elegant new hard coal burner of Winchester & McGinn of Gagetown.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O'Brien, Jos. O'Brien and Miss Mabel Wickware spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Franklin LaPorge at Gagetown.
Miss Vicie Karr, accompanied by Miss Ina Gough of Gagetown spent Thanksgiving at the guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. Wm. Sorenson, at Reese.

ALMER.
Mrs. S. Marsaw is on the sick list.
Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Andrews were in Caro Monday.
Mrs. Putmen visited her son and family Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Fish were in Caro on business Friday.
Alfred Hall and Charlie Mulholland were in Colwood Saturday.
Emma Mulholland visited her sister, Mrs. H. Wesley, a few days last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Fish have rented their farm to John Dorser and expect to move on Thursday to near Petoskey.

DYING OF FAMINE.
Is, in its torments, like dying of consumption. The progress of consumption, from the beginning to the very end, is a long torture, both to victim and friends. "When I had consumption in its first stage," writes Wm. Myers of Cearfoss, Md., "after trying different medicines and a good doctor in vain, I at last took Dr. King's New Discovery, which quickly and perfectly cured me." Prompt relief and sure cure for coughs, colds, sore throat, bronchitis, etc. Positive! Prevents pneumonia. Guaranteed at L. I. Wood & Co's. drug store, price 50c and \$1.00 a bottle. Trial bottle free.

ELMWOOD.
Fred Smith and family moved to Ellington Monday.
John Emmons and wife visited friends in Cass City Sunday.

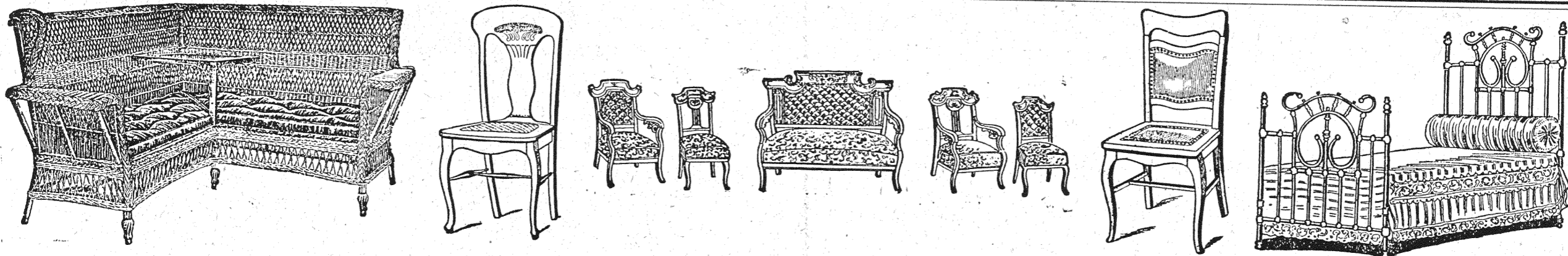
Orson Hendrick, Jr., is now working for W. Ware and attending school. Jas. Walters made a trip to Bay City with a load of poultry last week. A chicken-pie social was held at the home of Jas. Wilson last Wednesday night.

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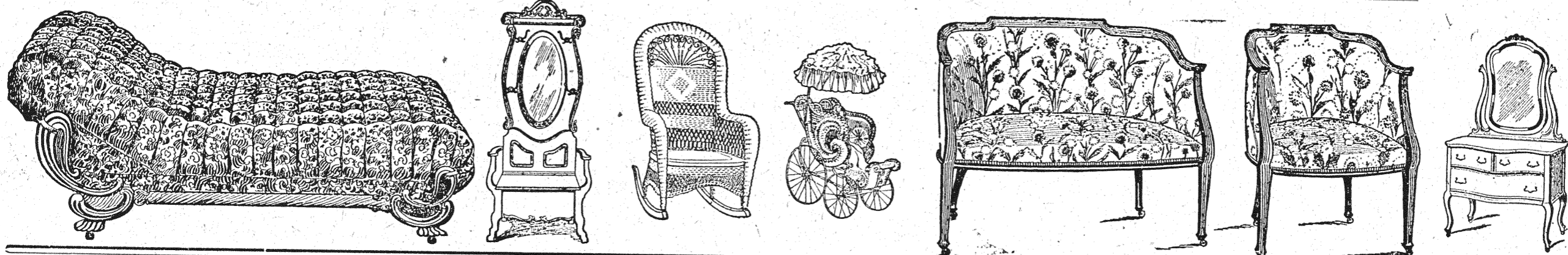
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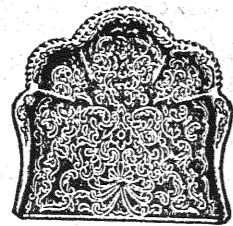


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CHURCH WILL BE DEDICATED

By Evangelical Society at Caro on Sunday, December 10.

The handsome new edifice just being completed by the Evangelical association of Caro will be ready for occupancy within the coming week, says the Tuscola County Courier, and the dedicatory services will be held on Sunday, December 10th, under the direction of Rev. S. P. Spreng, editor of the Evangelical Messenger of Cleveland, Ohio. The entire program of opening services will occupy parts of three days, beginning on Friday evening, December 8th, when the first services will be held, Rev. F. C. Berger, of Flint, presiding. Mr. Berger is the presiding elder of this district and well known here as an able speaker.

On Saturday, December 9th, services will be held at two o'clock in the afternoon and seven thirty in the evening. On that day there will be present in addition to the gentleman previously mentioned, Rev. J. A. Frye and Rev. F. Klump, of Detroit, and G. A. Hettler, of Jackson, presiding elders of other districts. The services of the day will be divided among these speakers and all of the meetings will be full of interest to the general public. As stated, Sunday, December 10th, will be the day of formal dedication, the dedicatory address being delivered at the regular morning hour by Rev. S. P. Spreng. Mr. Spreng is well known as an able platform orator and it is expected that the address will be especially attractive. All of the congregations of the city will unite in this service, other churches suspending their morning gatherings for the occasion.

Among the other pastors from different parts of the state who are expected to be present are: Rev. W. L. Martin, of Monroe, home missionary of the denomination of this state; Rev. Wm. Berge of Cass City; Rev. H. Voelker of Elkton; Rev. P. H. Pohley of Chelsea; Rev. W. Swenk of Ida, the last two being former pastors in Caro, and Rev. Noah Frye of Pigeon. Many other visitors are expected to be present on the occasion from neighboring towns in this part. It is expected that the three days of services will be of such a character as to draw full houses at every gathering; and the people of Caro are sure to show

their appreciation of the opening of another splendid church home by turning out in full numbers. Music for the various meetings will be furnished by the choir of the church.

The new church building, located at the southwest corner of State and Washington streets, is an edifice which will at once attract attention as one of the handsomest structures in the city. It is of beautiful architectural design and constructed throughout of rock faced stone. The building, while not a large one of its class, after all presents a style that is at once massive and artistic. The corner site is a very favorable one and the church plans have been made to take advantage of the situation. The two towers furnish entrances on two sides through large double doors, flanked by solid stone steps. Entering the church the visitor is at once impressed with the degree of artistic skill displayed in the ornamental and decorative work and by the many conveniences revealed in the arrangement of the rooms, etc.

The entire structure measures 45x56 feet and the two towers supporting the main edifice are 12x12. Entering the auditorium one finds a large room measuring 36x36 feet, which is joined by an annex 20x32 feet. These two rooms are so arranged as to be thrown together by the opening of two immense accordion doors built of quarter sawed oak. A special room has been planned for the accommodation of the choir and pastor, opening to the choir loft and rostrum. The loft measures 18x9 feet and the rostrum 20x6 feet. All of the paneling and decorative woodwork is of quarter sawed oak beautifully finished. The seats are circular in style, made of the same material, the ends having a rubbed finish. The decorations of the ceiling and side walls are particularly beautiful and artistic, both in design and coloring. The prevailing colors in the decorations are beautiful shades of green over which are placed the designs in shades of red blended to pink. The designs combine some of the handsome conventional borders in pink and red roses. The work was done by Messrs. J. J. Carpenter of this city, and J. McKenzie, of Cass City. These gentlemen have proved themselves skilled decorators and the work done in this case will always stand as a mark of their ability, both in design and coloring. The work of carpeting

the church will be completed within a few days and the final touches will be given to the interior in ample time to be ready for the dedication services.

One particularly commendable feature of the interior of the church is the method employed in lighting. The ceiling is Gothic in style with heavy relief work on the cornices and hip moulds, and the one hundred and fifteen electric lights used are distributed along the mouldings and cornices in such a manner as to secure the most even distribution of light. The edifice is heated by the hot air system. The new bell which has just been hung in the tower measures forty-two inches in diameter.

The arrangement of the windows is also very fine, the two large stained glass windows measuring 14x20. In one is the picture of the Boy Christ, furnished by the Junior Young People's Association; and the other represents the Man Christ, furnished by the church. In the choir loft are three stained glass windows, and six large windows furnish ample light for the annex. Cathedral, apseless and art glass has been used in the window designs. While the basement rooms will not at the present time be arranged for use for prayer meetings or smaller meetings, the plans of the church are so arranged as to permit of the finishing off of a large room at any time in the future.

The cost of the interior furnishings of the church will reach \$1,200, while the church completed as it stands represents an outlay of about \$8,000 in cash. However, as much labor, etc., has been donated, the structure represents a valuation much higher than figure.

THE CITY BOY'S SONG.

The city boy sings: Take me out where the autumn skies bend over summer as she dies, where restless birds begin to flock and the ripened corn is in the shock, where the gentle quail pipes to her mate, and the crows and blackbirds congregate, where the frisky squirrels and chipmunks play, and are storing their winter's food away; where the big red apples swing in the breeze and the frost has touched the maple trees. Oh, take me out where the pumpkins grow, away from the haunts of selfish men and the faint of the money changer's den. Out to the country I want to fly and tickle my slats with good mince pie.

AN INTERESTING STORY.

A peculiarly interesting story of the gradual gathering up of parts of his former home and furnishings during the summer is told by Wm. Hutchinson, Sr., of Ellington township, who observed Thanksgiving in his new home. All that remained to mark the place of his former home, which was carried away by a cyclone last June, were three chairs and a few scattered splinters. The family dining table was found in different parts of the neighborhood and has been reassembled with the exception of the center leg, which a woman was seen to pick up as a souvenir. The organ also had a singular experience in rapid transit, a number of its parts being found

eight miles away. Every tree in his magnificent orchard was picked up and carried away. Notwithstanding the numerous difficulties encountered by this family, the day of Thanksgiving and prayer to the Great Master for blessings received and others yet to come, was observed with fervor.

THE COST OF A BOY.

The Newton Mentor: Someone has figured out that the average boy who is dependent upon his parents for a livelihood until he reaches the age of 21 years cost them \$4,000. Upon this basis of calculation a brood, for instance six boys, will represent an outlay of \$24,000 by the time they leave the roost. The question naturally

arises, does it pay to raise boys, and are no other crops that would be more profitable? If a boy turns out to be a cigarette fiend with a laugh that would make the wild untutored donkey feel perfectly at home in his society, and with an untrammelled and unconquerable desire to avoid work, it is safe to say the parents might have invested to better advantage. But if the boy grows with the lesson well learned that wealth and success grow only on bushes by the sweat of the brow, the parents need not begrudge whatever they have spent on him for he will be a source of increasing joy and pride to their hearts when they grow old and their hands tremble and their legs wobble and their steps are slow and faltering. They will then have two strong arms to lean upon.

HIRCUS, THE DANCING BILLY GOAT

By MICKEY FINN

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 It was Christmas eve, and Patrick Doolan, the foreman of the gas works, had summoned a goodly company of his friends to celebrate the holiday season and the arrival of two barrels of Irish turf from his native town. A bushel of this peat lay glowing in the fireplace. While the snow was softly piling itself upon the window casings and the wind was taking liberties with the shutters Judy Callahan slyly pinned upon the lapel of Dick Walsh, the letter carrier, a sprig of Irish ivy. By inquiry from rheumatic Flaherty, who sat in the ingle nook nourishing his shins, Dick learned that the symbolic meaning of Irish ivy is "I cling to thee." Judy's shriek a moment later indicated that



"TWAS THREE MONTHS O' STRAP AND CARROTS."

Dick had taken advantage of the information. Just then Jack Doolan, the youthful heir to the Doolan estate, put his head inside the door.

"Father, can I bring in the nanny? The snow is fallin' on her through the roof, and she's tremblin' wid the cold."

"Of course, my son," said Mr. Doolan heartily. "Bring her in. We don't want our milk watered."

"That's a fine baste you have there," said Flaherty. "How much milk does she give?"

"Two quarts a day, but she used to give three quarts a day before her husband died. She's pinin' away since that time, poor gur'l. I think 'tis the love-sickness she has," said Mr. Doolan.

"Dear, dear, look at that, now!" said Mrs. Reagan sympathetically. "I always said that nanny goats was shtamintle. And how long is the billy goat dead, Mr. Doolan?"

"'Tis five years the 24th day o' this month," replied Doolan. "Sorrah day 'twas when we lost Hircus. A more geynial nor a more willin' goat you would not find in all Har-rem. Sure his death was a tragedy and a calamity."

"How was that?" quavered old man Dougherty, the stonemason.

"Well," resumed Doolan, "'twas a tragedy the way he was translated and a calamity when his death took away the only chance I ever had o' makin' a fortune."

"'Tis queer about goats," continued Doolan. "They are born wid a certain amount of eddiesham. Show me the goat that wouldn't know a cabbage or a turnip when he sees it. Of course a goat knows nothin' about machinery. There was a goat that used to stop the horses drawin' a street car, but when they put a trolley car on the track you couldn't find that much o' the goat as would grease a griddle. But a goat can be eddicated wid sugar and a strap to do tricks. Now, I suppose none o' ye would believe me if I told ye that I taught Hircus to dance as fine a jig or hornpipe as ever you saw in a theater."

A chorus of disbelief arose.

"Yes," said Doolan, "and no Frinch lady could do a finer *pass seul* on her toes, as they say in the heathen language. You must remember that I was very poor, and I'd be layin' awake nights thinkin' o' some plan by way o' makin' a fortune, and when my wife bought the two kids to start the dairy the idee came to me like a flash—I could eddicate the goat to dance. When I got that idee in me head I could think of nothin' else. Cassidy, how much money do you think a dancin' goat could earn on a theater stage?"

"Well," replied Cassidy, "I should think that \$300 a week would be none too little for so dignacious a curiosity."

"There," resumed Doolan. "D'ye hear what Cassidy says? Three hundred dollars a week for half an hour's work a day! Faith, I felt the money in me hand! But 'twas weary work teachin' the goat. An old animal trainer told me that cruelty and kindness mixed would do the job. When the goat minded me I tickled his ribs and gave him carrots, but when he got stubborn I lathered him with a strap. Mrs. O'Brien, you remember the time we had teachin' Hircus to walk across the room on his hind legs?"

"Deed I do, Doolan!" said Mrs. O'Brien, with a reminiscent sigh.

"Ye'll excuse me, ladies and gentle-

men," said Flaherty, rising and putting on his hat, "but I must leave ye. A dancin' goat is too much for my voracity. I couldn't swallow it."

When the door had closed Doolan went on: "Every night after supper the table was shoved back agin the wall and the lesson began. And would you believe it, it takes three months to teach the goat to stand on his hind legs for five minutes! After that 'twas easier. There was a little gur-rl named Ellen next door that took a great interest in the eddication of the goat. She was about the size of the goat when she stood up, and 'twas pure joy to see Hircus waltzin' around the kitchen to the music of my fiddle. With the goat's head on her shoulder and her arms around his neck they would whirl slowly around in the dawdlin' circles of the mazy, as the poet says—

"How perfectly lovely!" exclaimed Judy Callahan.

"After the lesson was over each night I used to give the goat all kinds of tasty things, like potato peelin's, cabbage stumps and such like, as a reward, and 'twas the habit o' keepin' the goat hungry all day that led to the loss o' my fortune. 'Twas three months o' strap and carrots before the goat could do a dancin' heel and toe, work as hard as I might, and two weary months before he would nod his head and make a bow the same as if he was before an awljence."

"Hark to that now," said Dougherty to Judy Callahan in a whisper. "A goat makin' a bow!"

"As I said before," Doolan went on, "when the goat had learned to bow at a wink we made his billy suit. The thing that cost the most was the skirt. Made of red silk and shaped like a parasol. It looked like a hollyhook turned upside down. Then we put a little green cap wid a red tassel on the goat's head and a pair o' white slippers on his feet. And when we showed him his picture in the glass he grinned like a woman puttin' on her Sunday bonnet. The tears fill me eyes when I think that only for that Joker Reagan I might be ridin' in me own divvil wagon wid rubber wheels."

"The first public appearance of the goat as a billy dancer took place in a barn in the Bronx. We fixed up a stage wid planks and boxes, and 25 cents was charged at the door. The news got around, and long before the time to begin the show the barn was crowded to the doors. Half the roof was gone off the barn, but that hurt nothin', for the night was clear. I was so afraid that the goat wouldn't do his work that I gave him nothin' to eat for twelve hours before he came on the stage, and the poor beast was fair famished. When I walked out on the stage, hand in hand wid the goat, I thought the awljence would go crazy. They yelled wid sheer delight when the goat made his bow, and every man in the barn was on his feet, and a hundred o' them had cabbage leaves and carrots in their pockets to give to the goat, like the ladies have bokays to give to the play actors. As the goat whirled around doin' a waltz he would stop now and then to pick a bit o' cabbage or turnip that some one threw on the stage. But 'twas what that rogue Reagan

whirled around widout touchin' the floor."

gan threw that the goat liked the best. They looked like little pieces o' bread covered wid sugar. The goat picked up so many o' the little chunks that the crowd yelled to put Reagan out because he was stoppin' the show, and I had hard work to get the goat dancin' ag'in. After that the goat seemed to get lighter and lighter upon his feet until he hardly touched the stage. There were times when he whirled around in the air widout touchin' the floor, and the crowd gaspin' wid astonishment at this wonderful beast. And while he whirled he seemed to be gettin' bigger and bigger till he was as round as a balloon the boys play wid. He would go up in the air, whirlin' like a pinwheel, for ten feet, and then light on the stage soft as a thistle-down, and fly up ag'in till he spun up farther and farther, lookin' like a red umbrella on a big punkin, and he was gone through the hole in the roof, translated intirely."

"And where did he go?" said the awe-struck Mrs. Cassidy in a whisper.

"Some o' the little boys sittin' on the fence outside said he went up in the direction o' Orion, and others said 'twas toward Arcturus and Niptune he went."

"And what was it that Reagan gave the goat?" said the materialistic Walsh, anxious for an explanation of the seeming miracle.

"'Twas yeast cakes that the rogue had covered wid sugar, and the goat ate fifteen o' them."

CHRISTMAS AT SANDRINGHAM

How the Royal Family of Great Britain Celebrates.

The royal family of Great Britain keeps up Christmas at Sandringham in a right royal and old-fashioned way.

Tasteful decorations with holly and mistletoe abound everywhere. Every one comes down to the dining room where breakfast is taken en famille.

Every one has presents for some one else. All the servants and tenants are remembered, so that there are many happy hearts on Christmas morning.

Substantial joints, geese and turkeys with other good things, have a delightful way of turning up at the very houses where they are most wanted.

After breakfast the royal family and guests and the ladies and gentlemen of the household go on a tour of inspection to view the decorations, and then, provided the weather is fine, they walk to church, which, of course, has been tastefully adorned in appropriate and approved Christmas fashion.

On the entry of the king and queen the congregation rises—that is the only formality observed. The king's domestic chaplain takes the service—a bright choral service, with Christmas hymns and an anthem.

Then comes luncheon—which is the children's dinner—attended by the king and queen and other members of the family. The Christmas pudding is brought in, blazing up merrily, to the intense delight of the little princes and princesses.

The late afternoon is the most exciting time for the Juniors. The doors of a certain room have been kept rigorously fastened since the previous evening, her majesty and other members of her family having duly dressed a large Christmas tree therein. The door is opened, and the whole party troops in, while the royal children evince the greatest delight at the Christmas tree ablaze with lights and weighed down with presents. Afterward all sorts of games are entered into with a heartiness and zest that must surely appeal to every one.

Dinner comes along at 8:45, to which all guests staying in the house and many of the household are invited by the king. The king and queen and guests assemble in the drawing room, first, and then a procession is formed, led, of course, by their majesties, who are followed in order of precedence by the others. The tables are laid in the grand salon. The guests are seated at small oval tables, the king and queen sitting opposite each other at one, and are waited on by special footmen.

Boar's head, baron of beef and plum pudding are the staple dishes of the royal Christmas dinner.

After dinner there may be a dance or a command performance in the state ballroom, the walls of which are decorated by gorgeous Indian trophies presented to his majesty when he visited that country.—Pictorial Magazine.

The Universal Desires.

She was superbly dressed in the pinnacle of fashion and would have been beautiful but for a certain stern, businesslike expression that rather marred the sweetness of her face.

First looking up and down, she darted swiftly into a narrow passageway and was soon knocking at a door emblazoned with the legend: "Signor Ole Margerino. Clairvoyant. Future Fore told."

The door opened.

"Where is the signor?" she nervously demanded.

"In bed, mmm."

"Horror! What's the matter with him?"

"Nervous prostration, brought on by overwork."

"Overwork?"

"Yes, mmm. Since September he's been busy peerin' into de future fer people wot wanted ter know de value uv Christmas presents dey wuz goin' to get so's they'd know how much ter spend on theirs."

Stifling a shriek of despair, she sped away on the hunt for some other clairvoyant.—New York Herald.

A Topsy Turvy Party.

A topsy turvy party is good fun at Christmas. Everything is done at this party "the other way around." For instance, a very small Christmas tree is fastened to the ceiling upside down.

On the floor a number of packages should be laid. In the packages you must be sure to have the topsy turvy scheme. In all those intended for the girls you should put only such things as boys like or use, and the older the guest the simpler should the toys be.

The next thing in this topsy turvy party after the distribution of the packages is to have some one enter the room dressed as Santa Claus with an empty basket on his back or in his hand, but instead of giving each person a present he must demand one from each person. Later on in the evening the guests play a game of forfeits, when they have a chance of getting back their gifts.

A Few Christmas Don'ts.

Don't fuss, don't hurry, don't worry, don't fret. Christmas has come and gone many times and will come and go again. Don't do one single thing, then, for at least two weeks that will jar you into forgetting that it was the birthday of peace and good will.—Philadelphia Record.

Christmas at the North Pole.

The candles burn on the Christmas tree; They burn with a ruddy flame, And the little Eskimo looks with glee Upon picture book and game.

He dances in ecstasies of delight, And he claps his hands for joy And then climbs into the branches bright, Where jingles the rosy toy.

Then with an expression of peace supreme And a twirl 'le of heartfelt fun The candles e plucks in a lotus dream And gobble them one by one.—R. K. Munkittrick in New York Herald.

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TOWN-LINE.

Miss Rachel Griffin was a visitor at the home of John Retherford Sunday.

Miss May Cooper, who has been sick for such a long time, is able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Price of Oxford visited at the home of John Retherford last Sunday.

Misses Nora and Maggie Moshier of Wilmot visited their sister, Mrs. J. Sole last Saturday.

Mrs. Cole returned home last Monday from Harper's hospital, Detroit, much improved in health.

Mrs. M. E. Randall, the tenth district president of the W. C. T. U. will speak in the Leek schoolhouse Friday evening, December 8. Everybody welcome.

The Leek W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. George Martin on Friday afternoon, December 8, at two o'clock. It is expected that the tenth district president, Mrs. Randall of Bay City, will be present at this meeting. All invited to attend.

NO SECRET ABOUT IT.

It is no secret that for Cuts, Burns, Ulcers, Fever Sores, Sore Eyes, Boils, etc., nothing is so effective as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. "It didn't take long to cure a bad sore I had, and it is all O. K. for sore eyes," writes D. L. Wood & Co's. drug store.

AKRON.

Too late for last week.

Rev. Davy and family have moved to Saginaw.

C. A. Genet and family are moving to Clio this week.

School closed Wednesday for a Thanksgiving recess.

W. H. Morse is the new station agent at the P. M. depot.

The infant child of Clarence Malory is very ill at this writing.

Rev. Huffman preached in the Presbyterian church last Sunday.

Mrs. Jessie Misner of Fairgrove visited with Mrs. Eliza Reid this week.

J. E. Evans has purchased the Genet property and will occupy it in the near future.

Prof. Case of Ohio will be in town and will give instructions in vocal music for one week beginning Dec. 8.

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grade will be completed up to the Quanicasee river this week.

W. J. Steadman of Pigeon, who is in the interest of the Sebawang Sugar factory, has moved into the house owned by Mr. Strieby.

Mrs. Mary Dart passed away at her home Tuesday morning at two o'clock after a prolonged illness. She leaves a husband and a large family to mourn her departure.

SHABONA.

Too late for last week.

W. F. Ehlers is erecting a new cattle shed.

A plowing bee was held Saturday for Sam'l Hyatt.

Arthur Meredith has purchased a fine span of colts.

Geo. H. Jones was a business caller at Sandusky Saturday.

Born, to Geo. Washburn and wife, on Nov. 15, a baby girl.

Sam'l Hyatt, who has been quite sick, is slightly improved.

T. W. Stitt and wife called on friends in Kingston last week.

Mrs. Geo. F. Smith and son, Grant, are visiting friends and relatives at Yale.

Emery Meredith went to Caro Wednesday where he has secured employment.

Mrs. Wm. Spencer still continues very low and little hope is given for her recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lorentzen spent Thanksgiving with the latter's parents at Argyle.

Blanche Travis is confined to her bed and is under the care of Dr. McNaughton of Argyle.

Married, on Wednesday, Nov. 22, John Philpot and Lena Krause. We extend congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Hall of Saginaw are the guest of the latter's son, Geo. W. Ferguson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Keyworth have taken up house keeping in their new residence opposite the postoffice.

Quite a number attended the concert given by the Little German Orchestra in the hall Saturday evening.

Mrs. Lidster, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Washburn, returned last week to her home at Beverton.

Jesse Bullock had the misfortune to lose his straw and clover stack Monday evening by fire. The clover buller belonging to Agar Bros. was also burned.

W. Winters and H. Vanorman ran into one another Monday evening in the dark. Mr. Winters was thrown from his buggy and cut about the head but fortunately no serious damage was done.

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FOR TOM'S SAKE

A Tree Which Bore Good Fruit

By OTHO B. SENGAL

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A MOST wonderful and gorgeous Christmas tree stood in the window of the great store of Warden & Joyce. All day a constantly changing throng of small admirers exclaimed at its magnificence and registered extravagant wishes before it.

Children richly clad and full of joyous anticipations, children in comfortable rags, who knew Christmas only by the sight of the happiness of others, stood side by side and gazed with longing eyes at the bewildering array of costly gifts and brilliant decorations.

A small girl of twelve or fourteen, with face unnaturally old and sharp, unsmiling eyes, critically examined the tree in silence. Up and down, from side to side, her keen gaze wandered.

"I bet it's empty at the back," she finally muttered.

Poor child! Her brief experience had already taught her the unreality and falsity of many glittering things. She stepped quickly into the vestibule where she could see that part of the tree away from the window. A sudden joy flashed into her face.

"It's true—that tree is true," she whispered eagerly. "The back is as good as the front."

She hesitated an instant and then raised her clasped hands beseechingly. "God," she cried, "send me a tree for Tommy!"

Her intense longing made her voice sharply imperative, and the first word struck harshly on the ear of a richly dressed young lady who was passing close to her.

"You mustn't swear, child!" she exclaimed hurriedly.

"I wasn't swearing," the girl answered calmly, without resentment. "I was praying for a tree for Tommy."

An elegant carriage waited at the curb, and as the young lady stepped to



MISS STANHOPE GAVE ONE LOOK AT THE TALL MAN.

the sidewalk the footman threw open the door. She stood for an instant, as if thinking, and then, turning quickly, she went back into the vestibule, where the child was still standing.

"Will you come with me a minute? Out of the crowd," she added hastily as the girl faced her with surprised eyes and an unchildlike, repelling look on her thin face.

"Will you step into the carriage? Please do. I want you to tell me something, and it is so very cold."

The girl seated herself on the luxurious cushions, the young lady followed, and the inwardly disgusted footman closed the door.

"Will you tell me your name and where you live?" the lady questioned gently.

The child regarded her earnestly. "Depends on who you are and what you want. You ain't a charity worker nor a slum visitor?"

The young lady smiled understandingly.

"My name is Margaret Stanhope, and I live on Commonwealth avenue. You—you spoke of Tommy."

The girl's face softened. "Yes; he's my brother. My name is Maggie Taylor, and I live on Burnham street." Adding with a return of her former manner, "but it ain't a slum street, and I don't want no charity."

Miss Stanhope smiled radiantly. "But I do, Maggie. I am so glad our names are the same. I need just what you do not—charity. Tell me something about Tommy." She lingered lovingly over the name. "Why did you pray for a tree for him?"

"Because he's sick. He's only twelve, and he works in an office, and his boss is away, and Tommy took sick after he'd gone. Tommy feels sure that if he was here he'd send his wages to him just the same, for he's a good boss and awfully kind to everybody, but the other man—his partner—is different."

"Maggie," said Miss Stanhope earnestly, "I wish you'd help me to have a happy Christmas. I am all alone in the world, without any one to care for me, and I want to do something for some one—for some one named Tommy, because—because six months ago I did a wrong and cruel thing to some one by that name. It would help make my Christmas happy if you would let me arrange a tree for your Tommy. Will you?"

The girl drew a long breath. "It ain't charity?" she asked doubtfully.

"Not to you nor to Tommy," answered

Miss Stanhope joyously, "but it will be to me."

"For Tommy's sake," murmured the girl assentingly.

"For Tom's sake," echoed Miss Stanhope tenderly.

The unbending footman was still more disgusted when he was directed to make another round of the stores, and his bearing was absolutely frigid when he was required to carry a most unbecoming load of bundles up the stairs to the little home on Burnham street. That the indignity of a good sized tree was laid upon him also required the concentration of all his thoughts upon the generous wages Miss Stanhope paid to enable him to endure the present situation.

"I keep house for father and Tommy," whispered Maggie, leading the way. "Tommy's in the kitchen. I left him there in the big chair 'cause it's warmer. We'll take all these things in here"—opening the door of a neat sitting room—"and when we get the tree fixed I'll push him in in the chair."

Surely never before was a tree so quickly made to blossom and bring forth fruit, and it was a "true" tree, with gifts on every side.

Maggie surveyed it with joyful pride, her thin face losing its careworn look and becoming almost childlike with the flush of happy excitement.

"Miss Stanhope," she whispered positively, "prayers are answered—I know it now."

Always, in the way he thinks best," answered Miss Stanhope earnestly, adding in her heart, "Lord, I believe—help thou mine unbelief!"

"I'll bring Tommy in now," Maggie said, and went softly out to the kitchen.

She returned almost immediately.

"His boss is there!" she exclaimed excitedly. "He got back yesterday. Ain't he awfully good to come so soon to see Tommy? Tommy looks better already! The boss 'll push him in."

They both turned toward the door as it was opened, and a big armchair with the sick boy in it was pushed carefully over the threshold.

Miss Stanhope gave one look at the tall man behind the chair and started forward.

"This is Tommy's boss," began Maggie, mindful of her duties as hostess, but the greeting of her two guests quite disconcerted her, for Tommy's boss caught the aristocratic Miss Stanhope in a close embrace, while Miss Stanhope cried penitently, "Oh, Tom, Tom, I have been so sorry, and I have wanted you so!"

The Origin of Santa Claus.

Santa Claus is of German origin. This is true if only because that is the German name for St. Nicholas. That he is an old man is because in the ancient pagan feasts in celebration of the decay of the old year and the birth of the new an old man played the principal part. Among the Greeks and Romans it was Saturn, the father of all the gods, and among the Norsemen it was Thor, who was long bearded and white haired. That the saint is St. Nicholas is due to the fact that that venerable personage's feast day was celebrated at about that period. St. Nicholas was a bishop of Myra, who flourished early in the fourth century. He is the patron saint of children and schoolboys, and hence it was natural that he should be a part of a celebration when the children received gifts—and when they were allowed to be "heard as well as seen."—New York Mail and Express.

Christmas in Rome.

A characteristic sight which precedes a Roman Christmas is the so called cotto, or sale of fish by auction, which is held at San Teodoro, near the forum, in the small hours of the morning, and every year attracts large crowds of buyers and sightseers. It is a sight worth seeing, the vast circular market literally packed with row upon row of baskets, in which the scaly fry are carefully arranged, the light glancing off their many colored scales in a thousand prismatic reflections, while the owner of each stall shouts at the top of his voice and the merry crowd goes round laughing and bargaining, and trying to cheapen the fish, for Christmas tide it often reaches fabulous prices, and one is reminded of the extravagance of the ancient Romans, one of whom is said to have paid 20,000 sesterces for a single gray mule.—London Mail.

A Recipe for Plum Pudding.

Crumble a pint of breadcrumbs from the center of a stale loaf and pour over them a cup of scalded milk; when cool add three-quarters of a cup of sugar, a teaspoonful of salt and the yolks of four eggs beaten together; chop a half pound of suet and thoroughly mix with it a half pound each of raisins, currants and almonds; add a teaspoonful each of cinnamon and nutmeg, a third of a teaspoonful each of cloves and mace and the whites of the four eggs stiffly beaten; serve with hard sauce.

Encouragement.

Jack (bitterly)—I suppose that young Richman who comes to see you so often will give you such an expensive Christmas gift that you won't want the trifling present I can afford to buy you?

Marie (coolly)—No. I think you had better save your money for—er—future contingencies, Jack.

Christmas Times in Dixie.

Oh, Chris'mus come ter de l... cotton—Bet you 'twon't be soon forgotten—Look away. Look away.

For de Chris'mus times in Dixie!

Don't keer ef de weather fair or murky—Big fat possum en a gobbilin' turkey—Look away. Look away.

For de Chris'mus times in Dixie!
—Frank Stanton in Atlanta Constitution.

A LONG, WILD RIDE.

Over Eight Hundred Miles on Horseback in Less Than Eleven Days.

When General Kearny was ordered from Santa Fe across to California with the dragoons, he was anxious to get his report back to Washington as soon as it could be done. The messenger who was detailed to carry this report to Fort Leavenworth relates in Outing the adventures of that rapid ride:

"I carried only a blanket, a lariat, knife, rifle, with about a hundred rounds of ammunition; a dragoon pistol and about two spoonfuls of salt. I depended on my rifle for meat and on finding Indian herds for fresh horses. I weighed about 140 pounds and was as tough as leather.

"I got my first remount about eighty miles from Santa Fe and rode it two days until I found a camp of Utes hunting buffalo and got a fresh horse from their herd in the night.

I had to be very careful about falling in with Indians, for they would have killed a lone man for his outfit. A half dozen times or more I hid in some draw in the prairie till night or rode miles off the trail to keep away from their hunting parties or camps. It was very risky, too, riding into their herds and roping a fresh horse.

"I didn't dare make a fire in the daytime, but at night could cook a little meat on coals, and the little I slept was while lying on my lariat, so that my horse couldn't get away with it out of my reach.

"When I reached Fort Leavenworth I had ridden 832 miles in a little less than eleven days and had used nine horses. The last two horses I got from government trains that I overtook."

THE HEIGHT OF WAVES.

It Is Never More Than Fifty Feet From Trough to Crest.

Owing to many causes the ocean is never still. The wind is one of the chief disturbers, for it gives rise to waves. The effect of an ordinary storm is not felt below a depth of fifty feet, and beneath 700 feet the water can only be disturbed by tides and undercurrents. When you read of "waves running mountains high" you may be sure the writer has never seen a mountain, but has a fine flow of words. The usual height of a wave in common storms seldom is more than twelve feet and in violent gales on the open sea never exceeds fifty feet from trough to crest and a length of about 800 feet. In the south Pacific waves forty-three feet in height have been measured, in the south Atlantic thirty-nine feet, in the bay of Biscay thirty-six feet, in the North sea and the Mediterranean thirteen feet. Of course nearer land when driven furiously against an obstacle, such as a lighthouse, waves often dash against the top of the lighthouse, such as the Bell Rock, 100 feet, and Unst, in the Shetlands, 200 feet. But in the deep sea, even in a howling tempest, they never run higher than fifty feet, which would be a very poor mountain. —New York Herald.

Names of Mount Ararat.

The Turks know Great Ararat, the resting place of the Biblical ark, as Aghri-Dagh, or "Mountain of the Ark." The Persians call it Koh-i-nuh, "Noah's mountain." The Amphikits call it the "Peak of God's Boatman" and whenever in sight of it perform a peculiar religious ceremony called "Lella Rhinoceri," or the "Brave Rhinoceros," because of a legend current among them that God cursed the beast and commanded Noah not to take him on the great craft with the other animals. To this treatment the rhinoceros objected, and when the ark began to float he hooked his horn over a railing at the water's edge and floated about with the Noahian vessel, an unwelcome parasite, during the forty days.

Recognized Himself.

"Now, children," said the teacher, "let us see what you remember about the animal kingdom and the domestic animals that belong to it. You have named all the domestic animals but one. Who can tell me what that one is? It has bristly hair, likes dirt and is fond of getting into the mud." Miss Fanny looked expectantly around the room. "Can't you think, Tommy?" she asked encouragingly.

"Yes'm," was the shamefaced reply. "It's me."—Christian Register.

An Indignant Bundle.

Lord Middleton, a very nearsighted nobleman, had an embarrassing experience some years ago. "Wait a moment," he said to a companion as they entered a railway carriage. "I'll just pop this bundle on to the rack." So saying he made a grab at an object occupying a corner seat and seized a large and elderly lady, who indignantly protested against being disturbed.

A Starter.

A correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette vouches for this incident: A young woman, with a fretful baby, in a full omnibus (aloud): "Poor little nipper, I suppose I shall end by 'aving to take 'im to the 'ospital.'" (Raising the child's veil and looking around for sympathy) "Don't get no rest. 'E is sufferin' so with smallpox."

Glazed Ham.

To glaze a cold ham first brush over the ham with beaten yolk of egg. Then cover this very thickly with finely powdered breadcrumbs, pressed on firmly. Lastly brush over the whole with thick cream and set in a quick oven. This glazing should be brown and will be like a delicious crust.

Do not talk about disgrace from a thing being known when the disgrace is that the thing should exist.—Falco-ner.

FAST TRAINS.

They Run Through Track Obstructions Better Than Slow Ones.

On the straight stretches of the line the fast train because of its higher velocity is likely to be thrown from the track by some obstruction than the slow train. The writer was once on an engine that was thundering down grade through the Bad Lands of Dakota with a ten car train behind it at a speed of over sixty miles an hour when the engine struck and swept through a band of wild horses that dashed out of a neighboring canyon across the track just as the train was upon them. The engine and train kept the rails unharmed. At another time he was on an engine that was crawling slowly up grade when a small band of sheep crossing the tracks proved enough to derail the engine.

It takes but a very small force to deflect a billiard ball that is rolling slowly across a billiard table, but if that same ball were moving at the rate of 100 feet a second (a frequent speed for these fast expresses) it could only be deflected by the exercise of considerable force. It is the instinctive recognition of this fact that has led some engineers when they have seen that they must hit a comparatively light obstruction to increase rather than decrease the speed of the train.—Exchange.

CHOP SUEY.

A Recipe for Making This Famous Chinese Dish.

For chop suey scrape the meat from the bones of a small chicken and cut it into strips a half inch in length. Peel an onion and slice it very thin. Soak eight or ten dried mushrooms in cold water for ten minutes, then drain. Cut a stalk of celery into half inch bits. Cut six Chinese potatoes into slices after washing them thoroughly. Cook a cup of rice in an abundance of boiling water without stirring, then drain and have so dry that each grain stands separate.

Put a great spoonful of butter in a frying pan and cook the chicken in this, turning it often. When done through, but not dry or crisp, add the sliced onion and cook for five minutes more. Now add the mushrooms and a small cupful of Chinese sauce. The sauce takes the place of salt. Add a cup of boiling water and stew for fifteen minutes. Stir in the celery and cook for ten minutes, then add the potatoes and cook for two or three minutes. Thicken with a little flour rubbed smooth in a gill of water, boil up once hard and serve with the rice, which must have been kept hot.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

PAUL JONES' IDEALS.

What, Besides a Mariner, a Naval Officer Should Be.

To the people of the country at large Paul Jones unquestionably will forever be a popular figure among the national heroes, but to the officers of the navy he is much more than the first and perhaps most dashing member of their beloved service. He is not only the man who said, "I have not yet begun to fight," but he is the one who most thoroughly understood the requirements of the naval profession and the one who placed its ideals so high that it will be a perpetual incentive to ambition to attain them.

Upon his tomb should be inscribed the paragraph from his letter that epitomizes the requirements of the service which he adorned and that should stimulate every midshipman to adopt his standards. He said:

"It is by no means enough that an officer of the navy should be a capable mariner. He must be that, of course, but also a great deal more. He should be as well a gentleman of liberal education, refined manners, punctilious courtesy and the nicest sense of personal honor."—Navy League Journal.

Long Lived Ancients.

In ancient days people seemed to have lived longer than in modern times. When the census during the reign of Vespasian, the Roman emperor, was taken several persons were living who were more than 100 years old, among them being two in Parma, each 125 years; one in Braxillum, 125; one in Piacenza, 130; a woman in Faventia, 135; L. Terentius, in Bologna, 140; MM. Apponius and Tertulia, the former being 140 and the latter 137, and at Velejacium, near Piacentia, six persons who were 110, four 120 and one who was 140.

The Color Springs.

An Eskimo baby is born fair, except for a dark round spot on the small of the back varying in size from a three-penny bit to a shilling. From this center head of color the dark tint gradually spreads till the toddling Eskimo is as beautifully and as completely and as highly colored as a well smoked meerschaum pipe. The same thing happens among the Japanese.

What Truth Is.

Truth is the grand motor power which, like a giant engine, has rolled the car of civilization out from the maze of antiquity, where it now waits to be freighted with the precious fruits of living genius.—Seeker.

Took His Advice.

"He told his wife she ought to take cooking lessons."

"Did she?"

"Well, yes. She sent for her mother to come and give her a three months' course."

A Bright Youth.

She (archly)—Whom should you call the prettiest girl in the room?

He (looking about him)—H'm! Well, to tell the truth, there isn't a pretty girl in the place.

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ROYAL FOLK
WHO PLAY
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ONE of the numerous advantages enjoyed by royal personages, an advantage, too, which has not been greatly exploited, is the power to give to any object dispensed as a Christmas gift, no matter how trivial it may be, a distinct and abiding value. It is related of one of the medieval pontiffs that on a certain occasion he was so grateful for a service rendered him by a young prince of the Borgia family that he begged him to name some suitable reward.

"Come, my child," he suggested insinuatingly. "Tell me what I can do to please you. Don't be afraid to put my liberality to a test. It's the blessed Christmas season, you know."

His youthful highness sighed deeply, but did not seem able to find the words to frame his request.

"Courage, my friend," persisted his holiness. "I am in the mood for giving. Ask confidently, and I should advise you to ask something more substantial than my blessing."

The young Borgia realized that the opportunity was golden. At that time the temporal power of the Roman pontiff was so great that kingdoms were at his disposal. The prince knew all that, but it did not tempt him.

"Your holiness," he faltered, prostrating himself, "I beg you to give me a lock of your hair."

At this unexpected request the pope was both startled and touched. It seemed incredible that a Borgia could be satisfied with such a sentimental request, and yet the young fellow seemed to be in earnest.

"Why do you select such a worthless thing?" his holiness demanded.

"Oh, do not refuse me!" the prince expostulated. "Think of its value as a relic after your holiness is canonized!"

The pontiff smiled grimly. Then he put his right hand upon his head and sighed long and rather mournfully. He had some hair remaining, but scarcely enough to serve as a relic.

"As you will," he groaned, "but I had rather you had asked me for the kingdom of the Two Sicilies."

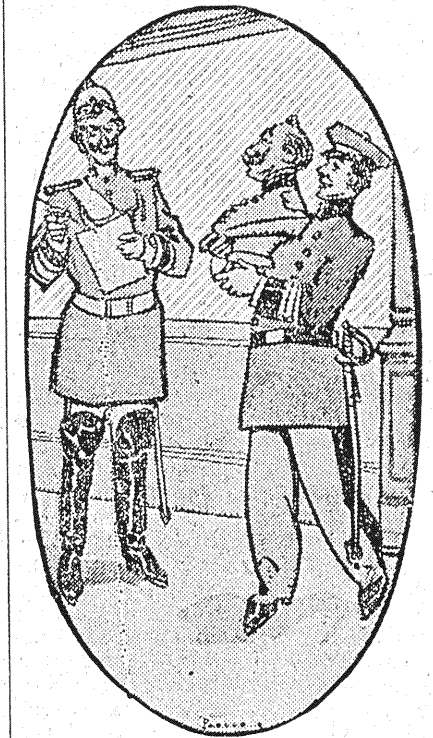
Some of the Christmas presents exchanged by latter day royalty are almost absurd in their practicality. For many years the gentle and well beloved Pius IX. was in the habit of exchanging Christmas gifts with the equally amiable Victoria of England.

The pope invariably sent a package of specially prepared and exquisitely scented snuff, with an autograph letter extolling its virtues as a remedy for catarrh and kindred disorders. This standard gift was sometimes accompanied by a few jars of wine made from fruit taken from a particular vine

genious mechanical toys "made in Germany." The president of the French republic, not to be outdone in Christmas civility, gives presents of costly Sevres and Limoges wares to the reigning queens of Europe. In return he is often decorated with the ribbon of some coveted order. The president of the Swiss confederation is more practical in his holiday generosity. Last Christmas he sent to Queen Alexandra a choice selection of cheeses.

As a systematic dispenser of Christmas cheer it is probable that the German emperor heads the list of royal givers. With his customary orderliness and attention to detail he begins to plan his beneficent campaign long before the dawn of the holiday season. On a slip of paper which he keeps concealed in a private cabinet he notes down in his neat uncial script as they occur to him the names of the various persons whom he intends to remember and the amount he expects to expend on each of them.

One of his standard gifts is his own royal portrait. Last Christmas he varied the usual custom by presenting his prospective daughter-in-law, the Duchess Cecilia, with a marble bust of himself. There is absolutely no excuse whatever for any collection in the



THE KAISER SENT A BUST OF HIMSELF.

world, public or private, which has neglected to provide itself with a portrait of the German kaiser. It may be had for the asking, and a hint is sufficient. The kaiserin is a liberal and thoughtful Christmas benefactress. She makes it a point to give something of value to every child of royal lineage in Christendom, and that means much labor and discrimination. The children of royal lineage in the German empire alone are quite numerous enough to absorb a fortune, and it is reputed that the generous royal lady spends \$50,000 every year in this admirable way.

The present sultan of Turkey, with all his traditional hatred of the ghouls, has fallen into the habit of sending Christmas gifts to some of the Christian courts. These remembrances consist for the most part of jars of preserved rose leaves and Levantine sweetmeats prepared by his own confectioner. The aged emperor of Austria sends a liberal gift of priceless Tokay to his fellow sovereigns. The domestic old queen of Denmark, the "mother-in-law of Europe," who is an inveterate knitter of woolen stockings, dispenses her yearly accumulation at Christmastide. The genial king of the Belgians sends nothing but checks, and it is whispered that his bank account is considerably reduced at the holiday season. Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, who is as prudent as she is thrifty, gives decorations and confers orders. This was also the economical Christmas practice adopted by Queen Victoria. The king of Spain sends presents only to his relatives, and the royal family of Portugal, rich as it is, is not much addicted to the gift habit. The queen sends a generous check to the Vatican and the king distributes a few decorations.

Fourth of July Christmases.

In other days the Catholic and Episcopal churches celebrated Christmas much as Americans now observe the glorious Fourth. Roman candles, skyrockets, firecrackers and a general rejoicing and noisy hilarity marked the day sacred to the birth of the Prince of Peace. The idea was that the occasion was a joyful one and men should vociferously attest their happiness. Echoes of these old celebrations are still heard in portions of the south which were settled by the cavaliers. Under the reformation, however, and especially under Puritanism, this form of observing Christmas was done away with. In the early days of New England Christmas was scarcely observed at all, and it is only in comparatively recent years that the present custom of giving and feasting was revived in sections where the Puritan had held sway.

Tragic Christmas Days.
Christmas, which is usually regarded as the happiest day of all the year, has frequently witnessed tragic events. Diocletian began one of his persecutions of the Christmas in 303 when on Christmas day he burned a church full of the followers of the Nazarene. William the Conqueror is said to have slaughtered 100,000 men, women and children on Christmas day in the year 1068.

In 1170 Thomas a Becket preached a Christmas day sermon that caused his death four days later.

John Wyclif, the great reformer, died on Christmas day, 1384.

In 1663 Christmas day in London saw the great plague at its height. One thousand people were dying daily.

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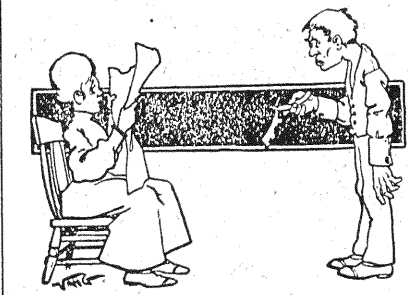
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PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Two and two make four unless they are dudes. They hardly make one.

Lovers should not wear celluloid collars. The fires of love may ignite them.

In talking calamity you don't find the man with a full coal bin a very attentive listener.



Many a happy home has been blighted by the discovery on the part of the wife that a razor will cut corns.

There might be some hope for the success of a perpetual motion machine modeled on the tongue of a gossip.

Beauty is a matter of opinion or else a matter of money.

The man behind the check book doesn't always say just exactly what he thinks of Christmas.

There is but one cure for love sickness, but it never fails.

It certainly takes a strongminded man to try kindness on a balky horse.

The Christmas Present.

Speaking of nightmares, Where's One that can hold a candle To the Christmas present problem. To handle.

That requires a great amount Of tact as well as a bank account That will not call a halt On any kind of assault.

It is enough to give a man paresis, When he counts up his nephews and nieces And starts out to buy presents for the whole lot.

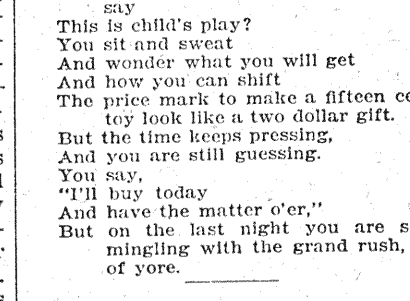
How the plot Thickens! Then his pace quickens. He takes one look at the holiday goods, And he feels like breaking for the woods.

But he sees a few Things that will do At a pinch, "It's a cinch!" And he says, "I've a hunch!"

But, when he finds he has parted With all his money and is hardly started, To see him tear His hair Is really pathetic. Energetic Men who start out on this task Are ready to ask Quarter before night.

"The job may delight The heart of a millionaire, But where Would you find another man ready to say This is child's play? You sit and sweat And wonder what you will get And how you can shift The price mark to make a fifteen cent toy look like a two dollar gift. But the time keeps pressing, And you are still guessing. You say, "I'll buy today And have the matter over." But on the last night you are still mingling with the grand rush, as of yore.

One Better.



"My father owns an orange grove in Florida."

"Pshaw! My father has a grove of Christmas trees in Michigan!"

The Modern Way.

What has become of the old fashioned girl who used to sit up nights to work slippers and bookmarks as Christmas presents for the loved ones?

She has certainly been broken of the habit, for you never see her at it any more. The modern way is for the daughter of the family to tap poor overtopped papa for a small roll to purchase useless but expensive trifles for those who will reciprocate in the same kind of trinkets.

When man calls out in a hopeless voice for a return of the good old times that is one of the things he is thinking about. While he is proud of his family he would give anything for a line of daughters who could sit down with needle and thread and take the pressure off his pocketbook at a time when money is being pulled out of it from all directions.

Fell Down.

The leaf that I turned over About a year ago Is something of a sight to see. Its color, between you and me, Is very much like crow.

Timely.

"I am sending him 'How to Avoid Sunstrokes' for a present."

"But it is winter now."

"That is the time when it can be best practiced."

Might Help Along.

"She cleats so at cards you wouldn't care to play with her."

"Not unless I could have her for a partner."

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"TELL ME WHAT I CAN DO TO PLEASE YOU."

In the Vatican garden. It is not impossible that her majesty may have made a personal trial of the pope's remedy, but it is certain that she did not acquire the habit. That she appreciated the attention was made evident from the fact that sundry jars of a marmalade devised in the royal kitchen at Windsor found their way at Christmas time to the Vatican.

Some of this delectable confection made a holiday appearance in other European courts. The queen's German grandchildren were fond of it, and their royal grandmother saw to it that a goodly supply of the delicacy and its attendant supplement of a particular seed cake of her majesty's own composition reached Potsdam in time for the Christmas dinner. One of the queen's grandsons by marriage, the czar, used to send her the most beautiful malachite and jade vases ever seen in England, and in return he received invariably a six dozen case of very old and mellow Scotch whisky from a particular highland distillery, long patronized by the British royal family. There is no record to prove that Nicholas found the Scottish beverage more satisfying than his native vodka, but it is a fact that he kept on sending the precious vases as long as his thoughtful grandmother lived.

The kaiser's established Christmas remembrance to the elders of the English court is a case of Johanniberg, which is almost as unattainable as the elixir of life. For the youngsters "Uncle William" sends tons of the in-