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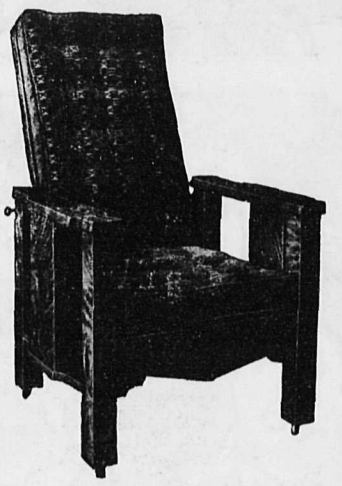

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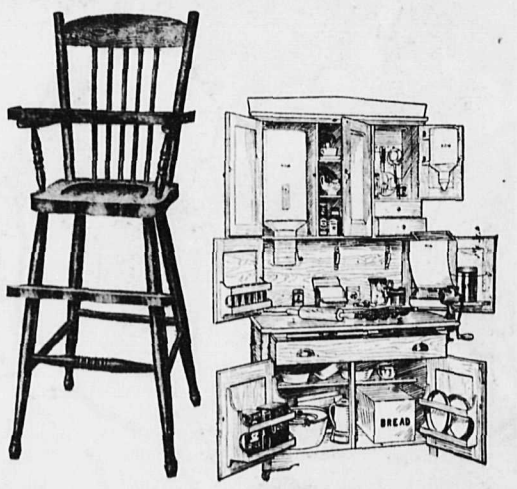

Child's High Chairs, $1.00

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Kitchen Tables, 4ft, with Drawer **$2.80**
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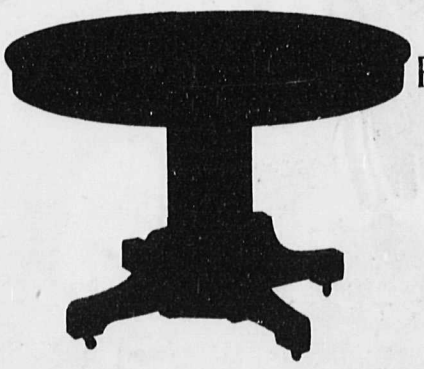

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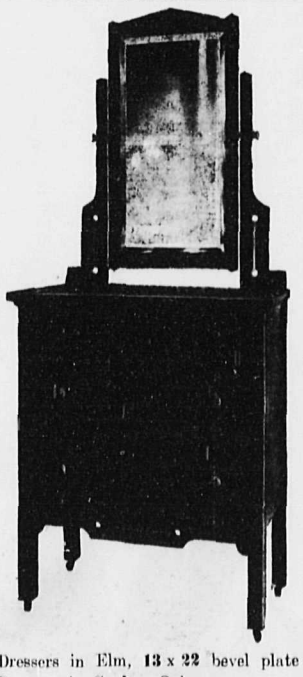

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Council Asked to Stand For Another Term

PETITION FROM BUSINESS MEN AND RATEPAYERS WANTS THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN TO REMAIN IN OFFICE

The city council is now approaching the end of its term of office and the business of the regular Friday morning meeting is confined chiefly to routine matters and the winding up of the affairs of the year.

At the last week's meeting a deputation consisting of Messrs. D. Leckie, D. Lloyd-Jones and P. DuMoulin attended with a petition, addressed to Mayor Jones and Aldermen Sutherland, Copeland, Taylor, Cosens, Thompson and Calder, constituting the present council asking them to accept nomination for 1914, and pledging the support of the signatories, who included some 53 business men and ratepayers.

In presenting the petition, Mr. Leckie said it was the general feeling around the city that the present council had been managing the affairs of the city very well during a difficult financial period and that any change now might be detrimental to the interests of the city. The matter of a council for next year had been discussed by some of business men, and if any of the present council were unwilling to stand for another term they would like to know at once, so as to have time to look around for some one to take their places. During the past year the council had begun some large undertakings, and it was felt that it would be unwise to interfere with them at the present stage.

Mr. DuMoulin said that he believed the citizens fully appreciated the great sacrifice the council were making, in giving up so much of their time to city work, and they did not want them to make up their minds in too much of a hurry. Things were at present at a crucial point financially. A great deal of money had been spent on the sewerage and water systems and more would have to be spent, and he thought that those who had brought these undertakings to their present stage should be the ones to carry them through.

Mr. D. Lloyd-Jones also spoke in support of the petition.

Mayor Jones in reply to the deputation said no doubt the members of the council fully appreciated the good intentions of the petitioners in asking them to serve for another term. There was no doubt that the city was at a stage more or less critical unless their debenture issues could be sold. There was a great amount of responsibility and worry attached to municipal work just now, and the members of the council would no doubt gladly hand over their duties to someone else. He would like, however to see all the members remain at their posts if possible.

Some of the aldermen, however could not see their way to fall in with the suggestion. Alderman Sutherland expressed a wish to retire and Aldermen Calder and Copeland, were firm in their determination not to stand. The matter however was left to be discussed later.

Mrs. H. H. Millie appeared on behalf of the Benevolent Society to ask that the remaining half of $200 granted by the council some time ago be paid over to the society, as they were in need of funds to carry on their work this winter. Mrs. Millie gave an account of the way in which the first $100 had been spent in relieving many cases of real distress, with the approaching winter there were fresh calls upon them, and she did not think any society could spend the money or make it go as far as the Benevolent society.

The clerk was authorized to pay over the money at once.

Mr. R. Duncan, lessee of the Opera House applied for a reduced rate on supply of electricity. He was, he said the largest user of electricity in the city, his monthly bills averaging over $100. He felt he was entitled to a better rate than the small consumer.

In discussing the matter with the council, it was stated that Mr. Duncan was entitled to a power rate on his electric sign and moving picture machine. Mr. Duncan however pointed out that to take advantage of this would entail considerable expense for extra wiring, and he thought in view of the large amount of his bills he should be given a lower rate on his whole consumption. The request was referred to the Light and Water Committee.

Mr. F. R. E. DeHart waited on the council in reference to the license for irrigation water in the city. The council repeated their decision of the previous week to take all steps to secure the licence and so preserve the record if the users would pay all necessary fees. Mr. DeHart asked the council to leave the matter open for a week in order that he might prepare a petition from the users.

C.N.R. Taxes.

The city council of Armstrong asked for the city's support by endorsing the following resolution dealing with the C.N.R. taxes:

"Whereas the government of British Columbia by an act of the legislature provided for the building of a branch line of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway from Kamloops to Kelowna and for the time when the same shall be completed.

And whereas the government did also grant the said Railway Company exemption from taxation of any kind for a period of fifteen years,

And whereas the said Railway Company have bought up large tracts of land within the limits of the city of Armstrong and until such branch railway is completed they are unable to determine which lands are required for railway purposes, and consequently the whole of the lands bought are exempted from taxation, thereby working a hardship on the city through loss of revenue, and

Whereas the said Railway Company are renting a large percentage of such lands for vegetable growing, thereby getting an immediate return for money so invested.

Be it therefore resolved that we, the Mayor and Council of the city of Armstrong in open meeting assembled humbly petition the government that before granting any extension of time for completion of the said branch line that the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway company be only exempt from taxation for the Right-of-way of the said railway and not for any other lands which they may own adjacent to the said line of railway.

That a copy of this resolution be sent to Hon. Sir. Richard McBride, Premier, and the Hon. Price Ellison, Minister of Finance."

The resolution was referred to the city solicitor for report before endorsing it.

The residents of Patterson avenue submitted a petition for street lights which was referred to the Light Committee.

Alderman Taylor mentioned that a lot holder on Mill Creek had been filling up the stream by dumping in soil to extend his banks and it was feared this might lead to floods when high water came in the spring. It was left to the police to see that the obstruction was removed.

Bylaws 144, 145 and 146 dealing with sewer construction were finally passed and Bylaw 147 introduced to consolidate the three so as to make one issue of debentures.

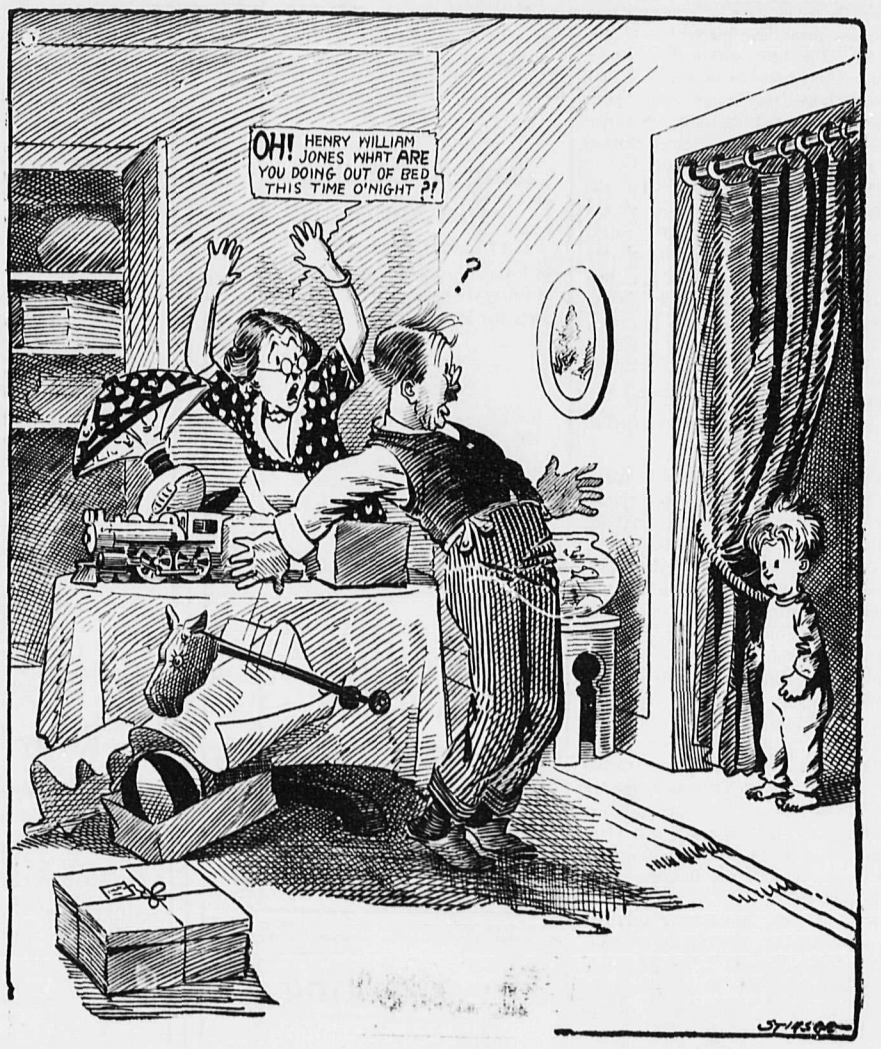
A discussion respecting the difficulty of collecting the dog tax brought the meeting to a close.

The Finance Committee recommended payment of the following accounts:—

K. Kakano, refund road tax	82.05
E. Lawley, refund road tax	2.00
Dominion Express Co.	1.75
Owen Gregg, street work	51.00
A. R. Davy, street work	72.00
George McPhee, street work	18.00
W. H. Paisley, street work	54.00
K. Maclaren, street work	6.50
J. Wilkie, street work	4.50
W. R. Glenn & Son, teaming	19.50
H. B. Burtch, street work	24.00
Ennis & McDonnell, street work	24.00
W. A. Gibson, street work	12.00
F. Swainson, street work	100.00
H. F. Rees, half cost of fence between his and the city's property	11.00
K. Schmidt, pole line work	6.00
Pole line extension pay roll to December 3rd	27.99
Canavan & Mitchell, work on map of water system and supplying data for filing with Comptroller of water rights	100.00
Canavan & Mitchell, supervision work	35.45

MANOGOFF

The Armenian Heavyweight wrestler, who will attempt to throw Robert Sutherland and Clarence Eklund in one hour at the Opera House Tuesday next



CAUGHT IN THE ACT!

OBITUARY

DEATH OF FRED LEWIS, AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

The funeral took place Monday afternoon last of Fred E. Lewis, late manager of the Elite Barber Shop, who died Saturday last, after an illness of less than two weeks. The funeral was carried out under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias and the Order of Moose, both of which lodges deceased was a prominent member. The funeral service was held in the Presbyterian church by the Rev. A. Dunn, the large concourse of friends gnd sympathisers attesting to the wide popularity of the deceased. The procession which followed the remains to the cemetery was a long one, and included over 125 members of the two lodges. The numerous floral tributes included wreaths from the Knights of Pythias, the Moose Lodge, and from the staff of the barber shop. Mr. Lewis was born in Delibery, Minn., thirty-one years ago, but has been resident of Kelowna for the past few years. A pathetic circumstance connected with his death is the fact that he was married only four months ago.

NO EXTENSIONS ASKED FOR

"No companies now building railway lines in this province under agreements with the government have yet asked for a day's extension of time," declared Sir Richard McBride the other day. "We have no reason to expect either that any company will approach us for an extension. The agreements and policies of the government covering railway matters are being carried out practically to the letter. I may say that it is the intention of the executive to close up all the points affecting railway matters by the end of the year."

After an unbroken record of forty years as a dividend payer, the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway company has been forced to suspend further disbursements on its $167,000,000 of stock.

Hockey Boys' Concert Draws Big Crowd

ARMENIAN WRESTLER ISSUES A CHALLENGE TO LOCAL WRESTLERS

The entertainment organized by the local hockey players for the purpose of raising funds for expenses incident to the game daring the coming season proved a great success financially and otherwise, and the boys will now have at least, means of making a start as soon as the weather clerk realizes that it is winter.

The "star turn" of the concert was an exhibition wrestling match between Bob Sutherland and Clarence Eklund, but as time was limited to fifteen minutes, and neither of the contestants secured a fall or even got into a tight place, the event furnished little excitement.

An exhibition of gymnastic work on the parallel bars was given by Messrs. Pavle and Bouvette, and a boxing bout of three rounds, between E. Hoy and Fred Roe, the latter also, along with Petrie gave an amusing exhibition of blindfold boxing.

The Mimori brothers, two local Japs, gave an exhibition of their vigorous national sword play, and Mr. Frank Davis an excellent rendering of the "Sailors' Hornpipe."

The musical items included Scotch songs by Mr. Geo. S. McKenzie, who was as usual loudly encored and songs by Mr. Bert Johnson and Mr. Paul Pitner. The "Whang Doodle Band" and the "Fuzzy-Wuzzy Quartet" and the Fuller Quartette contributed weird strains at intervals.

Some little sensation was caused during the evening by the appearance of "Manogoff," an Armenian wrestler, who recently arrived in town, and who challenged both Sutherland and Eklund to a match in which he offered to throw the two inside of one hour. The challenge was accepted, the match to take place on Tuesday next. Particulars will be found in another column.

Rutland News

(From our own Correspondent.)

Mr. and Mrs. W. Schel, and daughter returned last Friday from Saskatchewan. Their many friends hope that their fine orchard will prove too attractive to leave in the future.

Rev. Mr. Vernier, of Ellison conducted the service last Sunday evening at the Methodist church.

Mr. Nicol and Mr. Geo. Schell left on Tuesday morning for a visit to their friends south and east, they intend travelling in company as far as Chicago.

Mrs. Frank Bird and daughter are visiting Mrs. Dan McDonald.

The Children of the Methodist Sunday School will give their Xmas entertainment next Tuesday evening the 23rd inst. Unfortunately the new school has not yet been handed over to the trustees, consequently is not available on that date. The entertainment will be held in the church. The children have been practising for some time, and everybody who attends will be delighted with the program.

Mr. D. Wrigglesworth returned to the city last Saturday after spending the past month on the prairies at Calgary and Edmonton.

Presentation to Former Exchange Manager

DIRECTORS OF OLD COMPANY HONOR MR. B. McDONALD

Mr. B. McDonald, formerly manager of the now extinct Kelowna Farmers-Exchange, was made the subject of an interesting presentation last Thursday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms Those present included many of the former directors and members of the exchange. The following address was read by Mr. W. A. Scott, at the conclusion of which a copy, handsomely engrossed was handed to Mr. McDonald accompanied by a purse of gold, subscribed by the old members and friends.

The following was the text of the address presented:-

Byron McDonald, Esq.

The winding up of the Kelowna Farmers' Exchange with which you have been connected practically since its inception, in order to make way for the larger government supported organization marks the closing of a chapter in the history of the Fruit and Produce industry of the Kelowna district.

We, the directors of the Farmers' Exchange who have been associated with you for many years in conjunction with a number of our shareholders and growers, many of whom you will recognize as being among the largest shippers of fruit and produce through the exchange, wish to take this opportunity of expressing to you our appreciation of your able management and ask you to accept this small token of good-will; and we also wish to extend our appreciation to Mrs. McDonald who is no less deserving of our good-will for her assistance by her self sacrifice that must of necessity have fallen to her lot through the long hours of service you have willingly devoted to our business during the busy season, and by your absence from home through travelling you have found it necessary to do in the marketing of our products.

Your business associated and friends extend to you every good wish for health, to yourself, Mrs. McDonald and family."

Mr. McDonald, in replying said he was taken completely by surprise, and could only briefly acknowledge the kindness which had prompted the presentation.

Mr. McDonald leaves this week for Vancouver, where he will spend the winter, returning to Kelowna in the spring.

ENLARGING LEGISLATIVE BUILDING

Plans have now been completed for the construction of the proposed new printing office and the new museum addition in connection with the legislative buildings at Victoria. The new museum addition is to run along the Government street side of the parliament block from the present museum wing, almost back to Superior street. It will cover the new $100,000 heating plant, which is within sight of completion on Government street behind the present museum wing. The new museum addition, according to the plans, will cost not less than $1,000,000, and will have room for many more government offices.

Martin J. Sutton, head of the famous seed firm of Reading, underwent an operation in London this week and died under the anaesthetic. He was 63 years of age.

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Merry Christmas

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All changes in contract advertisements must be in the hands of the printer by Tuesday evening to ensure publication in the next issue.

Some Proposed Changes in Municipal Law

Chief among the many proposals of the special committee of the Victoria Board of Trade to draw up suggestions for the proposed municipal bill to be introduced at the coming session of the provincial legislature is the declaration of the committee's opinion that the powers of the Provincial Government in connection with municipalities throughout the province can be best administered by a department under the control of a permanent commissioner, who shall be free from political influence. Several other clauses in the report refer to powers which might be given this commissioner.

Much of the report deals with safeguarding the public and all parties concerned in the matter af loans for local improvements and other public works. It urges that every municipality shall be required annually to prepare a financial statement in such form as may be prescribed by the Provincial Government, and proposes *further that there sgall be an annual* government inspection of all municipal accounts, and a report prepared thereon, a copy published in the local newspaper and a copy sent to the Provincial Government, A proposal for a statement of the bonds issued showing the smount of sinking funds on hand and how they are invested shall also be prepared each year and sent to the government, is included in this portion of the report.

An important suggestion regarding the investment of sinking funds is contained in the clause which proposes that sinking funds may be invested in the bonds of the issue to which they are attached at a price not exceeding the par value of the bonds, subject to the consent of the government.

On Public Works

The first three clauses in the report deal with public works. One proposes that before the municipality is permitted to begin construction all arrangements shall have been made for the permanent loan to cover the cost of the work. Another suggests that no loans shall be authorized either in the first instance or by consolidation of issues for a longer term than the life of the public work covered, as shown in the engineer's certificate, That the right of the property owners to petition against local improvement be made absolute instead of conditional, as at present, is strongly urged.

The committee also suggests that no loan shall be contracted without the government's certificate that the law has been complied with. Other clauses dealing with these loans are for the most part mere amplification of the present act.

That instead of publishing the whole of the authorization bylaw, as at present, the municipal councils shall publish in the newspapers a concise *statement of certain prescribed* essential facts in connection with bylaws to make a loan, is another important suggestion of the committee, which also asks that these facts shall be sent in circular form to every ratepayer. In case of loans for a period longer than ten years, the committee proposes that the government hold an enquiry, if requested by one-tenth of the number of the ratepayers affected or one-tenth of the property valuations, and that the enquiry cover the benefit to be derived from the work, the cost, and whether the municipality is in a position to undertake the financial obligations. The report should be published and, if favorable, the bylaw be submitted to the ratepayers; if unfavorable, no bylaw be submitted unless a resolution be carried by three-quarters of the members of the council.

Town-planning Laws

Town-planning legislation is discussed in the latter part of the report which recommends that the municipalities shall be given power to approve of and make compulsory schemes for governing the development of defined areas within the municipality. Such schemes, the committee suggests, may be approved upon the application of a majority of not less than three-quarters of the owners of property within the areas to which the scheme is to apply. That these schemes may regulate the position of roads and sidewalks, character and value of buildings, preservation of trees, etc., is also proposed.

The conduct of an enquiry by the commissioner at the instance of the government into the objections raised at any time by 25 per cent., of the owners of property affected by any building bylaw is also suggested in the report.

OFFICIALS OF AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT OPTIMISTIC

Officials of the agricultural department *believe that eventually a lucra*tive business with the farmers' associations on the prairies may be worked up by the fruit growers of this province, particularly in the sale of apples. It is said that during the past season Ontario apple growers sold over 30,000 barrels of apples to farmers' associations on the prairies. No British Columbia apples were disposed of to these associations, being confined principally to the cities and towns and sold in boxes. It is believed that within the next year of two the fruit growers of this province will make an effort however, to get into touch with the farmers' mutual benefit organizations and compete with the Ontario apple orchards.

It is also the intention of the fruit growers here to take up the question of sending soft fruits to the prairies in express carload lots with special rates from the express companies, such as are now enjoyed by large shippers in Ontario. British Columbia growers at present ship fruit only by express packages or by freight in special fruit cars.

WINTER LECTURES FOR FARMERS

Plans for the formation of winter classes in connection with the farmers' institutes throughout the province are now being considered by Livestock Commissioner, W. T. McDonald and Provincial Horticulturalist, R. M. Winslow.

It is planned to have lecturers go through the fruit and general farming districts of the province during the winter months addressing the members of the institutes on subjects of interest to farmers. They will deal with orchard work, dairy farming, poultry raising, mixed farming, and The growing of grain, roots, vegetables and fodder crops. A good deal of work along this line is done each year by the agricultural department, *but it is hoped to extend considerably* the sphere of educational endeavor of this nature between now and next spring. Most of the lecturing is to be *done by the departmental experts* stationed at Victoria.

C.P.R. SEASON'S TELEGRAPH CONSTRUCTION

Nearly 6,000 miles of wire and new lines have been constructed by the C. P.R. telegraph department this season, according to figures given out this week by J. McMillan, general superintendent of western lines. These make up a total of 3,402 miles of copper wire, 1,420 miles of iron wire, 689 miles of railway equipment with train telephone dispatching circuits, 175 miles of telegraph wire along the railway and the ?xtension work still in progress will represent a total of 5,821 miles of wire

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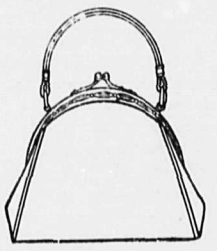

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Asiatic Question Subject of Interesting Debate

"Resolved that the exclusion of Orientals from British Columbia would be beneficial to the province," was the subject of a successful debate at the Baptist Young People's Society on Monday evening last. The subject is one that is becoming acute in the province, and an interested crowd assembled to hear both sides of the question. Rev. D. J. Welsh presided over the gathering, and acted with Mr. J. B. Knowles, as judge of the debate. Messrs Blackaby and Harding were entrusted with the task of proving the affirmative, while Messrs. Pedlar and Wade defended the Orientals.

Mr. Blackaby, as leader of the affirmative side, was the first speaker. He took exclusion to mean the total exclusion, the stoppage at once of any further immigration of Orientals and further, the expulsion of those already here and he asked that they be excluded upon the following grounds: (1) Racial, Moral and Religious, and (2) Social and Industrial. He thought he could say without fear of contradiction that the Chinese as a race are steeped in the deepest depths of superstition and idolatry. In order, therefore, to adapt the Chinaman to our institutions we should be obliged to begin by eradicating his religion,l anguage, superstitions, traditions, ideals and customs, all of which had been so welded to his mind after 4,000 years of inheritance as to become almost part of himself. This wide difference between the Chinese and the rest of our Canadian population made difficult, if not quite impossible, the appreciation by the Chinese of our religion, social, political and national ideals and the assimilation of the Oriental into our national body. One-ninth of the whole population of British Columbia was Oriental and he contended that it would be ruinous for a young and growing nation at a time when every newcomer should be throwing himself, wholehearted into the development of and working for the welfare of this country to permit of such bodies as those formed by the Orientals who are utterly out of sympathy with our ideals and always will be and this would be forever a source of weakness instead of strength and a weak link in the chain of national greatness. Returned missionaries and others from China told us that the Chinese who come to B. C., were not at all typical of the average Chinaman and that what we got here was nothing but the riff-raff of the seaports of the Chinese coast whose forefathers long ago formed the much dreaded cut-throat pirates With regard to the Japanese and Hindoos whose national ideals are so much bound up in their religious superstitions, he thought they should fairly be classed with the Chinese. Mr. Blackaby went on to claim that the Chinese were industrially unfit to be in the province on account of their secret societies, their dealings in the white slave traffic, their gambling dens and other forms of vice.

In regard to the Hindoo the speaker claimed that he is the boss agitator, intriguer and trouble maker of all the Orientals who come to these shores and that this race is not one whit better in morals than the Japanese or Chinese.

In India the Hindoo was crafty, unscrupulous and underhanded in his dealings with his own people and only fear of the whites would keep him straight in his relations with them. The speaker claimed lastly that industrially the Orientals were not a benefit to the province and produced statistics to prove that they underbid the white man in labor with the result that thousands were out of employment.

Mr. Pedlar, who led for the negative asked if all the outcry against the Orientals was a better race antagonism which resented the efforts of the underdog to rise or was it a clash between two kindreds uplooking social forces, both strong in ethical motive, the struggle of the Oriental to get on, to climb to higher standards, and the struggle of the white man to keep from being pulled down by a striving but laggard people? He thought the average, intelligent thinker would at once challenge the wisdom of the cry "Exclude the Oriental" on the grounds that it was unjust, unnecessary and unpolitic; unjust, because it meant discrimination between aliens of different races in the province, unnecessary, because there was no real menace calling for drastic legislation; and unpolitic, because it was likely to raise questions between the different countries which it was advisable to avoid. Mr. Pedlar claimed that the average Chinaman and Jap brought more money per head than any but the English or German; they had less illiteracy than the immigrants of Southern Europe, they were nearly all of vigorous age and in good health, they did not become dependents nor provide many criminals, they were intelligent, energetic and self-reliant and well able to take care of themselves. If white immigrants were of equal quality they would be welcomed enthusiastically by us. For white people to be in favor of the cry "Exclude the Oriental" was unfair. He claimed that these Orientals made good workers on farms and that there was room for all in the province. We sent missionaries to China, India and Japan to teach these people that all were free, and yet when they came to Canada we said "Exclude the Oriental." It surely was the hollowest form of hypocricy.

Mr. Harding and Mr. Wade followed for the affirmative and negative respectively, and after a recess. Mr. Welsh announced that the judges had decided in favor of the affirmative by a very small margin. An interesting discussion followed and quite a number took part.

Before the recess Mrs. L. Nelson and Miss Patterson rendered a duet which was much appreciated.

The next meeting of the society will be held on January 5th, when a paper will be read on "Music."

MORMON MOVING PICTURES

With the object of winning converts to their faith the Mormon authorities of Alberta, who make their headquarters at Cardston, south of this city, will conduct an educational moving picture campaign all over the Dominion of Canada. The object is using the pictures to show in a vivid way the various stages through which Mormonism has passed.

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December 9, 1913. 4

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NOTICE

Re Geo. A. Bowser Assignment for the Benefit of Creditors

Copy of resolution passed at meeting of creditors of George A. Bowser, of Kelowna, British Columbia, held on Friday, 5th day of December, 1913.

Moved by W. Lloyd Jones, seconded by Dr. S. W. Thayer, as follows:

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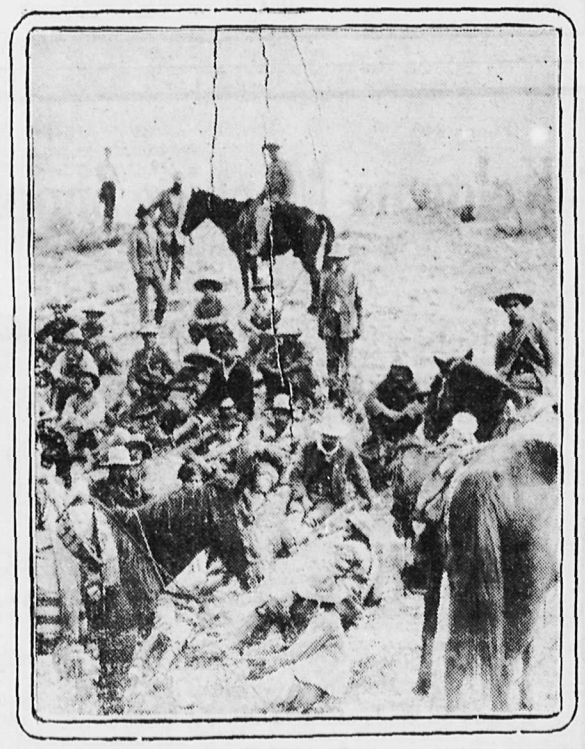

"VILLA", FORMER BANDIT, HAS RISEN TO FAME AND POWER

General Francisco Villa, rebel leader, and his staff resting during their march toward Mexico City. Villa, who a few months ago was unknown, except as a dangerous bandit, has now become one of the most powerful men in Mexico. He has risen in the rebel ranks with startling suddenness, and has led the Constitutionalist forces to victory after victory. Among his most brilliamt feats was the capture and defence of Jaurez, custom port and port of entry and one of the most important cities of Northern Mexico. Practically all of the northern states are now in the hands of the rebels, and in the south the latter are meeting with success almost every day

This photograph was taken after the federals had been routed south of Jaurez. While Villa and his staff obtained a brief respite from the forced marching. Federal artillery, battling with the main body of Villa's army, dropped an ocassional shell near the encampment of the rebel general.

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Letters of a Self-raised Office Boy to His Pal

In which Jimmy tells of Kelowna happenings to Mr. Sidney Harper, of Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sid.—Until the receipt of your letter I had thought that the day of miracled had passed, but from henceforth even for evermore, I am a firm believer in the supernatural.

What came over the spirit of your dreams to cause you to break the silence of ages. From where I sit it looks like you had been crossed in love once more, or you would never have taken your harp from the weeping willow tree, and busted forth into song again. However, we are thankful you did and from the bottom of my crushed and bleeding heart I thank you.

In spite of my pleasure at receiving your letter I must take exception to some of your statements. Where do you get that stuff about our not having any skating in Kelowna, and furthermore I seem to gather from your feeble remarks that you are trying to draw comparisons between Kelowna, the gem of the Okanagan, and that animated frog pond you are living in. Don't try anything like that Sid. As well might you compare a shapeless lump of mud with the pricelsss Koh-i-noor. About the hocket and skating. You certainly got off on the wrong foot there. We certainly have skating here and we also have some hockey team. The plans for the coming winter are to have an inter-city hockey league and from the various teams pick a team to represent the town. When that team is chosen, we've got real money, that says they can whip their weight in wild cats, in spite of what any web-footed son of misery says to the contrary.

Another thing—where do you get any licence to climb on the rail fence and crow about this "Ivanhoe" picture. Do you think we are asleep at the switch down here? We have had "Ivanhoe" booked for the last month. It will be here the first of January. Now, Smarty, will you be a good dog. And furthermore we are not only going to have "Ivanhoe" but a bunch of other features that are just as good.

I was deeply pained at what you said about Vernon being a suburb of of Kelowna. What have I ever done to deserve this, at your hands? Thank goodness though, it's not true. The report must have been spread by some malicious Vernonite who was jealous of Kelowna and wished to do us the greatest injury in his power. I will let light into your Egyptian darkness, Vernon is not a suburb of Kelowna, but a small village about 40 miles north of here and goodness knows that's near enough.

We are having an epidemic of benefits at the Opera House these days—one on Tuesday night for the above mentioned hockey league, and the other on Friday, given by the school children in aid of their school library—certainly a most worthy object. Anyone so mean and low-down that they would not help the children if they are able should be given an hour to leave town and if they refused to comply should be sentenced to spend the rest of their natural life in Penticton.

Before closing I want to thank you again for writing. Let the good work go on; don't close up again like a clam at low tide. Be a good sport, and write often, even is I did find fault with your letter.

Be a good boy and take care of yourself. Remember the old saying, early to bed and early to rise, and you'll meet darned few prominent people. Yours,

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While improvements have piled up one after another in rapid succession, I have made it my business and constant endeavour to keep abreast of the times and to-day I can assure you that I am using a picture projection equipment equal to the best in use anywhere. Your steadily increasing patronage assures me that you appreciate my endeavours to supply good clean entertainment, and I can assure you that during 1914 will be untiring in my efforts to procure not only the best pictures made but also the bes shows and other attractions obtainable,

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Santa Claus' Horned Horses

By CLARENCE HAWKE

Breathes there a man among us, with soul so dead that he does not atten, when the Yule-tide season comes round recall with boyish delight the good old days, when he firmly believed in a real Santa Claus, and best of all in reindeer and sledge piled high with the bulging pack.

What pictures of childhood more delighted us than those of the fat, rosy-cheeked old gentleman, muffled and fur coated, benevolence radiating from every portion of his anatomy? But even more interesting than the man, if possible, was the wonderful reindeer, with his branching fantastic antlers, his long warm-looking coat, that could well withstand the bitter cold of that polar country which was supposed to be the home of the dear old Saint. How sleek and dainty was the reindeer's nose, and how bright and spirited his eyes! But most suggestive of all the many wonderful things about this wonderful horse, was the cloud of steam that jetted from his nostrils suggesting the very cold weather.

How much to the childish mind depended upon the reindeer! Would he be able to haul the heavy sledge with its bulging packs through the deep drifts? Was there any possibility that they might become stalled in a bad storm, and thus the wonderful day be lost?

These and a dozen other childish impressions come back to me as I write, and I am sure that my own childhood would have been robbed of a lot of its indescribable charm, its fancy and its wonder pictures, had I been told that there was no Santa Claus and no reindeer.

Christmas without Santa Claus for the young people, the real mythical Santa Claus, with reindeer and sledge, is very commonplace and tame indeed.

But while our critical realists have been able partly to destroy the rotund old gentleman, his reindeer still remains more widely used and of more commercial importance today than ever before, and it is to that splendid remnant of Santa Claus, his Horned Horse that I invite your attention.

It will probably surprise my readers considerably to learn that there are twenty-five or thirty thousand deer, in their domesticated state, right here in North America. All but a few dozen of them, which are owned by that splendid philanthropist, Doctor Grenfell, of Labrador, are found in Uncle Sam's dominion of Alaska, to which rugged country the first small herd was imported from Siberia in 1891 by the missionary. Dr. Sheldon Jackson, Congress having authorized the purchase of a few head.

As for the wild reindeer, or caribou, in North America, why, he is nearly as countless as the stars. A few years ago that splendid naturalist, Mr. Thompson Seton, went away up beyond the Athabasca country into the Canadian barren-ground country away beyond the timber-line. In this desolate land, which seems to be the home of the caribou in America, he found them in such numbers that he thought they were as numerous as the buffalo on this continent had ever been. One herd that he discovered he estimated as containing millions of head.

Extending clear around the earth and just above the timber-line is the barren-ground country, the home of the barren-ground caribou. This is a cheerless waste, where only the smallest willows and alders grow, and where the summer is of the shortest. The woodland caribou, which is considerably larger than its barren-ground kinsman, ranges much further south than does the barren-ground, having been known to stray down into Northern Maine, although its usual range is much farther north.

The home of the domesticated European reindeer, where it runs in a wild state as well as domesticated, is in Norway and Sweden, and in the islands of Nova Zembla and Spitzbergen.

The subduing genius of the reindeer, the people who have done the most with him, and gotten the most out of him, are the Lapps, a primitive people living in a rugged country known as Lapland, which really means land's end. So the name Lapp is indiscriminately applied to many of the people in that desolate land fringing the Arctic Sea in Northern Europe and Asia.

The caribou or reindeer in his wild state weighs from one hundred and thirty to one hundred and fifty pounds to three hundred for the woodland species, but in captivity, by careful breeding some larger specimens have been obtained. Not much of a horse for size, you may think. Granted, but he makes up in endurance and in strength for his size, what he lacks in actual weight, for he will draw more than his own weight over the snow at a pace that would leave a good horse far behind in a long race, and keep it up for a day or two if required. All writers agree that the reindeer is practically a steed that never tires, while some of the records of his endurance seem unbelievable.

To the Lapp he is not only a fine horse, when hitched to a sledge, but also a beast of burden, being used as a pack animal, and also sometimes ridden in the saddle, although he is rather small for that purpose.

The wealth of the Lapp is computed by the number of reindeer in his herd. There are a very few rich men among them owning herds containing several thousand head, but most own a few hundred, while the poorer Lapps only possess a few head.

Not only is the reindeer the Lapp's faithful steed, but he is also food and raiment as well, while the tender reindeer tongue, which is considered a great luxury in Europe, gives the primitive Lapp an export trade that makes him a citizen of the world.

The reindeer skin, which is soft and pliable, is covered with a thick hair from one and a half to three inches in length, so it makes the warmest kind of robes. Clothing, blankets, and everything that more civilized people use cloth for, are here supplied by the reindeer's useful skin. His antlers are made into spoons, ladles and useful utensils too many even to mention. His sinews, which are very strong, form the stoutest kind of cord, while his hoofs and many other parts find their use in the hands of the ingenious Lapp.

The milk of this useful deer is very thick like cream, but rather aromatic in taste. It has to be diluted two or three times before it is suitable to drink. It is coagulated, and cheese is made from it, while the whey is drunk greedily by the Lapp. The milk is also fermented and a liquor, similar to the drink made by the Tartars from mare's milk, produced.

In color the reindeer or caribou is far removed from the sleek, rich, reddish brown creatures that we see represented in the Santa Claus pictures. Its prevailing color is gray, very slightly tinged with brown, but so slightly colored as to look almost white at a little distance. The markings are a white ring around the tip of the nose, and a corresponding ring about each ankle just above the hoof. When the coat is first shed the color is much darker, but as soon as the new hair comes in it grows gray again. The hair is not shed at the root as in other animals of the kind, but breaks off close to the root. The fawn is reddish brown when born but after six or eight months puts on the adult gray.

The horns of the reindeer are most curious, being cylindrical at the base, but branching both backward and down. Only one side of the set, however, put out brow antlers. The length of the brow antlers is nearly that of the head, while the other branches writh and twist about, giving this remarkable deer's head a very fantastic appearance.

The more primitive harness is a simple collar with a single tug passing between the animal's legs to the front end of the sledge, while the steed is driven by a single rein which is passed from side to side as the driver wishes the animal to go to the right or left. The rein is secured to the antlers. This mode of driving is quite similar to the gee-line with which a six-mule team is sometimes driven.

The horns of the buck are shed in February or March as in the case of most other deer. The starbuck does not shed her horns until April, provided she is with young, but if she is barren they fall in September. This enables the herdsman to know which starbuck to kill for meat, and which not.

Of all the deer family, the reindeer or caribou is the most restless and given to fitful migrations. Several of the North American Indian names for him mean the Wanderer, and who has named the wild creatures as fittingly as the Indian, for so it is with the restless caribou.

Like a gray shadow he blends with the landscape, being nearly invisible against the new snow, and also blending nicely in the gray colorless barren ground above the timber-line, and between that and the snow-line.

Today he pulls the fantastic reindeer moss from trees or rocks, or paws and roots for it beneath the snow, in one parallel of north latitude, and tomorrow he may be feeding a hundred miles away.

When upon these autumn migrations, although the caribou is always wandering, he bands together in herds of hundreds of thousands, and rushes across the barrens like a mighty tidal wave. At such times he is perfectly fearless of man, and entirely insensible to firearms.

With rattling antlers, and cracking ankle joints, and hoofs snapping like castanets, with steam pouring from their nostrils, and a cloud of vapor rising from the mighty herd, they sweep over the barren north lands, the mighty phalanx of Santa Claus' horned horse.

Sometimes, when they have gone for months without finding any suitable supply of salt, they become locoed and frenzied with the smell of salt water from Hudson Bay, which they scent many leagues away. Then the migration, which is usually rather leisurely, becomes a mad rush for the salt shore—a stampede in which all things are swept before it, and many sometimes perish is a ravine or muskeg.

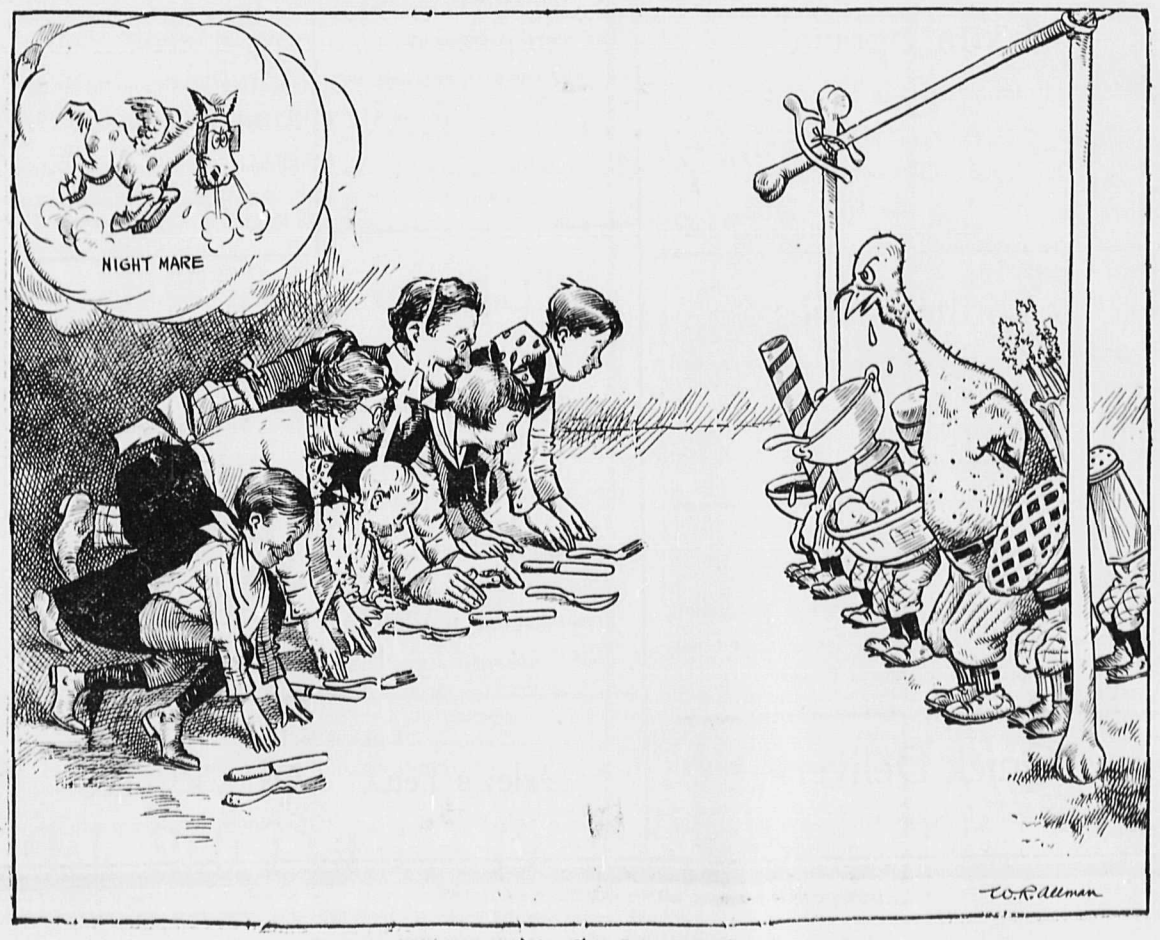
Of the endurance of the reindeer when driven, all writers agree.

Two army officers in the seventeenth century, while making a rapid trip northward for the government of Sweden, drove a reindeer for several hours at the rate of eighteen miles an hour. Many of the figures which I find in seemingly trustworthy authorities I dare not quote, but it is certain that a good reindeer would kill three or four horses in a relay race, running against them all and still be fresh.

The most extravagant account of all concerning the speed of this remarkable horned horse is found in Scandinavian history. At a certain time of revolution and unrest in the kingdom a plot to overthrow the government was discovered by an officer, who, at the time was eight hundred miles from his king ans the capital. If he could reach the capital in just two days the government might be saved. His only hope of reaching his king in time, lay in the fleetest and most wonderful reindeer in Norway. Upon this slight hope and with the destiny of the nation in his hands, the officer set out. For forty-eight hours without stopping for a moment the noble deer carried the frantic officer, and came to the king with the life and death news of treason. But when the terrible race was over the faithful reindeer fell dead. A wonderful picture of the reindeer still hangs in the palace at Drontheim.

I give you the story as I got it from the pages of history. Man, when great emergency calls him, and life and death hangs in the balance, can make such a superhuman effort, and pay for it with his life, but that an animal, a mere brute without understanding the mighty thing at stake, could make such a sacrifice, argues a nobility of wonderful quality. It also suggests a faith in the hand of the master that drove it so cruelly, that puts to shame our own faith in the power above us.

After all, there is a spark of nobility in a fine horse, a reindeer, or a faithful dog, that makes man, who is their God, ashamed of his own unworthiness.—Clarence Hawkes, in "Our Dumb Animals."



WAITING FOR THE SIGNAL FOR THE SCRIMMAGE

The Joys of Christmas Time

By Kennett Harris

Hark! the merry chimes are warning
us that this is Christmas morning,
And it's time that we were rising, though the hour isn't late.
Still, the kiddies will be flocking, each to overhaul his stocking,
And there's scads of things we've got to do that really cannot wait.
Yet, before we kick the clothes off (quite determined not to doze off),
Let's indulge in dreamy musing on this joyous Christmastide;
Let us, while the bells are pealing, get up some real Christmas feeling,
Fill ourselves with sweet emotions that are not quite cut and dried.
True, the minutes fast are gliding, but, consarn 'em, let 'em glide.

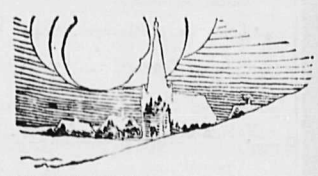
Think of these long weeks of waiting, all the glad anticipating
Of the gay and festive season that at last, at last is here;
Never resting, never stopping in our mad career of shopping,
Searching over the ideal, not too cheap and not too dear;
Crushed and elbowed in the reeking crowds, that like ourselves are seeking
Just the very thing of all things that their loved ones most desired.
Limp and draggled then emerging from the pushing, struggling, surging
Mob, with parcels overladen, reaching home at last, dog tired.
Those experiences may be best described as "most all-fired."

Yet no antiquated stoic showed endurance more heroic
Than we've manifested through the weary ordeal of that time;
We have stood the stress of barter with the courage of a martyr;
Now we find sweet compensation list'ning to the Christmas chime,
Whose clear cadence, soft and mellow, seems to whisper to a fellow
That the worst is nearly over, that we soon may breathe again,
Soon may find surcease of sorrow, and that, maybe by tomorrow
Or the next day, may be lifted something of this mental strain,
That a blessed sense of rest may soothe the tissues of our brain.

We have done with haste and flurry, no occasion now to worry,
Lest some sensitive relation may have been quite overlooked.
All the lists of names are checked and all the walls with green are decked, and
Now within a few short hours the Christmas dinner will be cooked.
Hail to Christmas! happy season! There is some substantial reason
To be gleeful at thy advent—the beginning of the end.
As thou comest wreathed with holly, we can certainly be jolly,
Welcome thee with feast and wassail, and in general unbend,
For we know that we have spent for thee the last cent we can spend!

Now the door bell will cease ringing to the people who were bringing
An endless string of packages from morn to dewy eve;
We no longer will be running to conceal these things with cunning,
And we'll lose our wonted air of having something up our sleeve.
There will be a deuced litter, when the gewgaws gleam and glitter,
Of waste paper, string and cotton, from the kitchen to the hall;
But, with consciences elastic, we will grow enthusiastic
And "wonder how they guessed," as on the donors' necks we fall,
Looking blissful over dewdads that we didn't want at all.

Ah, this blessed thing of giving! It is half the joy of living
To watch the looks of gratitude and pleasure and surprise
That, at least to outward seeming, are upon loved faces beaming—
As the loved one opens his parcel and digs out his gaudy ties.
And the gentle wife and mother her emotion tries to smother
When conducted by her husband, to some secret corner, where,
As a proof of fond affection, he has hid from her detection,
His gift to her, a cozy, costly, well-upholstered chair
(Of whose comforts, in the future, you may bet he'll get his share).



Now this Christmas spirit moves us to sense that it behoves us
To keep Poverty's bare platter and fill Destitution's cup.
Bring turk and pie and gladness to the homes of empty sadness!
To help out sweet Christmas charity who would not loosen up?
But it's highly aggravating not to say exasperating,
When we've given most nobly and without thought of stint,
To find out, as we expected, that the modest are neglected
And our princely benefaction hasn't found its way to print.
(Certainly we didn't ask it, but a man might take a hint).

But away with sad reflection! This is no time for dejection.
Merry Christmas, happy Christmas, as we said, has come at last!
All the many tribulations, all the trials and vexations
That have crowded thick upon us for the last six weeks, are past,
Not a protest shall be uttered, though the house with toys is cluttered
And the kids are all parading to the sound of horn and drum,
Lusty lung and larynx voicing the extent of their rejoicing.
We will have to stand the racket now that Christmas day is come.
(Later tone our nervous system at some sanitarium).

Thank the Giver if we're able to sit 'round a well-spread table,
Where the plump white-bosomed turkey sheds its savor through the room,
And pudding comes on smoking, and there's no end to the joking,
And no heart that harbors malice and no mind o'ercast with gloom,
Let us be profoundly grateful that we have at least a plateful,
Grateful for the pepsin tablets that correct our Christmas cheer;
Hold it as among our mercies if there's coin left in our purses,
Be thankful for those dear to us and those who hold us dear.
(And most supremely thankful Christmas comes but once a year).

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CHRISTMAS IS A PROPHECY

It Forecasts the Perfect Social Conditions Which Will Fulfill the Promises of Christ.

Christmas is not only a fact commemorating the one sacred festival in the world's calendar, but the glorious prophecy of a coming day, surpassing all the brightest social dreams that have ever visited the most advanced human mind. He sprang, on His human nature side, from kings and peasants, from saints and sinners. He is yet to lift every peasant to the kingliest throne of character and transform the chief of sinners into the holiest of saints. He allied Himself with poverty and the common people. He is yet to banish poverty with all its ills, from the world, and to give to common humanity their rightful sovereignty. He worked with His hands for His daily bread. He is yet to dignify and glorify in the thought of mankind all honest toil. He honored woman with His sympathetic and appreciative regard. He is yet to relieve her from every form of serfdom created by the past ages. He took little children in His arms and blessed them. He is yet to make blessed the child life in every welcoming home. He gave His peace to His distracted disciples. He is yet to make wars cease unto the end of the earth. He united His brethren with Himself and His Father in one unbroken oneness. He is yet to make every man a brother to his fellow-man and at one with his Father in Heaven.

Central Selling Agency's Season's Business

MANAGER ROBERTSON PRESENTS HIS ANNUAL REPORT

The following report of the season's work of the Okanagan Growers' Ltd., was presented by the manager, Mr. R. Robertson at a meeting of the directors recently held in Vernon:

"J. E. Reekie, Esq.,
Chairman, Board of Directors,
Okanagan United Growers, Ltd.
Vernon, B. C.

Dear Sir.—"I beg to hand you herewith statement showing total shipment up to November 30th, also the statement of expenses and estimate of surplus over and above the expenses to same date. You will note the total shipments of fruit were 536 cars, vegetables 354 cars and hay 51 cars.

It is almost impossible to give an accurate estimate of the quantity of fruit and produce, especially the latter still to be shipped. As nearly as I can figure, however, there should be between 200 and 250 cars of fruit and vegetables to move before May 1, and not less than 100 cars of hay.

"You would note that the estimated surplus at November 30 is $21,821.10. If the shipments are as above outlined it would appear that we would have not less than $20,000.00 to refund to the local associations, or approximately one-half the charges we have retained to cover operating expenses. In addition to this, there is at the credit of the reserve fund $12,709.53 which we have deposited temporarily in the savings bank.

"Reviewing the situation of the shipping season up to date, it might be briefly outlined as follows: Cherries, apricots and early peaches did not carry well. In our experience this was due to a number of causes: Cherries to the excessive rainsW in many cases, to shipments going forward overripe with a view of trying to save the crop; apricots: excessive moisture followed by extreme heat, which seemed to have the effect of causing the apricots to ripen abnormally fast; the early peaches did not seem to develop with the same amount of matured body in the peach as usual, and the stock that appeared to be in good condition even for shipping by freight, under tests made in the Vernon warehouses were found to be unfit to ship within 24 hours when held in a cool place.

Early Apples Sold Well

"Early apples, crab apples all moved out at good prices. Florence crabs should not be shipped another season; there was a good demand for Transcendents and Hyslops.

"Owing to the shortage in the market, we have shipped out a good many cars of cooking apples at prices ranging from 55c to $1.15 per box. On the good standard varieties prices will be satisfactory; on what might be termed "off varieties" of apples, prices will not be satisfactory—this again owing to the competition from the other side of "C" grade stock.

"I am strongly of the opinion that for another season a list of the apples should be gone over very carefully, the best varieties decided on, which would be graded No. 1s and 2s; off varieties graded; straight orchard run with culls only taken out. The market for apples, we think should be For the best grades of No. 1, the larger cities and for export trade; for the straight run orchard pack, Northwest country points.

"Pears: The receipt of the associations were light. Good prices were obtained.

Vegetables

"Early potatoes started out very high. The extreme shortage of money and a desire to participate in the higher prices brought about a condition which proved very unsatisfactory. Shipments were made that should never have gone out; they were showing shrinkage in 18 hours or by the time they reached Calgary. This re-acted on our sales, and when the shipments should have gone out by reason of being better matured, we found it difficult to make sales owing to previous shipments landing in bad order.

"With the exception of one pool covering potatoes, fairly satisfactorily results were obtained. In the early fall it appeared that we would be able to get about $18.00 for our fall crop, but owing to come of our competitors forcing the price down, we were compelled to follow to some extent, although very slowly, till sales were made as low as $15.00, owing to our being unable to secure anything like an adequate estimate of the quantities available.

Cabbage Sold Well

"Cabbage has moved out at satisfactory prices on the average. The total shipments are 52 cars up to the end of November. For the first time, we found some local competitors in Calgary from the High River district during the early fall. This cabbage is being grown by Japanese, we understand. We are also advised that the Mormons in the Raymond district are producing cabbage to some extent.

"Beets, turnips, carrots and parsnips have been proving slow all fall. There is apparently a considerable surplus production of these commodities.

"Onions. You will note we have shipped 28 cars of crates and 63 cars of sacks. There are still two or three cars to go out. Prices will be very satisfactory on this product. The last two cars we have sold at $15.10 per ton f.o.b., shipping point, and have also cleaned up two cars of small No. 2s at $25.00 per ton.

Celery Returns Good

"Celery: Returns on the average have been satisfactory, and we shall be able to clear up the total crop at good prices.

"Taking the season altogether, prices realized, I think, will be looked upon as being fairly satisfactory when we are able to get the final returns out."

SOME CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

The Christmas tree comes to us directly from the Germans. In that country the children all believe in Santa Claus and the Christmas tree has a prominent place in every home. In Norway and Sweden the season is one of good cheer and early preparations are made to bring happiness to all classes, poor and rich alike. In no other country probably are the birds and animals so well remembered. Sheaves of grain are fastened to the tops of tall poles and renewed every day for a week, and many are the birds that partake of the feast. The cows and horses share in the general happiness by having a double ration on Christmas day. In certain southern countries where Spanish is spoken, "Yule-tide" is celebrated without the evergreen tree. Here there is a quaint superstition. It is thought that the animals have speech on Christmas day, and so when the cocks crow and the bulls roar and the sheep bleat, they are proclaiming the glad tidings of the Nativity—that Christ is born in Bethlehem. Many a child listens and tries to make out this wonderful conversation among the beasts and birds when Christmas morning dawns.

Now in the rosy hearth's domain,
Let the old truths revive and reign;
Let voices, carolling from the night
That wrong is wrong, and right still right,
Lead us to childhood once again,
At Christmas time!

RELIGIOUS STATISTICS

Census figures of the strength of religious organizations in the Dominion have recently been published. For the purpose of comparison and in order to show how the increase in the population has benefited the strength of the different churches figures for the past thirty years are quoted by periods of decades. The following table will be found interesting as showing the relative growth and relative standing of the principal denominations in the country in 1881 and 1911, the year the last census was taken.

	1881	1911
Roman Catholics	1,791,982	2,833,041
Presbyterians	676,165	1,115,321
Methodists	742,981	1,079,892
Anglicans	577,414	1,043,017
Baptists	296,525	382,666
Lutherans	46,350	229,864

Some idea of the relative strength of the different denominations in proportion to the population can be gained by the showing the percentage proportion of each to the population in 1881 and 1911 as follows:

	1881	1911
Roman Catholics	41.43	39.31
Presbyterians	15.61	15.48
Methodists	17.18	14.99
Anglicans	13.35	14.47
Baptists	6.86	5.31
Lutherans	107	3.19

From the foregoing it will be seen that the Anglican and Lutheran churches have made the greatest proportionate gains, though these gains are in all probability due largely to immigration. The most notable gain of all in the religions of the country during the last ten years has been that of the Greek church, which grew from .29 of the population in 1901 to 1.23 in 1911. The Jews in 1881 constituted .006 of the population, whereas in 1911 they had increases to 1.01 An increase of 81,835,328 in the population during the decade 1901-1911 included the following by religions: Roman Catholics, 603,441; Anglicans, 361,523; Presbyterians, 271,882; Methodists, 163,006; Lutherans, 137,340; Greek Church, 72,877 Baptists, 64,561; Jews, 58,163; Mennonites, 12,811 and Mormons 9,180.

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Riley's and Melbtosh Toffees, per lb. .... 40c.

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Xmas, 1913

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Ripe Olives. For those who do not like Green ones. per bottle 40c.

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Petits Pois. Small and sweet. Per tin .... 25c.

Gold Bar Asparagus. Better than fresh. per tin .... 35c.

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Raisins. The seedless kind. Per lb. .... 15c.

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$12.50 Suitcase

Third ticket drawn

$4.50 Hat

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A WIERD SEA STORY

A thrilling and intensely weird story of the sea, recalling in many details Clark Russel's "The Frozen Pirate", has been received from New Zealand respecting the sailing ship Marlborough of Glasgow.

Twenty-three years ago the Marlborough sailed from Lyttleton, New Zealand, with a cargo of frozen mutton and wool and a crew of thirty-three, under the command of Captain Hird. Built in 1878, she was in the special survey class on Lloyd's Register. Her dimensions were 228 feet long, with a 35 foot beam and 27 feet draught.

It was in the early days of January 1890 that she set out on her long voyage in the teeth of winter gales of the south Pacific to round Cape Horn and get on the last "great leg," of 7,000 miles or more of her voyage to the Clyde. She was sighted in mid-ocean onwards toward Magellan, and after that nothing further was heard of her. In April of that year she was posted as missing. At the end of 1890 she was given up as lost in the storms around "the mariner's grave" off the rockbound coast of South Patagonia. A government cruiser was despatched to make investigation, to pick up her wreckage, and to glean any knowledge of the missing ship. Not a spar was found, and the Marlborough, it was believed, had gone to the bottom of the Pacific in a winter hurricane.

Recently the tragic truth was learned by a British vessel bound for Lyttleton, New Zealand, which had rounded Cape Horn. In the words of her captain:

"We were off the rocky coves near Panta Arenas, keeping near the land for shelter. The coves are deep and silent, the sailing difficult and dangerous. It was a weirdly wild evening, with the red orb of the sun setting on the horizon. The stillness was uncanny. There was a shining green light reflected on the jagged rocks on our right.

"We rounded a point into a deep cleft cove. Before us, a mile or more across the water, stood a sailing vessel, with the barest shreds of canvas fluttering to the breeze. We signalled and hove to. No answer came. We searched with our glasses, Not a soul could we see, not a movement of any sort. Masts and yards were picked out in green— the green of decay.

"The vessel lay as if in a cradle. It recalled "The Frozen Pirate", a novel that I read years ago. I conjured up the vessel of the novel with her rakish masts and the outline of her six small cannons traced with snow.

"At last we came up. There was no sign of life on board. After an interval our first mate, with amember of the crew boarded her. The sight that met their gaze was thrilling. Below the wheel lay the skeleton of a man. Treading warily on the rotten deck, which cracked and broke in places as they walked, they encountered three skeletons in the hatchway. In the mess room were the remains of ten bodies, and six were found, one alone, possibly that of the captain, on the bridge There was an uncanny stillness around and a dank smell of mould which made the flesh creep. A few remnants of books were discovered in the captain's cabin, and a rusty cutlass. Nothing more weird in the history of the sea can ever have been seen. The first mate examined the still faint letters on the bows, and after much trouble read "Marlborough, Glasgow."

HEN WANTED CHICKS AND FOUGHT THE CAT

Grace Pete Will, of Rising Sun tells just how perverse a setting hen can be, and related an unusual story. The hen was the property of J. A. Will, of Rising Sun, and the narrator was herself a witness of the incident.

There was an orange box in the chicken lot. It was like all orange boxes, having two compartments. A cat, with a new family of kittens, decided to take possession of one of the orange box apartments, and a setting hen, which had no eggs to sit on, took the other. Through one night the cat, kittens, and hen occupied the two apartments amicably.

In the morning the mother cat was called to breakfast, and the hen peeped over the partition and saw the kittens, all curled up. She hopped over into her neighbor's flat aad took possession, sitting on the kittens. And the kittens seemed to enjoy it, for they made no complaint.

Finally the mother cat came back. She was in a fury and made an attack on the hen. The hen, too, was in a fury, and seemed unreasonably to believe that the cat was trespassing. The hen arose from the nest, spread her wings and sallied towards the cat. The cat retreated. Time and again this performance was repeated. At last the cat, realizing that it was no match for an angry would-be mother hen, retired to a far corner and moaned and groaned about it.

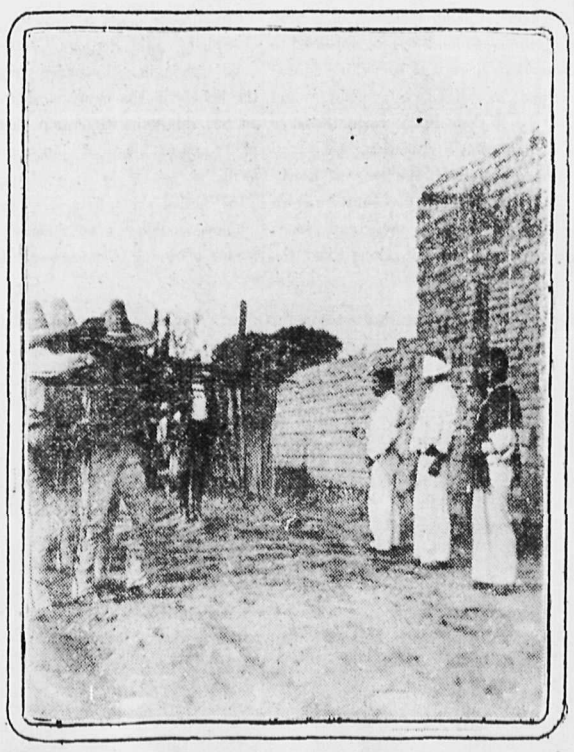
Human hands intervened and the hen was taken away and tied up, so she could not get back to the kittens.

Then—happy thought! Why not photograph the hen fighting a mother cat for possession of the kittens? The camera was brought, the hen was released and the cat was transferred from the nest. But that hen just wouldn't fight any more.

TRUE EDUCATION

That man, I think, has had a liberal education who has been so trained that his body is the ready servant of his will, and does with ease and pleasure all the work that as a mechanism it is capable of; whose intellect is a clear cold, logic engine, with all its parts of equal strength, and in smooth working order; ready, like a steam-engine, to be turned to any kind of work, and spin the gossamers as well as forge the anchors of the mind; whose mind is stored with a knowledge of the great and fundamental fruits of nature and of the laws of her operation; one who, no stunted ascetic, is full of life and fire, but whose passions are trained to come to heel by a vigorous will, the servant of a tender conscience who has learned to love all beauty, whether of nature or of art, to have all vileness, and to respect others as himself.

Such a man and no other, I consider has had a liberal education.—Thomas Huxley, in "Lay Sermons."



EXECUTION OF THREE REBEL OFFICERS BY FEDERAL SQUAD

Federal firing squad executing three rebel officers, which under Mexican law they are allowed to do. All officers in the rebel army above the rank of captain are held to be traitors, and are summarily executed when captured. The officer at the right had just raised his sword, and pronounced the words, "Take Aim", when the photograph was taken. At the extreme left may be seen the priest who but a moment before had given the condemned men the last rites of the Catholic church. Two of the prisoners declined the privilege of being blindfolded. The man in the centre, with less nerve than his two fellow rebels, asked to have his eyes covered so that he might not be compelled to look down the barrels of the guns that were to end his life.

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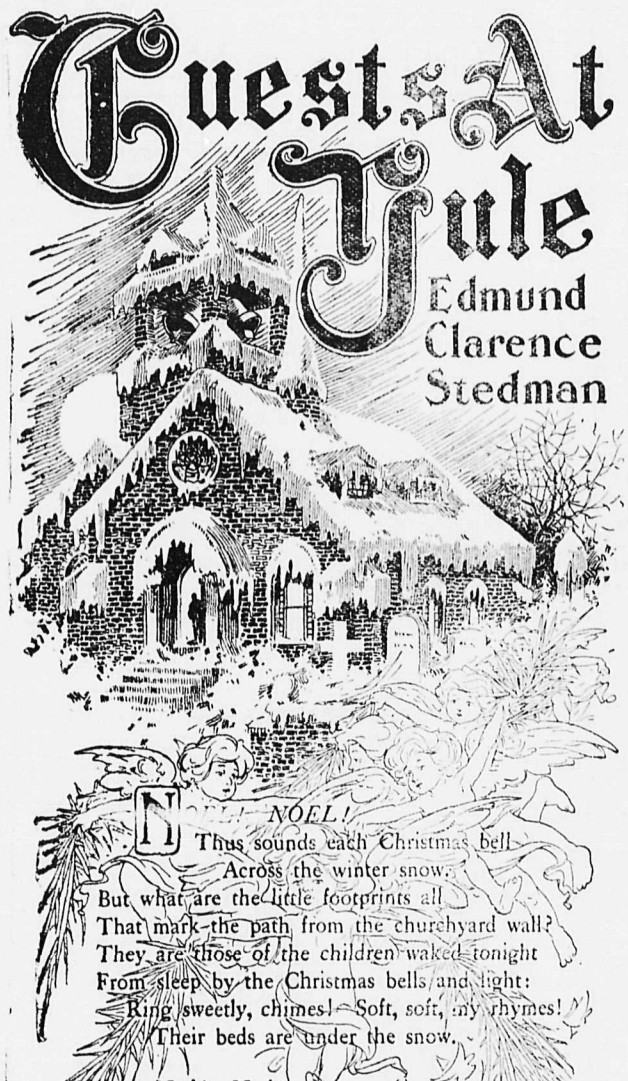


NOEL!

Thus sounds each Christmas bell
Across the winter snow.
But what are the little footprints all
That mark the path from the churchyard wall?
They are those of the children waked tonight
From sleep by the Christmas bells and light:
Ring sweetly, chimes! Soft, soft, my rhymes!
Their beds are under the snow.

Noel! Noel!
Carols each Christmas bell
What are the wraiths of mist
That gather anear the window-pane
Where the winter frost all day has lain?
They are soulless elves, who fain would peer
Within, and laugh at our Christmas cheer:
Ring fleetly, chimes! Swift, swift, my rhymes!
They are made of the mocking mist

Noel! Noel!
Cease, cease, each Christmas bell!
Under the holly bough,
Where the happy children throng and shout,
What shadow seems to flit about?
Is it the mother, then, who died
Ere the greens were sere last Christmas-tide?
Hush, falling chimes! Cease, cease, my rhymes!
The guests are gathered now.

The Pudding.— The popular Christmas pudding is, comparatively speaking, quite new. It is simply the successor, improved out of knowledge by many extra iggredients of "plum duff," which a sailorman made from dough and raisins, on Christmas day on board ship, as an experiment in cookery.

A Christmas tree of solid gold, two feet high, and plentifully supplied with branches, is not an ordinary sight or fashion. Such is the description of a "tree" given by an Irish gold miner to the late Pope a few years ago. The man had made a fortune in the Klondyke, and spent a large slice of it on the gift mentioned.

The Cratchit's Christmas Dinner

From "A Christmas Carol"
By CHARLES DICKENS

Scrooge and the Ghost of Christmas Present stood in the city streets on Christmas morning, (where for the weather was severe) the people made a rough and brisk and not unpleasant kind of music, in scraping the snow from the pavement in front of their dwellings, and from the tops of their houses, whence it was mad delight to the boys to see it come plunging down into the road below, and splitting into artificial little snow storms.

The house fronts looked black enough and the windows, blacker, contrasting with the smooth white sheet of snow upon the roofs, and with the dirtier snow upon the ground; which last deposit had been ploughed up in deep furrows by the heavy whee's of carts and wagons; furrows that crossed and recrossed each other hundreds of times where the great streets branched off; and made intricate channels, hard to trace, in the thick yellow mud and icy water. The sky was gloomy, and the shortest streets were choked up with a dingy mist, half thawed, half frozen, whose heavier particles descended in a shower of sooty atoms, as if the chimneys in Great Britain had, by one consent, caught fire, and were blazing away to their dear hearts' content. There was nothing very cheerful in the climate or the town, and yet was there an air of cheerfulness abroad that the clearest summer air and the brightest summer sun might have endeavoured to diffuse in vain.

For the people who were shoveling away on the house-tops were jovial and full of glee, calling out to one another from the parapets, and now and then exchanging a facetious snowball,—better-natured missils far than many a wordy jest,—laughing heartily if it went right, and not less heartily if it went wrong. The poulterers' shops were still half open, and the fruiterers' were radiant in their glory. There were great, round, pot-bellied baskets of chestnuts, shaped like the waistcoats of jolly old gentlemen, lolling at the doors, and tumbling out into the street in their apoplectic opulence. There were ruddy, brown-faced, broad-girthed Spanish onions, shining in the fatness of their growth like Spanish friars, and winking from their shelves in wanton slyness at the girls as they went by, and glanced demurely at the hung-up mistletoe. There were pears and apples, clustered high high in blooming pyramids; there were bunches of grapes, made, in the shopkeepers' benevolence to dangle from conspicuous hooks, that people's mouths might water gratis as they passed; there were piles of filberts, mossy and brown, recalling in their fragrance, ancient walks among the woods, and pleasant shufflings ankle deep through withered leaves; there were Norfolk biffins, squab and swarthy, in the great compactness of their juicy persons, urgently entreating and beseeching to be carried home in paper bags and eaten after dinner. The very gold and silver fish, set forth among these choice fruits in a bowl, though members of a dull and stagnant-blooded race, appeared to know that there was something going on; and, to a fish, went gasping round and round their little world in slow and passionless excitement.

The grocers!, oh the grocers! nearly closed, with perhaps two shutters down or one; but through these gaps such glimpses! It was not alone that the scales descending on the counter made a merry sound, or that the twine and roller parted company so briskly, or that the canisters were rattled up and down like juggling tricks, or even that the blended scents of tea and coffee were so grateful to the nose, or even that the raisins were so plentiful and rare, the almonds so extremely white, the sticks of cinnamon so long and straight, the other spices so delicious, the candied fruits so caked and spotted with molten sugar as to make the coldest lookers-on feel faint, and subsequently bilious. Nor was it that the figs were moist and pulpy, or that the French plums blushed in modest tartness from their highly decorated boxes, or that everything was good to eat and in its Christmas dress; but the customers were all so hurried and so eager in the hopeful promise of the day, that they tumbled up against each other at the door, crashing their wicker baskets wildly, and left their purchases upon the counter and came running back to fetch them, and committed hundreds of the like mistakes, in the best humor possible; while the grocer and his people were so frank and fresh that the polished hearts with which they fastened their aprons behind might have been their own, worn outside for general inspection, and for Christmas daws to peck at, if they chose.

But soon the steeples called good people all to church and chapel, and away they came, flocking through the streets in their best clothes, and with their gayest faces. And at the same time there emerged from scores of by-streets, lanes, and nameless turnings innumerable people, carrying their dinners to the bakers' shops. The sight of these poor revellers appeared to interest the Spirit very much, for he stood, with Scrooge beside him, in a baker's doorway, and, taking off the covers as their bearers passed, sprinkled incense on their dinners from his torch. And it was a very uncommon kind of torch, for once or twice when there were angry words between some dinner-carriers who had jostled each other, he shed a few drops of water on them from it, and their good humor was restored directly. For they said, it was a shame to quarrel upon Christmas day. And so it was! God love it, so it was!

In time the bells ceased, and the bakers were shut up; and yet there was a genial shadowing forth of all these dinners, and the progress of their cooking, in the thawed blotch of wet above each baker's oven, where the pavement smoked as if its stones were cooking too.

"Is there a peculiar flavor in what you sprinkle from your torch?" asked Scrooge.

"There is. My own."

"Would it apply to any kind of dinner on this day?" asked Scrooge.

"To any kindly given. To a poor one most."

"Why to a poor one most?" asked Scrooge.

"Because it needs it most."

"Spirit," said Scrooge, after a moment's thought, "I wonder you, of all the beings in the many worlds about us, should desire to cramp these people's opportunities of innocent enjoyment."

"I!" cried the spirit.

"You would deprive them of their means of dining every seventh day, often the only day on which they can be said to dine at all," said Scrooge.

"I!" cried the spirit.

"You seek to close these places on the seventh day," said Scrooge, "and it comes to the same thing."

"I seek!" exclaimed the spirit.

"Forgive me if I am wrong. It has been done in your name, or at least in that of your family," said Scrooge.

"There are some upon this earth of yours," returned the spirit, "who lay claim to know us, and who do their deeds of passion, pride, ill-will, hatred, envy, bigotry and selfishness in our name, who are as strange to us, and all our kith and kin, as if they had never lived. Remember that, and charge their doings on themselves, not us."

Scrooge promised that he would; and they went on, invisible, as they had been before, into the suburbs of the town. It was a remarkable quality of the Ghost (which Scrooge had observed at the baker's) that, notwithstanding his gigantic size, he could accommodate himself to any place with ease; and that he stood beneath low roof quite as gracefully, and like a supernatural creature, as it was possible he could have done in any lofty hall.

And perhaps it was the pleasure the good spirit had in showing off this power of his, or else it was his own kind, generous, hearty nature, and his sympathy with all poor men, that led him straight to Scrooge's clerk's; for there he went, and took Scrooge with him, holding to his robe; and on the threshold of the door the spirit smiled, and stopped to bless Bob Cratchit's dwelling with the sprinklings of his torch. Think of that! Bob had but fifteen "bob" a week himself; he pocketed on Saturdays but fifteen copies of his Christain name; and yet the Ghost of Christmas Present blesses his four-roomed house.

Then up rose Mrs. Cratchit, Cratchit's wife, dressed out but poorly in a twice-turned gown, but brave in ribbons, which are cheap and made a goodly show for sixpence; and she laid the cloth, assisted by Belinda Cratchit, second of her daughters, also brave in ribbons; while Master Peter Cratchit plunged a fork into the saucepan of potatoes, and getting the corners of his monstrous shirt-collar (Bob's private property, conferred upon his son and heir in honor of the day) into his mouth, rejoicing to find himself so gallantly attired, and yearned to show his linen in the fashionable parks. And now two smaller Cratchits, boy and girl, came tearing in, screaming that outside the baker's they had smelt the goose, and known it for their own; and, basking in luxurious thoughts of sage and onions, these young Cratchits danced about the table, and exalted Master Peter Cratchit to the skies, while he (not proud although his collar nearly choked him) blew the fire, until the slow potatoes, bubbling up, knocked loudly at the saucepan lid to be let out and peeled.

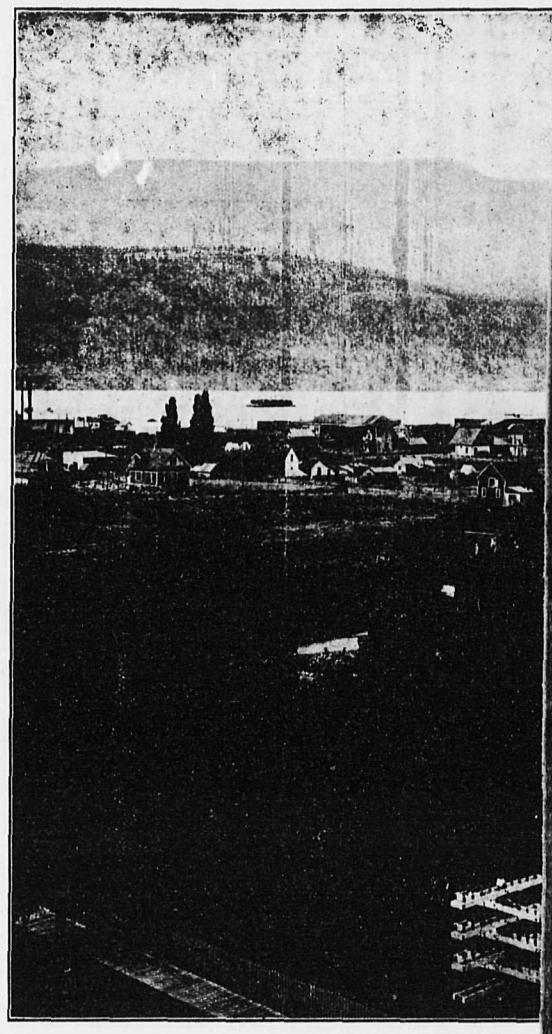
"What has ever got your precious father, then?" said Mrs. Cratchit. "And your brother, Tiny Tim? And Martha warn't as late last Christmas Day by half an hour!"

"Here's Martha, mother," said a girl appearing as she spoke.

"Here's Martha, mother!" cried the two young Cratchits, "Hurrah! There's such a goose, Martha!"

"Why, bless your heart alive, my dear, how late you are!" said Mrs. Cratchit, kissing her a dozen times, and taking off her shawl and bonnet for her with officious zeal.

"We'd a deal of work to finish up last night," replied the girl, "and had



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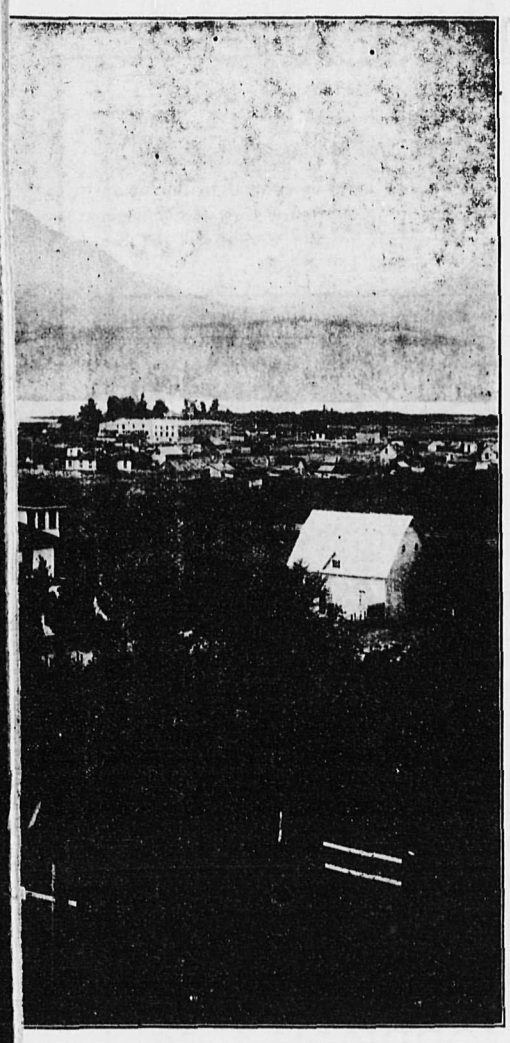


TRIAL DISTRICT

God Rest You Merry Gentlemen

Old English Carol

God rest you merry, gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
For Jesus Christ, our Saviour,
Was born upon this day,
To save us all from Satan's power,
When we were gone astray.

In Bethlehem, in Jewry,
This blessed babe was born,
And laid within a manger
Upon this blessed morn;
The which his mother, Mary,
Nothing did take in scorn.

From God, our Heavenly Father,
A blessed angel came,
And unto certain shepherds
Brought tidings of the same,
How that in Bethlehem was born
The Son of God by name.

"Fear not," then said the angel,
"Let nothing you affright,
This day is born a Saviour
Of virtue, power, and might;
So frequently to vanquish all
The friends of Satan quite."

The shepherds at these tidings
Rejoiced much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding
In tempest, storm, and wind,
And went to Bethlehem straightway,
This blessed babe to find.

But when to Bethleham they came,
Whereas this infant lay,
They found him in a manger,
Where oxen fed on hay,
His mother, Mary, kneeling,
Unto the Lord did pray.

Now to the Lord sing praise,
All you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood,
Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
All others doth deface,
O tidings of comfort and joy!
For Jesus Christ our Saviour
Was born on Christmas Day.

A Visit From St. Nicholas

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in their beds
While visions of sugar plums danced in their heads
And mamma in her kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter nap
When out on the lawn there rose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the window and threw up the sash.
The moon, on the crest of the new fallen snow,
Gave a lustre af midday to objects below;
When what to my wondering eyes should appear
But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer
With a little old driver, so lively and quick
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name:
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen,
On, Comet! on, Cupid! on, Dunder and Blixen!—
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall!
Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"
As dry leaves before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle mount to the sky.
So up to the houseton the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys—and St. Nicholas too
And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack
His eyes, how they twinkle! His dimples, how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry;
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth.
And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath
He had a broad face with a little round belly
That shook when he laughed like a bowl full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump—a right jolly old elf;
And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself.
A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings, then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all and to all good-night!"

—Clement C. Moore.

to clear gway this morning mother."

"Well! Never mind so long as you are come," said Mrs. Cratchit. "Sit ye down before the fire, my dear, and have a warm, Lord bless ye."

No, no! There's father coming," cried the two young Cratchits, who were everywhere at once. "Hide, Martha, hide!"

So Martha hid herself, and in came little Bob, the father, with at least three feet of comforter, exclusive of the fringe, hanging down before him; and his threadbare clothes darned up and brushed, to look seasonable; and Tiny Tim upon his shoulder. Alas for Tiny Tim, he bore a little crutch, and had his limbs supported by an iron frame!

"Why, where's our Martha?" cried Bob Cratchit, looking round.

"Not coming," said Mrs. Cratchit.

"Not coming!" said Bob, with a sudden declension in his high spirits; for he had been Tim's blood horse all the way from the church, and had come home rampant. "Not coming upon Christmas Day!"

Martha didn't like to see him disappointed, if it were only a joke; so she came out prematurely from behind the closet door, and ran into his arms, while the two young Cratchits hustled Tiny Tim, and bore him off into the wash house that he might hear the pudding singing in the copper.

"And how did little Tim behave?" asked Mrs. Cratchit, when she had rallied Bob on his credulity, and Bob had hugged his daughter to his heart's content.

"As good as gold," said Bob, "and better. Somehow he gets thoughtful, sitting by himself so much, and thinks the strangest things you ever heard. He told me, coming home, that he hoped the people saw him in the church, because he was a cripple, and it might be pleasant to them to remember, upon Christmas Day, who made lame beggars walk and blind men see."

Bob's voice was tremulous when he told them this, and trembled more when he said that Tiny Tim was growing strong and hearty.

His active little crutch was heard upon the floor, and back came Tiny Tim before another word was spoken, escorted by his brother and sister to his stool beside the fire; and while Bob, turning up his cuffs,— as if, poor fellow, they were capable of being made more shabby,—compounded some hot mixture in a jug with gin and lemons, and stirred it round and round, and put it on the hob to simmer, Master Peter and the two ubiquitous young Cratchits went to fetch the goose, with which they soon returned in high procession.

Such a bustle ensued that you might have thought a goose the rarest of all birds; a feathered phenomenon, to which a black swan was a matter of course—and in truth it was something like it in that house. Mrs. Cratchit made the gravy (ready beforehand in a little saucepan) hissing hot; Master Peter mashed the potatoes with incredible vigor; Miss Belinda sweetened up the apple sauce; Martha dusted the hot plates; Bob took Tiny Tim beside him in a tiny corner at the table; the two young Cratchits set chairs for everybody, not forgetting themselves, and mounting guards upon their posts, crammed spoons into their mouths, lest they should shriek for goose before their turn came to be served. At last the dishes were set on, and grace was said. It was succeeded by a breathless pause as Mrs. Cratchit looking slowly all along the carving knife, prepared to plunge it in the breast; but when she did and when the long expected gush of stuffing issued forth, one murmur of delight arose all around the board, and even Tiny Tim, excited by the two young Cratchits, beat on the table with the handle of his knife, and feebly cried, "Hurrah!"

There never was such a goose. Bob said he didn't believe there ever was such a goose cooked. Its tenderness and flavor, size and cheapness, were the themes of universal admiration. Eked out by apple sauce and mashed potatoes, it was a sufficient dinner for the whole family; indeed, as Mrs. Cratchit said with great delight (surveying one small atom of the bone upon the dish), they hadn't ate it all at last! Yet every one had had enough, and the youngest Cratchits in particular were steeped in sage and onions to the eyebrows! But now, the plates being changed by Miss Belinda, Mrs. Cratchit left the room alone—too nervous to bear witnesses—to take the pudding up, and bring it in.

Suppose it should not be done enough! Suppose it should break in turning out! Suppose somebody should have got over the wall of the back yard and stolen it, while they were merry with the goose,—a supposition at which the two young Cratchits became livid! All sorts of horrors were supposed.

Hallo! A great deal of steam! The pudding was out of the copper. A smell like a washing day! That was the cloth. A smell like an eating house and a pastry cook's next door to each other, with a laundress's next door to that! That was the pudding! In half a minute Mrs. Cratchit entered— flushed, but smiling proudly with the pudding, like a speckled cannon ball, so hard and firm, blazing in half of half a quartern of ignited brandy, and bedight with Christmas holly stuck into the top.

Oh, a wonderful pudding! Bob Cratchit said, and calmly, too, that he regarded it as the greatest success achieved by Mrs. Cratchet since their marriage. Mrs. Cratchit said that, now the weight was off her mind, she would confess she had her doubts about the quantity of flour. Everybody had something to say about it, but nobody said or thought it was at all a small pudding for a large family. It would have been flat heresy to do so. Any Cratchit would have blushed to hint at such a thing.

At last the dinner was all done, the cloth was cleared, the hearth swept, and the fire made up. The compound in the jug being tasted, and considered perfect, apples and oranges were put upon the table, and a shovelful of chestnuts on the fire. Then all the Cratchit family drew round the hearth in what Bob Cratchit called a circle, meaning half a one; and at Bob Cratchit's elbow stood the family display of glass,—two tumblers and a custard cup without a handle.

These held the hot stuff from the jug, however, as well as golden goblets would have done; and Bob served it out with beaming looks, while the chestnuts on the fire sputtered and cracked noisily. Then Bob proposed:—

"A Merry Christmas to us all, my dears, God bless us!"

Which all the family reechoed.

"God bless every one!" said Tiny Tim, the last of all.

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Hokus—"Do you expect to spend a pleasant Christmas?"

Pokus—"I ought to. That's about all I have left to spend."

AEROPLANE CHICKENS

"When I order poultry from you again," said the man who quarrelled with his provision dealer, "I don't want you to send me any of those aeroplane chickens."

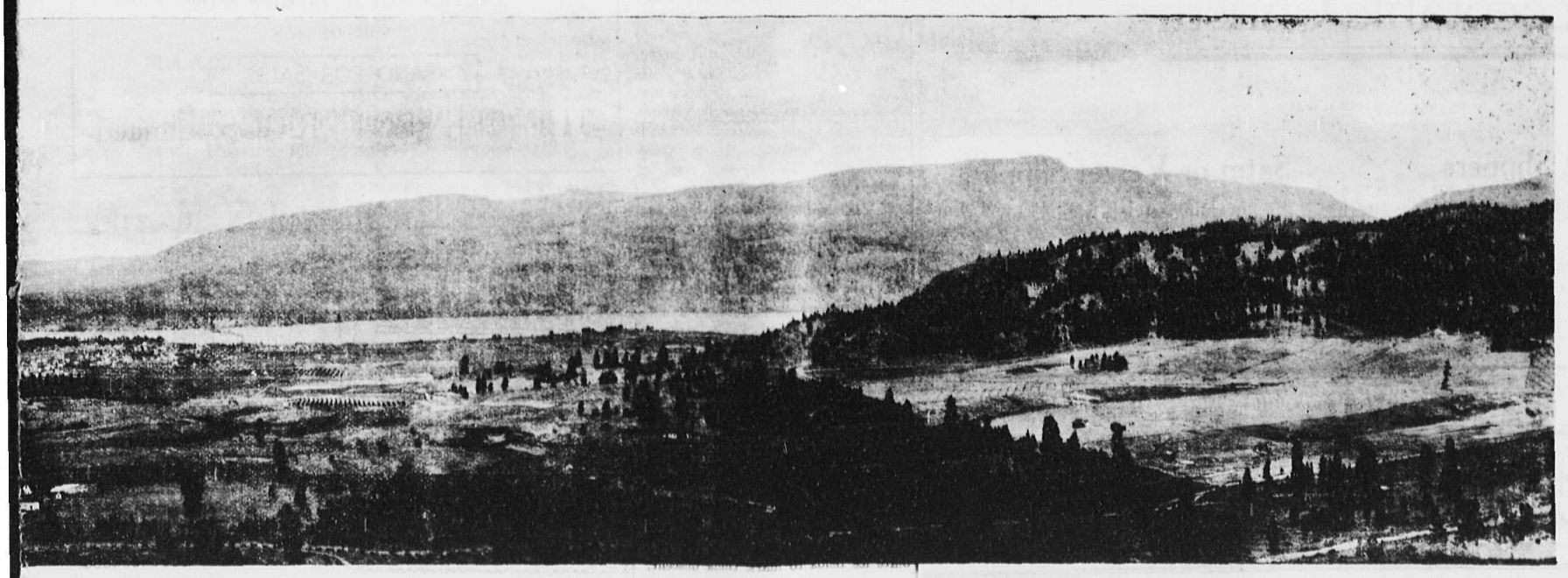
"What kind do you mean?"

"The sort that are all wings and machinery, and no meat."

HE KNEW THEM

The president of a small college was visiting, during the Christmas vacation the little town that had been his former home, and had been asked to address an audience of his former neighbors. In order to assure them that his career had not caused him to put on airs, he began his address thus:

"My dear friends,—I won't call you ladies and gentlemen—I know you too well to say that!"



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AGRICULTURE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

The last of the census bulletins dealing with agricultural statistics of the western provinces, gathered in connection with the census of June 1, 1911, was issued recently. It deals with British Columbia.

The bulletin shows that farm holdings of 50 acres and under increased from 2,086 in 1901 to 11,000 in 1911. The number of the holdings over 50 acres were 4,653 in 1901 as against 7,467 in 1911. The development of the fruit industry is no doubt responsible for the rapid increase in the number of small holdings.

Land in field crops increased from 171,424 acres in 1900 to 239,820 acres in 1911. The number of acres under crops in 1910 was 214,069, being an increase in the area under field crops in ten years of 42,645 acres. The land under orchard and nursery increased from 7,507 acres in 1901 to 33,606 acres in 1911; land in vegetables increased from 2,840 acres to 9,213 acres land in vineyards increased from 18 acres to 309 acres.

The total value of the field crops, $9,419,281 as against $3,563,721 in 1900, being an average per holding for the last census of $520.88 as compared with $524.73 in the previous one. Large acreage represented by non-bearing fruit trees, indicates the setting out of new orchards and, not being producing, the consequence is that the average value of the farm products per holding is kept down.

The value of the livestock sold in 1910 was $3,296,447, which is an increase of $2,925,853, or 656 per cent., over the figures of ten years ago. The value of the animals slaughtered on the farm rose from $207,397 in 1901 to $413,614 in 1911.

The value of the dairy products, which was reported at $1,159,993 in 1901, increased to $2,629,495 in 1911. This was an increase in the value of wool of $10,173, and of eggs $601,241.

When you attend right strictly to business and control your temper you don't have any time to get into any quarrels.

A novel use has been found for the waste liquor from sulphite pulp mills, as a binder for cinders and similar materials useh in the construction of tennis courts.

TO LIVE A HUNDRED YEARS

The trouble is that it involves giving up coffee, and there are some people who think that a century without coffee would, in King Charles' words, be "an unconscionable time a-dying". But perhaps the coffee clause in the Japanese recipe for living a century is not one of the most important. The first essential of this eastern specific for longevity is to get married. Here, too, there are confirmed old bachelors who will declare that sixty years of single blessednesss is better worth while than a cycle of wedded bliss.

But they are in the minority and may be set off against the confirmed spinsters who, forgetting the examples set them by their mothers, view all men with aversion. Happy married life makes for placidity and repose, and these are things, which in turn, make for long life. Then you must sleep at least seven hours in a dark room and the windows must be kept wide open. The hour of going to bed should be an early one; early too should be the rising. East and west agree on the wisdom of the old couplet:

Early to bed and early to rise
Makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise.

The Japanese favor moderation as warmly as did Aristotle of old who set virtue in the mean between extremes. They bid us shrink from all excess of passion; from anger which consumes and bitterness that corrodes; from joy and sorrow save in such restraint as makes the person who experiences them their master. The emotions should not be allowed to manifest themselves in the face.

Nor should we work too much, nor think too much. Eating should be indulged in moderation, especially in hot weather. The Japanese are as earnest believers in living in the open as any Dr. Goler among us. Frequent bathing in another of their pet beliefs. They believe in the taking of baths twice a day, or even more frequently. But first and last they counsel the way of matrimony as the way of health." It is not good for man to be alone"—no nor woman either.

Legumes are the only agricultural plant known which have the power of taking nitrogen from the air and converting it into combinations that other plants can use.

AMATEUR WIRELESS OPERATORS

The London Post makes the announcement that the police and other officials are keeping observation upon all unofficial wireless installations, especially those of a portable nature.

It seems that wireless enthusiasts in the old country are considerably on the increase, and now number nearly 1,500. The post office have no wish to prevent the making of experiments, provided they are made without interfering with or purposely tapping the wireless services of the country. The experimenter is pledged not to divulge any information that comes his way. Reference to this is made in the special licenses issued by the Postmaster-General since 1901 to persons wishing to run their own wireless telegraphy systems for experimental purposes only. For this license—which was designed for wireless apparatus fitted to a private house—a fee of one guinea a year is charged.

During the past few months, however, there has been a considerable demand by experimenters for permission to fit up apparatus at a distance from their homes with which they can then communicate in carrying out their experiments. As a license issued for a wireless apparatus is a legal document such as is not usually carried in the pocket, the post office is now issuing a handy little authority card for use with the portable apparatus. By Act of Parliament the police and certain postal officials have power which they are frequent exercising of determining whether a person using a wireless apparatus has the required authority.

If an amateur wireless operator is found to be without a licence when operating at his home, or of an authority card when controlling a portable apparatus, of divulges any messages he may pick up, he may be summoned and severely fined or imprisoned. It is also stipulated that licence holders shall keep clear of all coast stations and not go beyond five or ten miles of their homes.

One hundred laying hens can be kept on each acre of a full grown orchard without interfering with the regular operations. Four hundred laying hens can be kept on each acre of a newly set orchard. The average experienced poultryman can make from one to two dollars net per year per hen, while some may increase this income materially.

A BATTLE IN THE ALPS

It very often happens that the chamois of the Swiss Alps have to defend their young against the firece attacks of eagles. Generally the little mountain goat, after a brave struggle succumbs to the cruel beak and sharp claws of their enemy. A contribution to the "Taglichen Rundsschauj', of Zurich, tell of one of these battles that resulted more happily for the chamois.

The observer, a Swiss mountain guide, was returning home one evening down a steep mountain pass, when he saw above him on the rocks two chamois with their young. Over then a huge, full grown eagle was circling The chamois evidently hoped to find safety in flight, for they came bounding down the rocks towards the spot where the guide had hidden himself.

Before they could escape, however, the eagle came swooping after them and seized one of the young chamois that had lagged behind.

Immediately the two old chamois turned and attacked the bird so fiercely that he had to drop the little animal he had seized in his claws. The momentary advantage that the chamois had gained did not last long, however, for the eagle began rending and tearing them with cruel strokes of his long talons. Now that the fight had actually begun, the chamois would not retreat but bravely stood their ground. The young trembling with fear, and bleating piteously crouched against their parents and unwittingly hampered their defence.

Every time the eagle swooped down on the group the two older chamois rising on their hind legs offered their horns. The long deep scratches and the dripping blood that appeared after each attack showed that the battle was telling on them, although with each swoop, too, a cloud of feathers and the eagle's raucous cries showed that the chamois' little harns were also finding their mark. After each attack the eagle would return to a near-by rock, where he sat gazing with his beady eyes at the group below. Then he would swoop again.

Soon the fierce encounter began to exhaust the chamois. The little ones were bleating more and more anxiously, and the animals were all pressing more closely together. The older ones were clearly less alert.

Finally, after the eagle had taken a particularly long rest, he came swooping down again. The mother goat struggled to get upon her hind legs, but was too week to raise herself. As the eagle came on, however, the chamois buck rose to meet it. There was a flash of clawing talons. Then, with a sudden visions thrust, the chamois dug his horns into the breast of the great bird. With a wild beating of its wings, the eagle freed itself and tried to fly away. But the wound was too deep. He thrashed helplessly on the ground, and the chamois, quick to follow up their advantage, gored and tramples it with their horns and hoof.

When their enemy was quite dead the little family, limping and nursing their wounds, made off beyond a projecting cliff.

THE GLACIERS OF ALASKA

Alaska glaciers were probably first known as the result of Captain Cook's expeditions in 1778 and 1794, some of the maps of the early voyages showing that certain of the bays and fiords were ended by vertical walls of ice, from which blocks fell into the sea. In more recent years discussions of these huge glaciers have been given in the reports of Dall, Gilbert, Tarr, Brooks, Grant, Mendenhall, Martin and others of the United States geological survey and in the publications of such organizations as the National Geographic Society and the Harriman Alaska expedition.

Much valuable date and important measurements of glaciers in the United States, Alaska and elsewhere have been brought together from time to time, and it is probably the general impression that since the vast ice sheet which covered the northern part of North America began its retreat the glaciers of the continent have been continually shrinking. It is therefore interesting to note that some of these Alaskan glaciers are progressing and growing larger rather than retrogressing, many huge forests being upturned and devastated by the irresistible advance of the ice. In other glaciers, the retreat within a period of ten years has been more than a mile. The great magnitude of some of these glaciers is seen in the descriptions, Slowly moving down the mountain valleys, some of them steeply pitched which indicate the height of the tidal ice cliffs that form the termini of the glaciers as being from 300 to 400 feet. and others relatively flat, these stupendous areas gradually reach the base leaving nothing but a path of desolate ice fields to mark theis descent.

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TOWN AND COUNTRY NOTES

Rev. Robert W. Lee of Summerland will preach in the Methodist Church next Sabbath morning and evening.

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Mr. Jim Sayers left Monday morning for Vancouver.

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Mr. Darrel Wade returned to Kamloops on Tuesday, after spending the past week here.

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Mr. McLeod, bookkeeper with P. Burns & Co., left yesterday for a few weeks' holiday in the east.

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Mrs. A. L. Soames left this week for the Old Country. She lately received the sad tidings of the death of her mother there.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. Kelenberger left on Tuesday morning's boat for Pasadena, Calif., where they will spend the winter.

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Miss B. Birch, dressmaker is moving this week from the Morrison block to Graham street, off Bernard avenue, east of Ethel street. Ladies please note.

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Mr. H. F. Rees, manager of the Royal Bank left this week for a six-week's holiday in Nova Scotia. Mrs. Rees accompanied him. His place will be filled temporarily by Mr. A. W. Heiter.

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The wrestling match arranged between Clarence Eklund and Sam Clapham, the English light-heavyweight champion, takes place tomorrow night in Vernon.

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The Benevolent Society ask that those who wish to send donations for the Xmas baskets, would leave same at Mrs. Rowcliffe's on or before Tuesday, December 23rd at noon.

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At a general meeting of the Kelowna Merchant's Association last Wednesday the following officers were elected for the year 1914: President, K. F. Oxley; Vice President, G. A. McKay; Secretary, C. H. Jackson: Directors, Messrs. A. M. Dalgleish, J. Ball, Joseph Casorso, G. S. McKenzie and R. F. Morrison.

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"Wid" Thompson is laid up with a broken leg and other less serious injuries sustained while working a stump puller on Mr. Thompson's land recently purchased from Martin Renshaw on the Black Mountain road. The accident occurred last Thursday, the lever of the capstan to which a team was attached slipped back suddenly striking Wid across the legs with terrific force. We are glad to learn that he is making satisfactory progress.

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Knowles engrosses articles with one letter free of charge.

Don't forget the School Concert tomorrow night in the Opera House.

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Mr. A. O. Buffon, brother-in-law of Mrs. Lewis, widow of the late F. E. Lewis, arrived yesterday from Red Deer, Alberta.

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Mr. Geo. Schell left on Tuesday to spend the winter among friends and relatives in the vicinity of Syracuse, N. Y. He will also spend some time in New York City.

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An object of unusual interest to the boys this week has been a life-size wooden horse which the Kelowna Implement Co., have placed in the window of their new store for purposes of harness display.

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The deputation appointed to interview Premier McBride and the Minister of Public Works on the question of Mission Creek, consisting of Mayor Jones, and Messrs. W. A. Scott, John Casorso and M. Hereron left Tuesday morning for Victoria.

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The twenty-five dollar gold watch, the prize in Mr. J. B. Knowles' annual watch-guessing contest was won this year by Joe Bouvette, whose figures were 36 hours, 30 minutes and 25 seconds.

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A spray of roses picked from the Central Okanagan Land Co.'s ranch in Glenmore was brought into the office this week. This, however is not uncommon, as owing to the unusually mild weather this year, roses and other summer flowers too may be seen blooming merrily in various parts of the town and district.

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Under the proprietorship of Messrs. Anderson and Fegarres the new roller skating rink opened its doors last evening to a merry throng of enthusiasts. The gateway onto the floor swung open at 7.30 and to the strains of music from the electric band organ in the balcony, a large crowd passed onto the floor for the first time. The new rink is well lighted and prettily decorated. In one corner is a large skate room, where also ample accommodations are made for the checking of wraps. Merriment prevailed from 7.30 until 10 o'clock when the bell called the skaters to a halt, and all wended their way homeward happy, but many found the ambling hard on account of successive arguments with the skates, in which the skates usually won the fall.

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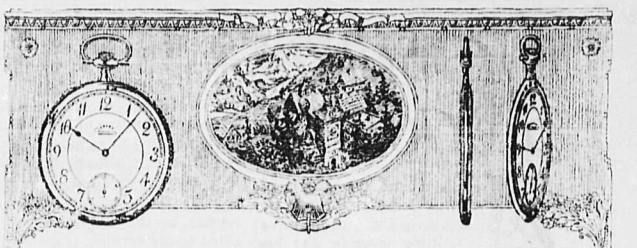
BIRTH

BORN— Sunday December 7th to the wife of D. Chapman, a daughter.

REBEL ARMY ADVANCING TOWARD CAPITAL OF MEXICO

General Francisco ("Pancho,") Villa, rebel chieftain who has led the Constitutionalist troops to many victories over the Federals, snapped as he was about to depart at the head of a column to take possession of Chihuahua, evacuated by the Federals as soon as they heard of the rebel advance. Villa and Carranza are concentrating their armies at Chihuahua for an advance on Mexico City, where Villa says he will eat his Christmas dinner.

According to Villa, who is a very business-like person, (he used to be a bandid before he became a "Constitutionalist". The rebel army will total 20,000 men when the start for Mexico City takes place. If Villa's prediction proves correct, the biggest battle since the Profiirio Diaz adbicated, is due to take place shortly. Villa says that besides the men he will take to Mexico City, rebels from the south will join him outside the capital, greatly strengthening the Constitutionalist army. It is possible that Presidente Constitutional Don Victoriano Huerta will not wait for a battle to take place if he observes that the Villa-Carranza army actually totals 20,000 and that the southern rebels are about to ally themselves with the two northern leaders. He may conclude to absent himself from Mexico. It would be very dangerous for Mr. Huerta to fall intothe hands of Carranza or Villa, for he probably would be executed as a traitor.



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Christmas Legends

ALL around the season of the Coming of Love as a little Child there have sprung legends and beliefs, like blossoms in a gracious clime, which testify with subtlety to the depth of the appeal of the birth of Christ. Here divinely spiritual symbolism and there sweet human tenderness and pathos appear, and, blended, they evidence the world's belief that this was both Son of Man and Son of God.

An Irish legend tells that, on Christmas eve, the Christ-Child wanders out in the darkness and cold, and the peasants still put lighted candles in their windows to guide the sacred little feet, that they may not stumble on their way to their homes. And in Hungary the people go yet further in their tenderness for the Child, they spread feasts and leave their doors open that He may enter at His will, while throughout Christendom there is a belief that no evil can touch any child who is born on Christmas eve.

The legend which tells how the very hay which lined the manger in which the Holy Babe was laid put forth living *red blossoms at midwinter at the* touch of the Babe's body could only have arisen from belief in the renewal of life through the Lord of Life.

The Holy Thorn.

IT is not so many centuries ago since there was that holy thorn at Glastonbury which blossomed every Christmas, and, so ran the legend, had done ever since St. Joseph of Arimathea, having come as apostle to Britain, and, landing at Glastonbury, had stuck his staff of dry hawthorn into the soil, commanding it to put forth leaves and blossoms. This the staff straightway did, and thereby was the king converted to the Christian faith, the faith which preached life from death.

The holy thorn of Glastonbury flourished during the centuries until the civil wars. During those it was uprooted; but several persons had had trees growing from cuttings from the original tree, and those continued to bloom at the Christ-season, just as their parent, which had grown from St. Joseph's staff, had bloomed. And about the middle of the 18th century it was recorded in the Gentleman's Magazine how the famous holy thorn would not deign to recognize the new style calendar, which had then come into force but would persist in blossoming as of old on old Christmas day!

In those days the anniversary of the advent of the Babe had certainly meant more to the common people than merely a time for feasting and revelry, for giving and receiving; it had been also a season for holy observances, for they refused to go to church on New Christmas day, the holy thorn not being then in blossom. So serious became the trouble that the clergy found it prudent to announce that Old Christmas day should also be kept sacred as before. Only another story of men's weak, superstitious minds? True, perhaps; but they are better who evidence some spiritual weakness than those who wallow in the wholly material, and when we cease to be careful of the cup and the platter, we become not over careful of their contents.

The First Christmas Rose.

ANOTHER of those spiritual parables is the legend of the Christmas rose, and it tells how good things, fit for giving, spring up ready to the hand which earnestly desires to give to the Child. It is said that a certain maiden of Bethlehem was so poor that she had nothing to give to the Babe to whom kings brought wealth from afar, and, as she stood, longing and mourning, and angel appeared to her, saying: "Look at thy feet, beneath the snow," and lo! on obeying the maiden found that a new flower had miraculously sprung up and blossomed at her needs. Every since then, runs this story, this exquisite flower, with its snowy petals just touched by suggestions of pinkish bloom, is to be found at this season; and, indeed, its half-opened cups are like chalices of love, and its fully-spread petals are like a happy innocence, fit symbols for the gifts for the Babe of spotless innocence, whose heart was the vessel of love.

Christmas Eve Legends.

THERE are several exceedingly touching legends concerning bells, which are heard ringing from buried cities and villages at this season. One belongs to a village near Raleigh, in Nottinghamshire, and the story runs that once, where there is now but a valley, there was a village which, with every trace of life and habitation, had been swallowed by an earthquake; but ever since, at Christmas, the bells of the buried church are heard to ring as of old.

A similar legend is told of Preston, in Lancashire, and yet another and more moving one comes from the Netherlands. It is said that the city of Been was notorious for its black and shameless sins, as well as renowned for its beauty and magnificence. To the Sodom of the middle ages came our Savior on one anniversary of his birth, and went as a beggar from door to door, but not one in all that Christmas keeping city gave the Master of the abundance. Sin he saw rampant on every side, but not a trace of Christmas bounty and good will, and he called to the sea, which, as of old, obeyed his voice, and Been, the city of sin, was buried deep, clean out of sight, beneath the waves. But ever at Christmas up from beneath the covering waters comes the sweet calling of church bells buried in Been. It is a legend which appears to tell in parable that nothing which ever belonged to the Christ, and was dedicated to his service, is ever wholly lost from him and alienated from service; that ever and again something of their inherent beauty and compelling sweetness rises from the depths through all seeming ruin.

The Manger.

TRADITION declares that within the stone manger there was another one of wood, and that the stone cradle in the Chapel of the Nativity is, indeed, the outer manger. Splendid is that humble stone trough now with white marble, softly rich with costly draperies, and radiant with a silver star, which is surrounded by 16 lamps, ever a-lit. But yet more glorious is the wooden manger at Rome, held to be the veritable manger in which the Christ-child lay. It was removed to Rome in the seventh century, during the Mohammedan invasion of the Holy Land, and there it is preserved in a strong brazen chest, from which it is brought forth on Christmas days, *when it is placed on the* Grand Altar. It is mounted upon a stand of silver, which is inlaid with gold and gems, and the shrine in which it rests is of purest rock crystal. In the days in which this was accomplished men, whatsoever may have been their shortcomings in other directions, gave magnificently to the Church Visible.

Christmas Bells.

TRADITION says that the hour of the Babe's birth was the hour of midnight, and legend adds that from then until dawn cocks crow. In Ireland it is held that whoso looks into a mirror on this eve will see the devil or Judas Iscariot looking over his shoulder, surely thought sufficient to drive the hardiest soul to a thought of the innocent Babe.

Another legend tells that, on Christmas eve, Judas Iscariot is released from that hell—"his own place"—and is allowed to return to earth that he may cool himself in icy waters.

Wild and improbable although such and such legends appear on their faces, they bear study and repay it, for we then see that they are full of subtle spiritual expression, as it were; that they are parables of certain spiritual facts, and it will be ill for us should the Christmas day ever dawn on which such flowers of tender faith and wonder shall appear to us no more than dry curious specimens from the dead roots of superstition.

What Christmas Means.

Christmas means hope and its realization. The child grows eagerly expectant as the time approaches for the visit of Santa Claus. While this fiction remains unquestioned, the imagination opens new and wider worlds, and ideals become so much a part of the mind that the prosaic and commonplace can never crush them. Until the youth reaches manhood and independence, Christmas is the happiest day of the year. Its gifts and hearty good cheer impress family affection, parental thoughtfulness and brotherly love. The dullest and most irresponsive of fathers and mothers are uplifted to a vision of higher life by the interchanges of souvenirs and the merry meeting with children and grandchildren at the table and fireside. Few can escape and all enjoy the meaning of the festival, the lessons it conveys and the inspiration it gives, and we enter upon a brighter future and a fuller appreciation of the beneficence of the practice of faith, hope and charity. The loved ones who have crossed to the other side, the loved near and far who are still with us, the old homestead with its precious memories, the old church whose sacred associations tie together childhood, maturity and age, love, marriage and death; the schoolhouse where the beginnings of education were so painful, and the ever-increasing pleasures of the pursuit of learning through the high school, academy and college are recalled and recited, and there is exquisite delight in these oft-told tales, and new experiences enliven this blessed anniversary.—Leslie's Weekly.

First Christmas Observance.

Christmas gets its name from the mass celebrated in the early days of the Christian church in honor of the birth of Christ, its first solemnization having been ordered by Pope Telesphorus. This was in or before the year 138, for in that year Pope Telesphorus died.

At first Christmas was what is known as a movable feast, just as Easter is now, and owing to misunderstandings was celebrated as late as April or May. In the fourth century an ecclesiastical investigation was ordered, and upon the authority of the tables of the censors in the Roman archives December 25 was agreed upon as the date of the Savior's nativity. Tradition fixed the hour of birth at about midnight, and this led to the celebration of a midnight mass in all the churches, a second at dawn and a third in the later morning

Christmas

By ALFRED TENNYSON

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying clouds, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night—
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new—
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress for all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manner, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place of blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust for gold,
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,—
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

LAYING KEEL OF NEW BRITISH CHALLENGER

Since it was officially decided that there should be another international yacht race, there has been considerable activity on both sides of the Atlantic preparatory to the big race.

Sir Thomas Lipton, the popular English sportsman, who for several years past has been contending for another chance at the cup, was especially delighted with the decision of the New York Yacht Club to allow the cup to be contested for and no one has been more active that he in the effort to produce a boat that will do credit to England.

This picture shows the laying of the keel of the British challenger for the international yachting cup now held by the New York Yacht Club. Sir Thomas is seen pouring the first ladle full of metal.

The Spirit of Christmas.

There is hardly a festival in the calendar which has such a hold on the hearts of old and young alike as Christmas Day. The ring of the car bells and the voices upon the streets seem to take on a more cheery tone, and the spirit of the time seems to throw a glamour over places and things which ordinarily are devoid of all beauty.

As it is with places, so it is with people. They, too, not only seem to change, but the transformation does take place in millions of hearts to a greater or less degree. The spirit of Christmas even affects people who for the rest of the year are devoid of sentiment and of feeling for their fellows. The most interesting stories of Christmastide are those which will never appear in print—true stories of men and women whose thoughts have been only of their own selfish aims and pleasures, but have been awakened, if only for a day or two, from their usual self-complacency, moved by some force of which they are only half-conscious to do some act of kindness *to make the day happier* for someone less fortunate than themselves in a worldly way.—The Christian Herald.

The Christmas Spirit.

But don't you see that there is a Santa Claus! He isn't a man in a fur coat, and a reindeer sleigh and all that, but he is the Spirit of Christmas, isn't he? They've personified that and made a saint of him and invented legends about him—for the children, but when we're no longer children and don't believe in him, we still have that Christmas spirit—and it's that that gives presents and makes us feel toward one another, and makes Christmas what it is.—Harvey J. O'Higgins.

Christmas Customs.

It is interesting to trace the origin of festival customs to those connected with Druidical superstitions of classic observances, and it will surprise many to learn that present-day sports very closely resemble the celebrations observed of old in honor of Saturn or Bacchus.

The Roman Saturnalia, which occurred in the winter solstice, were a season of great festivity and rejoicing, honored by many privileges and exemptions. The spirit of gaiety had free charter, and even quarrels were suspended, to be resumed after the holidays.

As a manifestation of the gratitude felt at the renewed prospects of the returning march of the sun, gifts were exchanged and special hymns were sung. These latter were really the Roman representatives of the modern carol.

At the Saturnalia the Roman feasted, sang and danced, as we do at Christmas. A ruler or king was appointed, who enjoyed certain prerogatives. He presided over the sports of the season. Probably he is the ancestor of the lord of misrule, who exercised a similar power in more recent times.

Merriment was a matter of general concern, and the joyous spirit of entire districts is now narrowed to family parties.

It is the touch that makes the whole world kin, and it is a pleasant reminder that, after all, history repeats itself.

Not Blessed.

The presents you forget to give to others who don't forget to give to you are not so blessed.

Buy Your Xmas Candies

where you can get the Freshest, Nicest and Best grades obtainable. We have a very nice and large assortment of **Rowntree's** and **Clarnico** Almond Paste and Marzipan, High-Class **Dessert Bon Bons**, at **75c.** per lb., or **$2.40** for a box of 4 lbs.

A Real Beautiful, well-assorted and properly-filled

Box of Chocolates

in the shape of a

Work Basket, Glove Box, Handkerchief Box, &c.

is a beautiful Christmas Gift in itself and our stock of them is unsurpassing and worth seeing before buying elsewhere.

Stockings and Crackers

Our Stock of Christmas Tree Chocolate Animals Father Christmas on Donkey, Candy-Filled Toys, Lucky Tubs, &c., are absolutely the best in the city, at prices from **5c.** to **$2.50.**

Pipes and Tobaccos

We also have a very fine assortment of **Meerschaum** and **Briar** Pipes in cases, Cigar and Cigarette Tubes, Tobacco **Pouches,** Tobacco Jars, **Smokers' Trays** and **Cigars** in Fancy Christmas Packages.

Dolls

25 per cent. Discount

We have a few Dolls and Toys to be cleared.

Xmas Candy Mixture

This Special Christmas Candy Mixture at **20c.** per lb., is worth getting.

Free Free

With every 25c. purchase made we will give a numbered ticket, entitling the purchaser to a free chance on the following

Three Prizes

First ticket drawn wins the **Giant Xmas Stocking** worth **$12.** (This stocking stands 5-ft. high).

Second ticket drawn wins a large **Sleeping Doll**, worth **$5.**

Third ticket drawn wins large **Father Xmas Cracker,** worth **$2.**

Drawing for the above Free Prizes will take place at our store

Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, 12 o'clock

noon. See window for the results.

N.B.—When making purchases be sure to get your ticket or tickets.

HOMEMADE CANDIES, Always Fresh

For the BEST (the Best Cost No More), go to

Alsgard's

The Confectioner

Our Store is Brimful of Opportunities for the Economical Buyer

If You Want a Bargain

AND ESPECIALLY

An Overcoat Bargain

such as you often read about but seldom get—you should come to this store where one dollar does the work of two—and where prices have almost fifty per cent of saving in them. Our stock of Overcoats is full of good things—and we are selling them.

MEN'S OVERCOATS

$30.00 and **$28.50** values **$20.00**
$27.50, $25.00, $24.00 values **$16.50**
$23.00 $22.00, $20.00 values **$13.50**
$18.00, $17.00, $15.00 values **$10.50**
$13.50, $12.50 values **$8.50**

All Sizes

HERE is a crowded newsy page of **Big Honest Values** in Christmas Gifts we are able to offer because we sell for Spot Cash, and lose nothing through bad debts.

We are showing gifts appropriate for every member of the family---father, mother, brother, sister, relatives, friends and sweethearts---and with the selection as varied and attractive and the prices as small and economical, Christmas Shopping and Gift Selecting at this store should not only be a pleasure to yourself, but a joy everlasting to your Purse.

Great Value Giving in Dressy Christmas Clothes for Boys

There are two parties to be suited—the Boy himself, and his parents, Our experience in catering to the little fellows has taught us how to meet the demands of this trade—at a saving that no prudent parent can overlook.

Boys Suits up to **$5.00** **$3.75**
Boys Suits up to **$7.00** **$4.75**
Boys Suits up to **$8.50** **$5.95**
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All Sizes

Suit Cases and Trunks

For Christmas Gifts

They are a most suitable Christmas Present—especially for those who are going away on the holiday excursions. We have them in all sizes, and styles, and can suit not only your particular taste—but also your pocket book.

Prices from **$3.50** to **$20**

Dents Furlined Gloves for Men

Dent's fur-lined Gloves for men, Automobile Cuffs. Regular $4.50 values. Holiday Special

$3.50

Holiday Linens

Nicely Boxed if you wish, and Low Priced

No housekeeper ever had too many linens and there is nothing a woman will prize more.— We have prepared liberally for the great holiday demand for these goods, and are showing some extra good values. Our assortment comprises the following lines: Centre Pieces, Tray Cloths, Dresser Scarfs Pillow Shams, Lace Doylies, Five O'clock Tea Cloths, Side board Drapes, Embroidered Pillow Cases, Towels, Table Cloths and Napkins, Cushion Covers, Laundry Bags. See the handsome designs in our windows, and the prices speak for themselves.

Ladies' Dainty Neckwear

For Christmas Gifts

Fascinating little bits of dainties—how can we describe them?—In exquisite variety too—and customers haven't been a bit backward in telling us that our selection is not only by far the largest—but our prices are decidedly the lowest hereabouts. Yor must see the goods in order to appreciate the prices. To simply tell you that the prices range from 25c. to $2.00 without showing you the goods would not do the line justice.

A Rain or Shine Umbrella

is just the thing for a Christmas gift. We have them in great variety.

And all through the store similarly low prices prevail on the many different lines of goods suitable for Christmas Gifts

No Fancy Profits have entered here into the calculation of Prices on Holiday Goods

A Silk Waist

(price sacrificed) makes a Handsome Christmas Gift

Our offering presents practically every handsome style brought out this season. Some of these we received just recently—not more than a week ago—. They comprise many different varieties of Silk Weaves in beautiful up-to-date colorings. The original prices of these Waists, ranged from $4.50 to $8.50 each. For quick holiday selling we have them reduced in price—each one of them—so that you can buy them now from

$3.50 to **$6.50**

Men's Pure Silk Shirts, all sizes, from

$3.50 to **$4.50**

Christmas Handkerchiefs

For Less

Dainty Lawn and Cambric—as well as Pure Linen Handkerchief in plain Hemstitched edges, or embroidered edges *and corners, or fancy Lace edges and corners, etc., etc.* Really the gathering comprises most surprising values—and Holiday buyers will choose quickly—that's a certainty.

Prices **10c.** to **65c.**

Mens Pure Silk Handkerchiefs, in a large variety of patterns

Prices **50c., 65c., 75c.**

Men's Initial Linen Handkerchiefs, each

Each **25c.**

Ladies' Initial Linen Handkerchiefs, each

Each 25c.

Dolls, Dolls, Dolls

Such a lot of them—pretty, elegant, inexpensive German Dolls— direct from the fatherland, can't speak a word of English—but oh—they are pretty, especially to the eyes of your little ones, and they are so low priced too. Every little girl can afford to have one for Christmas.

25c., 35c., 50c., 75c., $1, $1.25

Christmas Ribbons in all their Glory

only they are down in price. Five-inch ribbons for 25 cents and narrower widths proportionately cheaper.

Gift Gloves

are very acceptable for Christmas

Stylish well-made gloves—in the various colorings that the season has brought forth—ready to give the finishing touch to the costume—at prices that are reasonable indeed—and each pair put up in a fancy Christmas box if you ask for it.—Isn't that an attractive combination?

KID GLOVES AND SUEDES

$1.25 and **$1.50** values at **$1.00**
$2.50 Fur-lined gloves **$1.75**
$2.50 Ladies' Suede Gauntlets **$1.75**

All Sizes

Eider Down Bed Comforters

A handsome Christmas Present and one desired by most any house wife.—They are made of pure sterilized Eider Down, dried by cold air—and covered either with silk, Satin or first quality Art Sateen, in beautiful designs and colorings.

Size **70** x **72** inches.

$7.50 Down Comforters **$5.75**
$10.00 Down Comforters **$7.75**
$13.50 Down Comforters **$9.25**

Women's Belts for Christmas Gifts

A pretty belt is the last touch that gives the finishing neatness to the figure—and we have a showing to delight the eyes of the wearers of them. They come at very little cost and yet—perhaps no other item of the dress will add so much effectiveness to the costume.

Prices **15c., 85c.,** and **$1.00.**

House Slippers for the Family

The time of their appreciation is at hand—we have a splendid assortment, and the prices speak for themselves.

Ladies' and Misses Wacouta Moccasin Slippers. Wool-lined, regular **$2.00** values **$1.50**

Ladies' Felt Romeos, fur trimmed, **$1.75** values **$1.25**

Ladies' and Children's Comfy Felt Slippers, **$1.25** values .... **95c.**

Make Yourself a Christmas Gift

of the best Suit of Clothes in our store for $19.50

We have set aside for this special occasion some **30** suits ranging in price from **$27.50** to **$35.00** and offer each one of them at a special holiday bargain at

$19.50

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They are the very best suits money can buy and come in a fine range of newest patterns and colorings.

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This wil be the Fastest and Most Sensational Match yet staged in Kelowna.

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Plan and Seat Sale at Crawford's Store.

Poultry Notes

CRATE FATTENING OF POULTRY

Practical experience has shown that crate feeding is not only a very satisfactory but also economical method of fattening poultry. The saving in the amount of feed required to produce one pound of gain is quite marked and the feeder is enabled to observe to greater advantage the progress being made by individual birds. He can also, if necessary, curtail the duration of the feeding period in the case of birds which have attained their maximum weight and are ready to be placed in the finishing crate.

Crate fattening cannot with success be carried on in a haphazard way. The feeder requires to understand the principles of what he is at and to give the necessary attention to the details of his work. In order to teach the proper methods of feeding poultry in crates the live stock commission at Ottawa has had prepared a seasonable illustrated pamphlet on the subject which explains clearly the construction of a fattening crate, the constituents and preparation of proper rations, the methods of feeding, killing and dressing birds and information regarding packing for market. The work which is designated in pamphlet No. 2 of the Live Stock Branch is available to all who apply for it while the edition lasts to the Publication Branch of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa.

COLOR IN EGGS

A professor at Liverpool has been carrying out some tests in regard to nutriment value of white and brown eggs. A number of eggs were selected which had been laid in one day on a mixed poultry farm. They were graded according to color, and then the eggs were carefully analysed in the laboratory. Nine-tenths of the contents of every egg is pure water and so of no food value whatever, but in the remaining portion is packed away some of the most nutritious food known. This was carefully analysed into its constituents, and the amount of fat, which is the really nutrient element, was estimated or weighed.

Some remarkable results were discovered. The darkest egg, one laid by a Buff Orpington, was found to contain ten per cent more fat that the lightest colored egg. Moreover, the amount of fat was found to increase with the deepening in color of the shell. A very big white egg might contain as much nutrition as a small brown one, but, weight for weight the darker egg was always the best.

The professor who has been carrying out the experiments seemed genuinely concerned about the chickens. "This fat is all the embryo has to live on," he said, "and it appears as if some of the chickens stand a much better chance of avoiding scragginess than others. They get a better start in life. But we shall probably find when we consult practical men that the dark eggs are laid by the bigger breeds of birds, and thus the chickens which had most nourishment in the egg grows up to be the biggest fowl."

PROVINCIAL POULTRY CONVENTION

The Provincial Poultry Association at its convention at Grand Forks selected Vernon for the next Provincial show. The officers for next year are G. Hoestead, Nelson, president; H. Reid, Victoris, vice-president; executive, E. B. Cale, Central Park; J. McMullen, Port Haney; W. Moore, Vernon, and W. Haggs, Vancouver Island. The convention was the best attended ever held in the province. Large audiences were present at all poultry lectures.

KING WINS PRIZE FOR CATTLE.

His Majesty the King has again been most successful as an exhibitor at the Smithfield cattle show, sweeping the board in the Devon cattle classes and taking the silver cup for the best Herford. The King paid a brief visit to the show before going to Chatsworth with the Queen.

First Hobo.—Have you travelled very much?

Second Hobo.—Yes, extensively!

First Hobo.—How do you like Turkey?

Second Hobo.—With cranberry sauce!

Enthusiast (at Christmas party) "We shall hear more of this young man."

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We will also give 1000 Votes on every Dollar Paid on Account from now until the End of the Year

We have decided to add still more prizes to the present list, so get in and win one of them.

See new prize list in our window Monday, December 22nd.

Morrison - Thompson Hardware Company, Ltd.

Christmas Worry

Is at hand. All want to give. It is what to give that worries. Let us do the worrying for you. Our stock affords gifts for every member of the family.

Christmas Folly

lies in delaying purchases until the assortments are broken; in finally buying in haste at thelast moment.

Christmas Joy

goes with the suitable, well-chosen gift. We have an excellent assortment of articles that are sure to please—the kind with art, beauty, and utility in them.

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Kelowna, B. C.

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PHONE 19

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Application for the lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the leasee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion lands.

W. W. CORY.

Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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Splendid farm property close to Kelowna, comprising 21 acres (5 acres in orchard, pears, plums and prunes, balance in meadow). Finest soil, free irrigation. Splendid location, good house with good well. Team, implements, and household effects, with quantity of feed can also be included in sale. The terms spread over three years. Further information can be given at Record office. x

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FOR SALE— At J. C. Stockwell's auction rooms.—1 single horse wagon, 1 buggy, 1 set wagon springs, 1 horse blanket, 1 log chain, 1 set work harness, 2 sets single work harness, 7 sections poultry fence, 1 one-horse plow, 1 one-horse cultivator, 1 Planet-Junior seeder and attachments, 1 22-calibre rifle. x

FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD EFfects for sale. Minns, next to last house south on Abbot street. Also Wheel $10.00 4

FOR SALE.—Dry cord wood, pine and fir, guaranteed dry, $2.50 per rick delivered. P. O. Box 449. 'Phone 2206. 3tf.

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OUND—adrift a small sail boat. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses. Box,"S M" Record. 51tf.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT CANADA

Canadians, as a rule, know too little of their own country. To know Canada, even in a general way, from coast to coast and from the boundary to the northern limits of settlement, is a big order, but it is one to which every citizen of this country should apply himself. The study of the Dominion is not only interesting; it is decidedly profitable. It increases the pride of the reader in his own land, and it reveals to him possibilities of which he has never dreamed, but which he may himself realize— if he will.

These remarks are suggested by the receipt of a volumn entitled. "The Western Provinces of Canada," which contains as much solid information concerning the great territory in which are included, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, as can be crowded into 112 pages of closely printed but very readable matter. The book contains detailed information concerning the provinces mentioned, covering such points as area, climate, precipitation, products, etc. Thiere are tables showing the grain production every year since 1901, and the average prices of wheat, oats, barley and flax for the last six years. The plan of Western land survey is explained; the homestead regulations are included, and a ast amount of information concerning the raising of live-stock and other branches of diversified farming. A full explanation is also given of the Canadian Pacific Railway's policy of selling lands to actual farmers on wenty-year terms, and assisting with a loan for improvements to the extent of $2,000.

The book, which is illustrated with wenty photographs and a 15 x 30 map of the western provinces, has just been issued in a second annual edition of 100,000, of which 200,000 have een shipped to Great Britain, and nother 100,000 will be distributed hrough the C.P.R. Montreal office.

This book will be sent free, postage aid, to any reader of this paper who vill write for it to the Publicity Branch, department of natural resources, Canadian Pacific Railway, Calgary, Alta. If you have friends in other ountries whom you would like to interest in Canada, copies will be sent to them free upon request to the above address.

MISCELLANEOUS

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Good pasturage at Hesdon Ranch, three miles from town. S. K. L., Co. Apply to R. S. HALL 42tf.

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Including waists for children from 1 to 14 years. Mrs. J. H. Davies will be at Mrs. Mathie's (over tailor shop, Pendozi street) between the hours of 1.30 and 6 p.m., Saturdays of each week. ('Phone 196.) to meet ladies wishing to order corsets. P. O. Box 626. 48-5

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PRICE LIST

Beef Scrap, per lb.	$ .06	Oats (Standard Heavy) per 100 lbs.	1.50
Beef Scrap, per 100 lbs.	5.00	Oats (Flatted) per 100 lbs...	1.60
Ground Bone, per lb.	.05	Oil Meal Cake, per 100 lbs. .	2.00
Ground Bone, per 100 lbs ...	4.00	Rolled Oats (Robin Hood	
Barley, per 100 lbs.	1.55	in 8s	.35
Bran, per 100 lbs	1.35	in 20s	.70
Chop (Barley), per 100 lbs	1.50	in 40s	1.35
Chop, (Wheat and Barley) per 100 lbs.	1.80	Shorts (B. & K.) per 100...	1.50
Chop, (Oats and Barley) per 100 lbs	1.60	Wheat, per 100 lbs $1.70 and	$1.85
Corn (Whole) per lb.	.03	Flour— Five Roses.—	
Corn, per 100 lbs	2.50	49 lb. sack	1.75
Corn, (Cracked), per lb. ...	.03	98 lb. sack	3.45
Corn, (Cracked) per 100 lbs.	2.55	Robin Hood, 49 lb. sack ...	1.75
Ground Shell, per lb.	.2½	Robin Hood, 98 lb. sack ...	3.45
Ground Shell, per 100 lbs....	2.25	Prairie Pride Patent, 49 lb. sack	1.65
Molassine Meal, per 100 lbs.	3.00	98 lb. sack	3.20
		Graham, 49 lb. sack	1.65

Ton and half-ton lots at $2.00 per ton less than above prices

We give 5 per cent. Discount for spot cash on all flour and feed purchases.

Christmas will Soon be Here

and the children, family and friends, will be looking forward to the usual season's remembrances of love and goodwill. Don't make the mistake of leaving your purchases too late. Buy now while you have time to look around

We have a large stock of

Dolls and Toys

25 per cent. off to clear

Presents to Suit Everyone

are to be seen in our store

Fancy Brass Goods

in neat and artistic designs

Ebony Dressing Sets,
Brushes, Mirrors, &c.

See our elegant stock of the new

Ivory Ware

which comprises a large assortment of useful articles, such as Dressing Sets, separate Hair Brushes, Combs, Clothes and Hat Brushes, Soap Boxes, Pin Trays, &c.

New Papeteries, Christmas Cards, Decorations, Candies, Perfumes, Smokers' Supplies

TOBACCOS AND CIGARS

W. R. TRENCH

DRUGS AND STATIONERY

Xmas Gifts For Men

Half-doz. handkerchiefs $2.
Suspenders - - 60c. to $1.25
Arm Bands - - 35c. to 85c.
Ties - - - - - - 75c.
Above are put up in neat, fancy boxes.

Gloves, Fancy Vests, Mufflers, Jewelry Sets Etc., Etc., Etc.

50 Special Prizes

Consisting of Cuff Links, Stick Pins, and other articles of jewelery, to be drawn for at 10 p.m. Christmas Eve.

Every $1.00 Purchase Entitles You to 1 Chance.

H. F. HICKS

Pioneer Cash Store
WILLIT'S BLOCK

DON'T FORGET

to arrange in time for the

PHOTOGRAPH

you intend sending to the

OLD COUNTRY

for

CHRISTMAS

GRAY'S STUDIO

is open for sittings

EVERY DAY

From 10 to 3.

Rowcliffe Block, near Post Office

It Pays to Deal with McKenzie!

We never say a thing unless we mean it and Never make a statement unless we can prove it

We want you to look at these two lists and see if we are not anxious to save you money on your Christmas purchases

Group No. 1

5-POUND CAN ONTARIO WHITE CLOVER HONEY ...	$1.25
2 POUNDS MIXED NUTS (six kinds)	.50
2 PACKAGES SEEDED RAISINS (16 full oz. each) ...	.25
2 PACKAGES CLEANED VOSTISSA CURRANTS ...	.25
1 POUND MIXED PEEL, CITRON, ORANGE, LEMON	.20
2 PACKAGES HALLOWI DATES	.30
2 POUNDS SMYRNA TABLE FIGS	.40
2 CANS LEARD'S CHICKEN SOUP	.60
1 POUND TUSKER BRAND TEA	.50
1 BOTTLE QUEEN OLIVES (16 ounce)	.15
1 POUND FRESH GROUND COFFEE	.50
1 POUND BUCHANAN'S MIXED DROPS	.25
	$5.75

All the above items we will give you from now until Christmas in a group for the sum of

$5.00 in Cash

In other words **$5.00** cash money will pay for the above **$5.75** list of goods

Group No. 2

1 BOTTLE ONTARIO HONEY, WHITE CLOVER	.25
1 POUND TUSKER TEA	.50
1 POUND MIXED NUTS	.25
1 PACKAGE HALLOWI DATES	.15
1 POUND SMYRNA FIGS	.20
1 POUND CLUSTER RAISINS	.35
1 QUARTER POUND TIN DEJONG'S COCOA	.30
1 TIN LEARD'S CHICKEN SOUP	.30
1 BOTTLE QUEEN OLIVES, (10 ounce)	.40
1 TIN ONTARIO PUMPKIN, (3 pounds)	.15
	$2.85

All the above items we will give you from now till Christmas in a group for

$2.50

In Other words **$2.50** cash money will pay for the above **$2.85** list of goods.

You may have either Group No. 1 for **$5** or Group No. 2 for **$2.50** on a moment's notice as we will have them all ready put up and ready to hand to you as soon as you hand us the money. We will save time and you will save time and money

The McKenzie Company, Limited

"Quality and Service," our motto

XMAS GIFTS

Santa Claus is happy, because he is making others happy with Christmas Gifts. You can be happy as Santa Claus if you are a cheerful giver at Christmas time. We have at our store beautiful and pleasing articles for Christmas presents for you to select from. Our stock is exceptionally full to meet the demands of the holiday season. You will find our prices so low that you can afford to buy all the presents you wish to give away.

The Topic of the Hour
CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

The holiday spirit is in the air—here, there, everywhere. This store is all alive with good, sensible, practical gifts. If you have little or much to spend you will find many happy-price surprises here until after the holiday season

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR ALL

WOMEN'S Evening Shoes, Kosy Slippers, Satin Kimonas, Cushion Covers, Fancy Linens, Fancy Ribbons, Furs, Hand Bags, Gun Metal Mesh Bags, Sachets, Hair Ornaments, Lovely Collars, Jabots, Sashes, Belts, Motor Scarfs, Evening Wrapps of every conceivable discription, Silk Underskirts, Parasols, Rugs, Strap pocket books.

FANCY HANDKERCHIEFS.—This department is certainly well supplied, we never before had such a variety of Linen, Lawn and Silks, hand embroidered. You may need something in a hurry. We have them all ready for mailing. We will be pleased to put in fancy boxes, anything purchased until Xmas.

MEN'S Smoking and Lounging Robes, just right for sitting around in the cool evenings ..... **$5.50 to $16.50** Bedroom Slippers, Gloves, Neckwear, Fancy Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Plain and Initial linen and silk, Studs, Classy Umbrellas **$7.50**, Vest Button sets, Military Brushes, Mufflers, Wool, Jaeger, Silk, Pocket Books, Wallets, Travelling Cases, Steamer Rugs, Sweaters, Steamer Trunks, Suit Cases, Fitted Club Bags.

Women's Silk Hose for Gift Giving

Women's Pure Silk Hose, with deep Lisle Garter tops, also lisle heel and sole, in black, tan, pink, blue, champagne and green, sizes 8½ to 10, Per pair **$1.50**

Women's Pure all Silk Hose. Extra large. Lisle garter tops lisle feet and real comfortable, suitable for gifts in fancy holly boxes, Sizes 8½ to 10. Per pair **$1.25**

Kid Gloves. Nothing can be more appreciated than a pair of nice gloves. We have a lovely range of these goods, with sizes still unbroken. We are featuring a Tan and Grey Kid with Mesh Silk lining that is splendid for a driving or pleasure glove, not too heavy. We also have Evening Gloves in Silk, 12-button, 16-button and 24-button, in black, white, cream, pale blue and pink.

Fur lined gauntlets $2.25 to **$5.00**
Mocha tight wrist $1.00 to $2.25, these come wool-lined, silk lined or fur lined. All prices, all colors, all sizes.

THOMAS LAWSON, Limited

Crawford's Toy Land

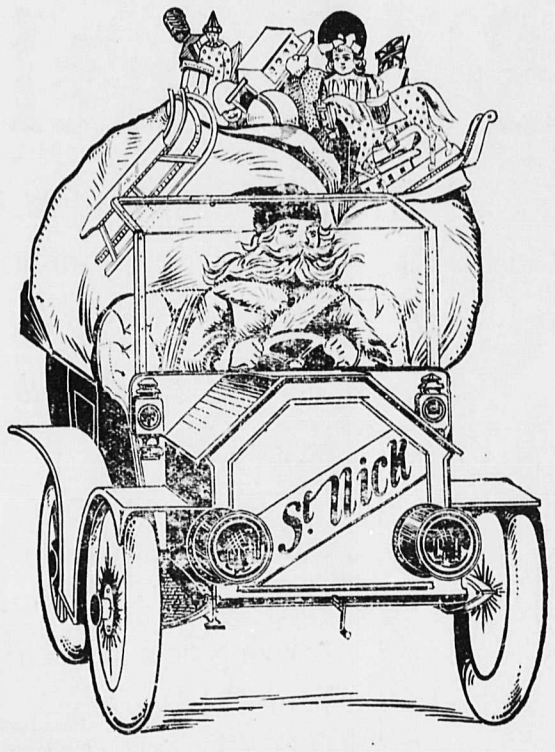
Pick out your Christmas Toys at once and don't get caught in the rush. We will carefully put away anything you may wish to select.

Early Shopping always Pays

PIPES

A large assortment of choice Case Pipes also Calabash and Meerschaum.

Makes a well appreciated present for the men folk



Search the world over, and you will find no joy like the Christmas joy of the little child. Joyous anticipation is filling the hearts of young and old.

Musical Instruments of all kinds

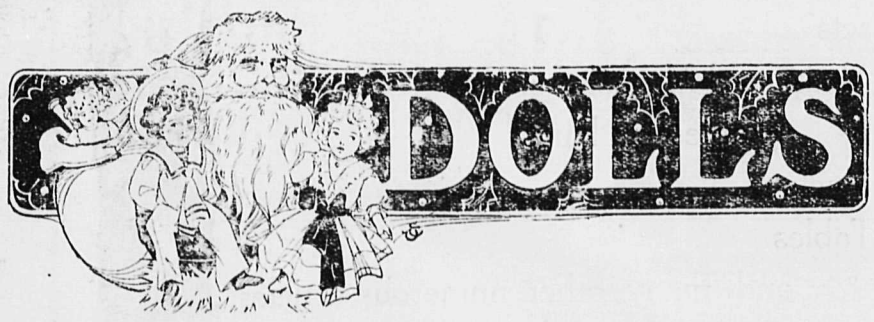
INDIAN CURIOS

Burnt leather goods and basket work, suitable for Old Country presents

FANCY CHOCOLATES

Everything on the go

Airships, Flying Machines, Trains, Whizzing Boats, Whirling Toys
Performing Animals, etc.



Fancy Goods, Toys, Dolls, Games, Books, Novelties, Boy's Soldier Suits, Galloping Horses, Doll Carriages, Toy Pianos, Sleighs, Decorations, Hockey Sticks.

Christmas & New Year

GREETING CARDS

and Calendars

Mason & Risch Pianos, Edison Phonographs, Fancy China
Victor and Columbia Gramaphones
Kodaks, Waterman Fountain Pens, Gillette's Safety Razors

Crawford's Toy Land

Boys & Girls, Ladies & Gentlemen

will do well to look over this store's accumulation of *XMAS GIFTS.* It may be that you will find just what you want. A shipment of fun-making iron toys for boys and girls just arrived

For Boys and Girls:

Baby Walker	$4.75
Chairs	15c. and 40c.
Rockers	80c.
Tables	80c.
Blackboard and Desk	$3.75
Dolls' Carriages	85c. and 1.65
Wheelbarrows	40c.
Toy Furniture	
Dolls' Beds	80c., $1.65 and $2.25
Whistles	10c.
Rolly-Polies	10c. and 20c.
Trickey Duck	80c.
Merry-Whirl	45c.
Roaming Toys	10c.
Climbing Monkey	40c.
Coon Jigger	80c.
Air Ships	20c.
Flying Boy	15c.
Tops	10c. and 15c.
Banks	20c.
Toy Ranges	80c.

Iron Toys of all kinds.

Skates, Sleds, Hockey Sticks, Pucks, &c.

For Ladies and Gentlemen:

Scissor Sets	$2.00 up
Manicure Sets	3.25
Safety Razors, from	1.00 up
Carpet Sweepers	3.25 up
Carving Sets	2.00 up

Fruit Sets

Butter Knives at all prices

Cake Servers and Pie Servers

Sugar Shells

Nut Crack Sets

Community Silver in sets

Tea Spoons in Fancy cases

Cut Glass---assortment

Fern Dishes---Brass

Vases Fancy Lamps

Smoking sets

Bedroom chairs and Magazine stands

Den Chairs Tables Rugs

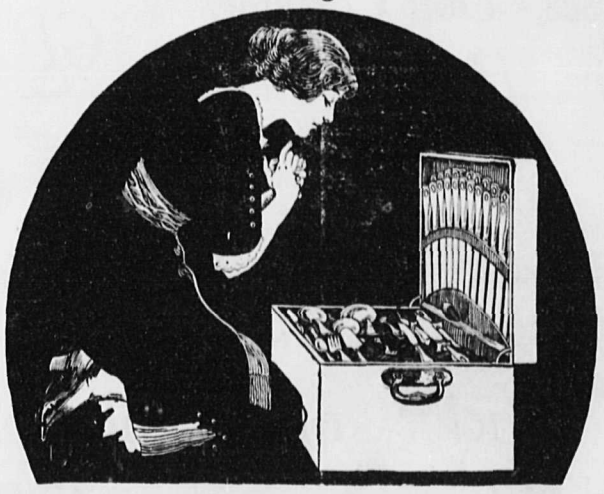
China Cabinets

Dressing Tables

Pictures, &c., and many other numerous articles.
All appropriate and useful gifts.

Xmas buying was never better than at the present time. *Come Early.*

Community Silver



Remember:

The Refund Date will be exposed at this store on December 24th, at 8 p.m.

Your purchases may be returned. See if your receipt bears the date.

We Wish You all
A Very
Happy Xmas

DALGLEISH & HARDING

Hardware Furniture