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Print Paper Advances.
Print paper has jumped to \$6.50 per hundred pounds, which means that a consignment that cost \$100 a year ago, now costs \$200. We are promised another raise about Jan. 1. It certainly doesn't look very rosy for the country printer.—Chenango American.

The quotation last Monday was \$7.25 per hundred, an advance of \$13 on a ton last week. Paper has more than trebled in price since last January. This enormous advance on news print paper makes the increases on feed and some other things we hear a great deal about look trifling in comparison. No such advance has ever been known in the history of paper-making, at least within our day.—Whitney Point Reporter.

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usually stops a stubborn cough or chest cold when ordinary specifics fail.
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From Nearby Towns.

Venice Center.
Dec. 18—Mrs. J. F. Streeter and Mrs. J. H. Streeter spent a few days in Syracuse last week. Mrs. Mattie Wattles looked after the household affairs for the latter during her absence.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Horton of Groton spent the week-end at their home here. They are preparing to make Groton their future home.
Fred Clark has closed his evaporator because the apples were too badly frozen to peel. If the weather is favorable it may reopen for a few days later.

Present indications are that we shall have a white Christmas.
There will be revival services at the M. E. church at Venice Center commencing Dec. 31, Sunday morning, at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 in the evening, and will continue until further notice, each week day evening at 7:30 o'clock. Every one is asked to come and bring your friends and neighbors with you. The meetings will be conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Suffield. There will be good singing and the old-time gospel preached.

Merry Christmas to THE TRIBUNE, its staff, and all subscribers.
Joseph Atwater has returned to his position in Atwater's store, after an absence of nearly three months caused by illness.

Merrifield.
Dec. 19—Lewis Allen and family are spending a few days at the home of his cousin, Geo. Doremus, before leaving for their home in Rushville.
Mrs. L. H. Smith is spending a few days with her daughter in Moravia.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Orchard are visiting her parents at Poplar Ridge.
Geo. Babcock and wife of Fleming were Sunday guests of Fred Wood and wife.
Lewis Thurston and family, who were burned out in the recent fire in this place, have moved to the place they recently purchased at North Merrifield.

The Merrifield and Bolts corner schools will hold a joint Christmas tree in the Merrifield schoolhouse Friday afternoon of this week.

Lansingville.
Dec. 18—The Christmas tree and exercises will be held at the church on Saturday night, Dec. 23.

Prayer meeting was held at the home of Wm. Tait last week and this week will be held at Geo. Stout's.
John Brown is improving slowly.
Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Gosbee visited friends in King Ferry Saturday.
The death of Albert Baker occurred last Monday night, after a long illness. The funeral was held at the home of Wilmer Stout on Wednesday, Rev. J. C. Crooker officiating. Burial at Lansingville.
Miss Tammie Bower is visiting in Auburn.
Mrs. Henry Bower spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs. Harry Bower, who is ill.

Do You Know That
A little cough often ends in a large coffin?
Bodily vigor protects against colds?
Careless sneezing, coughing, spitting spreads colds?
Open air exercise cures colds?
Colds sometimes get well in spite of the excessive use of alcoholic beverages?
Overheated, air tight rooms beget colds?
Neglected colds often forerun pneumonia?
Persistent, oft repeated colds, indicate bodily weakness?

After 40 Years.
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Ledyard.

Dec. 18—Quite a change in the weather. One sleigh appeared to-day and any number of automobiles are passing.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis spent Saturday and Sunday in Ithaca.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lord, at the Auburn City hospital on Dec. 12, a daughter—Bernice Mildred.

Frank Kirkland visited his mother last week from Thursday to Saturday.

Mrs. Veley is visiting her daughter at North Rose.

The Cayuga Lake Grange met at the home of W. J. Haines last Thursday evening. It being the annual election of officers, the following persons were elected: Master, F. H. Corey; overseer, W. J. Haines; lecturer, Anna Bradley; steward, Lewis Myers; asst. steward, Clifton Dixon; chaplain, Mrs. H. Locke; treasurer, B. C. Streeter; secretary, B. J. Brennan; gate keeper, Henry Locke; ceres, Mrs. B. C. Streeter; pomona, Mrs. Lewis Myers; flora, Mrs. F. H. Corey; lady asst. steward, Edna Dixon; trustee, Mrs. Cora Tighe. Farm Bureau Manager, J. R. Teal and Mrs. Teal were present. Several new members were initiated.

The next meeting of the Cornell Study club will be held at the home of Mrs. Minard on Dec. 27; topic, "Christmas Customs in all Lands."
Miss Sarah Smith is settled in her home recently purchased of W. P. Aikin.

We are pleased to note that Mrs. Vosburgh is recovering from her recent illness.

Mrs. Tilton spent Friday with her parents, west of Sherwood.
Frank Main lost a good work horse yesterday.

King Ferry.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOTES.
Sunday morning: Christmas service at 10:30. An anthem by the choir with a violin obligato played by Mr. Dayton Atwater; a selection by a male quartet composed of Messrs. E. A. Bradley, Harvey Smith, Edwin Smith and Dayton Atwater; a selection by the ladies' quartet composed of Mrs. Harvey Smith, Mrs. Fred Atwater, Mrs. W. H. Perry and Miss Cora Goodyear. Sermon theme, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth, Peace and Good Will Toward Men."
Sunday school at 12.

Evening worship and Christian Endeavor at 7. Topic, "Helping to Accomplish the Purpose of Christ's Coming;" Jn. 10:1-16. Leader, Earl Buckhout. Sermon and singing of gospel hymns.

On Saturday evening of this week there will be a Christmas tree in the chapel. There will be exercises including a community sing around the tree.

Last Sunday, the boys and girls of the Sunday school brought presents to be sent to the boys and girls of the Auburn Italian Mission which is being conducted by our Presbytery. These presents include many favorite toys which the givers played with when they were younger. A beautiful spirit was shown by our children in meeting this call to give.

Our offering Sunday morning for our own Sunday school and for the starving children of Europe amounted to \$50 and money is still being handed to the pastor. \$20 has been retained for our Sunday school Christmas tree and \$30 has been sent to the Starving Children's Fund, 70 Fifth Ave., New York City. Since money is still coming in for this offering, the pastor will be glad to receive any more money for this that any one wishes to give and send it in after next Sunday. The response to this call last Sunday morning was liberal and very earnest. Some must have given with sacrifices.
Prayer-meeting at 7 p. m. on Thursday followed by choir rehearsal.

"Does my practicing make you nervous?" asked the man who is learning to play the cornet. "It did when I first heard the people round about discussing it," replied the sympathetic neighbor. "But now I'm getting so I don't care what happens to you."

Ensenore Heights.

Dec. 19—Christmas exercises with a free and supper in Dist. No. 7, Miss Laura Lester, teacher, will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lester Friday evening, Dec. 22. Dist. No. 8, Miss Alpha Clark teacher, will hold their entertainment the same evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gray.

Mrs. Rachel Daniels is in Auburn caring for her daughter, Miss Flora Daniels, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Sarah Barnes is spending a few days in Auburn.

Miss Muriel Barnes spent last week with friends in Moravia and Auburn.
A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend a holiday social to be held under the auspices of the Baptist L. A. S. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lester Friday evening, Dec. 29. The ladies furnish what they please for the supper. No charge but a free will offering will be received for the church.

North Lansing.

Dec. 19—Mrs. Angeline Osmun is sick in bed with rheumatism.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sigler were called to the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Hall, near Five Corners by her severe sickness and death. The funeral was held on Tuesday with burial at North Lansing.

Leon Coon is to live in the Manning Austin house and work for Frank Tarbell.

We were shocked at the sudden death of Reuben Lane of Cortland. He had lived here until a few years ago.

The Willing Workers had a large attendance at their meeting last Thursday with Mrs. Alice Singer. Dinner was served and they had a sale of aprons, etc. Receipts \$27.

They are still busy at the evaporator.
Weaver & Brogan will pay the highest market price for poultry delivered at the North Lansing station every Tuesday.

Instantly Killed.

Reuben S. Lane, who resided between Cortland and Homer, was instantly killed by a Lackawanna coal train last Friday.

Mr. Lane was walking on the south-bound track on the way to his work in Johnson's lumber yard in Cortland when he was struck from the rear. The engineer did not see Mr. Lane in time to stop the train. It is said that Mr. Lane had been in the habit of walking to and from his work on the Lackawanna tracks. Coroner Jennings decided that death was accidental.

Mr. Lane was 63 years of age and is survived by a wife and one son, Mead Lane.

The funeral was held at the family home in North Homer ave., at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Mr. Lane was a former resident of this vicinity and lived one year in this village.

Big Comet Coming.

A gigantic comet, outclassing in size and brilliancy all those seen in modern times is speeding toward the sun at the rate of 1,134,246 miles a day, according to the Rev. Martin S. Brennan, priest-astronomer of St. Louis. The comet will be a thing of glory in the northwestern sky next spring according to Father Brennan, and probably will remain visible for three months.

It will be at its best in June. The comet which is known officially as Comet B, was first reported by Prof. Max Wolf at Heidelberg.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Venice Center Hall association of the town of Venice, N. Y., will be held on Jan. 8, 1917, at 7 o'clock p. m., in the hall at Venice Center, N. Y. You are requested to be present in person if convenient, or at least be represented by proxy, for the purpose of electing directors and transacting other business as may properly come before the meeting. 22w3
When you plan the crop rotation remember that a short rotation helps to control daisies and other weeds.

Death of Aged Minister.

The older residents of this vicinity will be interested in the following notice of the death of Rev. Mr. Conant who was pastor of the Five Corners and Genoa churches fifty years ago. Mr. Conant died in Schenectady on Sept. 18.

"The death of the Rev. Charles Albion Conant, former pastor of the Dutch Reformed church, occurred yesterday after a lingering illness. He was born in Temple, Me., 83 years ago, and worked his way by tutoring through Union, later attending the Bangor and Auburn Theological seminaries. His charges include Duluth, Minn., St. Paul, Amsterdam, Voorheesville and Lisha's Kill. He had been a resident of this city for the past 12 years. Three years ago he observed the golden anniversary of his marriage to Miss Harriet L. Bunn, formerly of Amsterdam. He is survived by his wife and five children, who were at his bedside at his death. They are: Dr. C. A. Conant of Amsterdam, Prof. Howard Conant of the Holyoke High school, Mrs. Charles A. Kenworthy of Amsterdam, Mrs. Anson Hamlin of Niskayuna and Miss Elizabeth Conant of this city."

East Venice Grange.

At the annual election of East Venice Grange, No. 895, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:
Master—H. M. Roe.
Overseer—H. W. Taylor.
Lecturer—W. W. Ketchum.
Steward—Casper Nettleton.
Ass't. Steward—Charles H. Knapp.
Chaplain—Frances Ketchum.
Treasurer—W. B. Teeter.
Secretary—G. E. Sisson.
Gate Keeper—C. F. Keefe.
Ceres—Carrie Arnold.
Flora—Pauline Hurlbut.
Lady Ass't. Steward—Ruth Roe.
Pianist—May Teeter.
Granger buyer—S. T. Kimbark.

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Notice of Stockholders Meeting.

To the Stockholders of The First National Bank of Genoa:
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Genoa will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1917, in the Banking Rooms at 10 o'clock a. m. You are requested to be present in person, if convenient, or at least be represented by proxy. You are entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by you. The election of Directors will be held and such other business will be transacted as may properly come before the meeting.
A. H. KNAFF, Cashier.
Dated Genoa, N. Y., Dec. 6, 1916.
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The Christmas Tree's Uses.

The balsam fir is almost known botanically as the "Christmas tree," for when the carefully recording scientist states that the balsam fir grows to a height of fifty or sixty feet, that its wood is used for the manufacture of boxes, that its bark furnishes the balsam used in medicine and art, that its leaves are gathered for fragrant pillows, they must also say "it is the Christmas tree of commerce." The ancient Teutons used to celebrate the winter season by decking a little fir tree in bits of tinsel, flowers, toys, ornaments of various kinds, for to them it was a symbol of the glorious sun which they worshiped. The symmetrical spreading and raying of the branches of the fir reminded them of the sun that rose higher and higher in the heavens.

The Actors' Christmas.

The troupe had been playing in hard luck. Fifty dollars, \$65, now and then \$100, were the nightly receipts, hardly enough to pay the railroad "jumps," let alone pay salaries. There was just enough money in the treasury to get to Wayville on Christmas night. It was one of those "East Lynne" "the child is with its mother in London" pieces, and when the company struggled into the town at midday the local theater manager was at the station, to be sure they had the eight actors.
The players wandered about the town during the day. The curtain went up on \$24.75, most of it in the gallery. Some of the \$24.75 went out at the end of the second act and didn't come back. When the final curtain came down a weary crowd scattered to the chill dressing rooms, wondering if the hotel proprietor would stop them at the station the next morning.

This speculation was at its height when the theater manager of the town appeared, his arms filled with bundles, and dumped them into the arms of the youngest member of the troupe.
"Say," he blustered, apparently a little ashamed of what he was going to say, "you people are having rotten luck, ain't you? I'm all alone up at my house. Come up and have supper with me, will you? And, say, I've had a bit of luck this year, and I'll stake you to the night's receipts. And those things I gave the kid, they—well, they once belonged to a kid of mine."
And he went out.
One of the women started to cry—
That's where the story ends.—New York Evening Post.

Holiday Time in Belgium.

No carol singing, no Christmas cards, no Christmas trees, no Christmas toys! To us Christmas would not be Christmas without these accessories, but Belgium seems to have missed along well enough without them even before the war. New Year's day is the day of merry-making. Christmas for the most part is a solemn festival. Formerly Christmas in the land of the Belgians was preceded by a season of strict abstinence, which lasted the whole of Advent, during which there was an entire abstinence of flesh.
Old superstitions still survive in many parts. Young Belgian belles still take candles to the wells at midnight to see the faces of their future husbands. A light extinguished on the table at the Christmas feast is still believed by some to foreshadow the death of a guest present.

The laxative properties of fruits and vegetables are not destroyed by canning them.

\$100 Reward, \$100.
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.
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Merry Christmas

Christmas Legend

The legend of St. Boniface and the first Christmas tree has been beautifully told. The scene lives before us—the wintry night, the swelling hillock crowned with the great oak tree, the "thunder oak," sacred to the pagan god Thor; the tongues of ruddy flame, the ranks of white clad warriors, women and children facing the altar; the hoary high priest and kneeling child, the victim doomed to die by the blow of the hammer, a sacrifice to Thor, the hammerer.

Then the coming of Boniface, the blow from the hammer turned aside by the cross, the rescue of the boy, the fall of the oak beneath the mighty blows of the apostle, the story of Jesus simply told and how sin, not human life, is the sacrifice he asks.

"And here," said the apostle as his eyes fell on a young fir tree, with its top pointing toward the stars, amid the divided oak—"here is the living tree, with no stain of blood upon it, that shall be the sign of your new worship."—Parish Tidings.

PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT.

Scurvy During Infancy.

Infants and young children suffer from scurvy more than is frequently realized. The cause of scurvy is due to a lack of acids in the diet. A mild grade of scurvy develops in infants who are artificially fed on pasteurized milk. Babies fed exclusively on pasteurized milk need orange juice between milk feedings to prevent scurvy.

Young children will frequently be seen to have spongy, bleeding gums, swollen joints and even hemorrhage blood spots under the skin, all of which are caused by scurvy and all of which promptly disappear when fruit juices are liberally supplied in the diet.

Children past infancy may have any fruit, such as pineapple juice, raspberry, blackberry, grape or orange juice. Fresh green vegetables are needed to keep off scurvy. Spinach and lettuce for young children and onions, asparagus, celery, tomatoes and cabbage for older children. Give every child orange or pineapple juice for its breakfast. Start the meal with it and there will be no scurvy.

The Principal Festival

Christmas in Anglo-Saxon days in England was celebrated as the principal festival of the year, the Anglo-Saxon forefathers delighting in the festivities of the holy month, as they called the month of December. At these times the Anglo-Saxon and afterward the Danish kings of England lived in state and were surrounded with all the great men of their kingdom, who were sumptuously entertained. There was also an outflow of generous hospitality toward the poor.

During the reign of Alfred the Great a law was passed with relation to holidays by virtue of which the twelve days after the Nativity were set apart for the celebration of the Christmas festival. It is said that but for Alfred's strict observance of the "full twelve holy days" he would not have been defeated by the Danes.

Icy Cold Winters.

In the winter of 1780 New York harbor was frozen over and teams passed from New York to Staten Island. New York bay was frozen over in the latter part of January, 1821, and sleighs passed over the Hudson river from Cortlandt street to Jersey City. On Feb. 3, 1841, Long Island sound was frozen over a few miles above New York. On Jan. 20, 1852, the East river was frozen over, and hundreds passed over both ways between Brooklyn and New York. On Feb. 10 and 11, 1856, the East river was frozen over so that the people passed over freely. On Jan. 23, 1867, the East river was bridged over with ice, and 5,000 persons passed over. On Feb. 12, 1875, the East river was completely bridged over for over three and one-half hours. During the blizzard of March 12, 1888, the East river was frozen over so completely for several hours that hundreds passed over both ways.—Magazine of American History.

First Prohibition Act.

The first prohibitive measure was that of the Saxon King Edgar, who, nearly a thousand years ago, on the advice of Dunstan, put down many ale-houses, allowing only one to exist in any village or small town and at the same time limiting the drafts of the drinkers. The common drinking cup of that day held about two quarts, and Edgar had eight pegs placed at stated distances in each cup, heavy penalties being imposed on those who drank from one peg to another at each time. Neither the working nor the result of the act encouraged Edgar's successors to further action, and the next prohibitive legislation on the sale of liquor is due to Henry VII, who, by an act against vagabonds and beggars in the year 1495, gave power to any justices of the peace to stop the sale of strong ale in towns and any other places they thought necessary.—London Mirror.

There Are Some.

"I just adore western men," gushed the girl who had never been west of Hoboken. "You are all so big and bluff and hearty."
"Well, when it comes to that," replied the westerner, "I've seen some pretty big bluffs right here in New York city."—Philadelphia Ledger.

HIS SILENT VIGIL

French Sentinel Watches Wife and Parents Work.

AN ODDITY OF THE WAR.

Peasant Soldier Cannot Help Kin Because He Is on Active Guard Duty Stationed at Railway Line to Prevent Spies or Vandals From Interfering With Trains.

Paris.—A middle aged man in full health stands idly smoking a pipe across the road his wife, his young daughters and his aged parents labor unceasingly in the fields, getting in the crops which they patiently sowed last spring when he stood idly by smoking his pipe as now.

Lazy? Not a bit of it. He is a French peasant of the toiling, untiring kind. But he wears the long blue coat and baggy red trousers of a territorial of the French army, and he carries a magazine rifle with fixed bayonet all the time he is on duty. He is guarding the railway line to prevent spies or vandals from attempting to interfere with the movement of troops or supplies.

Two years he has stood there. Mobilized since Aug. 3, 1914, he dropped his agricultural implements and seized his arms. Just too old for the trenches he has been put on interior guard duty and is fortunate enough to be stationed right opposite his home. Perhaps if he has a kindly colonel he is permitted to sleep at home; otherwise he must walk away from his house and stay in the nearest barracks while he is not on active duty.

As he stands on the railway tracks he looks across the road and watches his wife staggering under heavy pitchfork loads of hay as she swings them to the top of the stack. His parents and his young daughters are not strong enough to toss the hay that high, so all that particular work devolves on his wife. Last spring he watched his aged kin feebly trying to guide the heavy plow through the fields and turning a furrow so shallow he knew little more than half the regular crop would spring up.

But it causes no bitterness in his breast. He realizes it is for "la patrie." And he knows that on all the thousands of other farms in France the same conditions exist. He is thankful that he can be near his home and see his family every day instead of being stationed far off in a trench line or, worse still, patrolling a stretch of railway in a distant corner of the republic.

MIDDLE AGED MEN EXCEL.

Result Shown In Endurance Test by United States Marines.

Santo Domingo.—In a test of endurance conducted by Lieutenant Kingston of the United States marines in Haiti to determine the staying powers of his men 118 men ranging in age from nineteen to fifty-two and carrying the regulation field equipment were given the test of ascending a steep mountain path, approximately eight miles, within a two hour limit.

Eighty-four men accomplished the feat in the prescribed time, and of those 20 per cent were veterans of forty-four years and over. The average age of those who succeeded was twenty-nine years, while the percentage of tender foot recruits among the losers reduced their average to twenty-four years.

This experiment strengthens the theory of many that trained middle aged rivals unseasoned youth.

DECLARES HIMSELF ALIVE.

Probate Court Had Said That Arthur George Was Dead.

Seattle.—Arthur George, a painter living at Tacoma, appeared at the county clerk's office recently and filed a solemn declaration that he was not dead. He objected to the probate court's action in declaring him dead and turning over \$750 worth of Seattle real estate to Mrs. George, now dead, after he failed to claim his property or his wife after seven years' absence.

"I solemnly declare that I never was dead and am not now," he swears in this statement filed with the county clerk. He was instructed to confer with the Swedish consul, who aided the heirs of Mrs. George to obtain the property.

George said he lived under his own name at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, all the time he was supposed to have been dead until he moved to Tacoma about a year ago.

IS FIRST NEGRESS POLICE.

Los Angeles Woman's Duty to Watch Young of Her Race in Cafes.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Mrs. Georgia A. Robinson, recently appointed to the office of policewoman by Chief of Police Sniely, is the first colored woman in the United States to hold such a position.

Mrs. Robinson is an unusual woman. She speaks French fluently and is studying Spanish. In her official position Mrs. Robinson visits cafes, dance halls and other places of amusement frequented by negro juveniles.

Bolt Fires Fireless Cooker.

Janesville, Wis.—An electrical storm which did some damage in this vicinity was marked by one peculiar incident. Lightning struck a farmhouse, went through the pantry, where it set fire to a fireless cooker. There were no other marks on the house.

Spinsters In Russia.

In Russia an unmarried woman remains under control of her parents until her or their death.

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It's a short, short way to the Tipperary of success in this good country of ours. Show that your heart's right there. Buy now

The Season's Greetings

Some good old fashioned customs
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"Christmas Carol"

Wolverhampton, England, was the first town in which Charles Dickens gave his celebrated reading of the "Christmas Carol" after the conclusion of his first London season. He read it in the Corn Exchange on the evening of Wednesday, Aug. 11, 1858, before a crowded and appreciative audience. He was accompanied on that occasion by Arthur Smith, brother of Albert Smith, who managed all the business details of his tour.

As Rev. Mr. Parke was on friendly terms with Arthur Smith, he and Dickens were invited to stay at the deanery during their visit to Wolverhampton, and Richard Bradley (Cuthbert Bede) was asked to meet them. It was, however, Dickens' custom on such occasions to prefer to put up at a hotel, where he might be as private as he desired and from the importunities of guests who were anxious to hear his brilliant conversation, but he cheerfully accepted Mr. Parke's hospitality and visited him at the deanery, although he did not sleep under his roof.

He made more than one story in that inn (the Swan), and his experiences there with the mention of the waiter whom he saw returning from the Schomberg's across the way and slapping over his thigh the sole intended for the novelist's dinner formed the subject for one of his graphic articles in "Household Words."

His journey by night from the same inn to Birmingham supplied him with the material for his famous paper, "Fire and Snow," in the same journal.

Mr. Dickens was greatly pleased with his Wolverhampton hearers and afterward told Cuthbert Bede, who sat by Mr. Parke's side in a front row, that he had never read so "quick" and sympathetic an audience and that often in London he had scarcely been able to continue his reading from the "genteel" frigidity of his audience. In the very commencement of the "Christmas Carol," where mention is made of Rocco's clerk occupying a dismal little cell—"a sort of tank"—there was an irrepressible shout of laughter from an occupant of the back seats, who doubtless had an every-day experience of a similar tank. The laugh was taken up by others, and the applause thenceforward was continuous.

In talking with Cuthbert Bede at the deanery over the events of the evening Dickens especially referred to that burst of laughter at the mention of the "tank" and said that he instinctively blamed the person for his applause.

Early Christmas Plays.

Two of the earliest Christmas plays that have come down to us are to be found in the few fragmentary works of Hilarius, a monk of the twelfth century, who is said to have been an Englishman and who is known to have been a pupil of the monk Abelard. Of the three mystery plays which he is thought to have written in collaboration with Jordanus and Simon, probably brother monks, two were evidently played during the Christmas season—namely, "The Image of St. Nicholas," most likely produced on that saint's day, Dec. 6, and "The History of Daniel," which seems to have been intended for Christmas presentation.

Holiday Time in Holland.

The country where the people enter most thoroughly, perhaps, into the spirit of the nativity is Holland. In nearly every Dutch town at 2 o'clock on Christmas morning the young men assemble in the market place and light large bonfires and sing carols until dawn, when they repair to the house of some prominent man and partake of a beautiful breakfast. England, however, furnishes the best example of the Christmas carols.

At Christmas Be Merry.

At Christmas be merry and thankful withal and feast thy poor neighbors, the great with the small.

—Thomas-Linnet.

Norway's Long Miles.

To walk a mile in Norway, by its method of reckoning, one must cover 12-182 yards.

NEW YORK NEWS

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

Paragraphs of Interest to Readers of Empire State.

News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points in the State and So Reduced in Size That it Will Appeal to All Classes of Readers.

Milk dealers in the Tonawandas have raised the price from 8 to 9 cents a quart.

Medina's chamber of commerce is arranging for a community Christmas celebration.

Watertown men are preparing to reopen the Star paper mill, which has been idle many years.

Four paper mills at Niagara Falls are to grant their employes a 10 per cent increase in wages.

Niagara county supervisors made an appropriation of \$2,523 for the farm bureau in that county.

Hunting of rabbits with packs of beagle hounds is a sport just introduced in the vicinity of Avon.

Business men of Friendship are organizing an electric light and power company and will erect a plant.

Medina singers have formed a community chorus, with H. Norman Spahr of Rochester as director.

City Manager Carr of Niagara Falls is investigating the feasibility of establishing a municipal coal yard.

Preparations have been completed for the establishment of a Russian Greek Catholic church in Rochester.

Fayette A. Milliken, a well-known resident of Holley, was found dead in the Masonic clubrooms of that village.

Cases of Schenectady moving picture proprietors, arrested on Sunday, were adjourned at the request of the city, until Dec. 28.

Hilton Methodists have installed a pipe organ and made repairs to their church, the total cost of the improvements being \$3,450.

Thirty-seven produce merchants in New York were fined sums ranging from \$2 to \$10 for having sold cold storage eggs as fresh.

William Crawford Barry, 69 years, one of Rochester's prominent bankers and widely known as a horticulturist, died of pneumonia.

Health Commissioner Emerson of New York voices the belief that there will not be another epidemic of infantile paralysis next year.

Orders have been placed by the government with the Curtiss Aeroplane company of Buffalo for 16 airplanes, to cost \$22,500 each.

Soccer or inter-collegiate association football will be dropped at Cornell, owing to lack of interest on the part of the undergraduate body.

Bath's board of trade realized from its fair the sum of \$1,600 which will be applied to the fund for the construction of a new silk mill building.

At a special election Geneva voted, 450 to 142, to appropriate \$20,000 for an additional unit for the slow sand filter at the city's pumping station.

Sixty-five milk producers in the vicinity of Avon have formed a branch of the Dairymen's league, with James W. Anderson as president.

The official canvass of the New York vote in the recent election showed that Mr. Hughes received the greatest number of votes of any Republican nominee.

Charles E. Hughes has been named for the presidency of the New York State Bar association by the nominating committee of that organization. It was announced.

That the people of this state will again respond generously to the urgent need of tuberculosis sufferers is indicated by early reports from local Red Cross agents.

State Education Commissioner Finley suggests that high school courses be cut from four to three years and that another year be added to the elementary course.

It is said that a paid man, who will devote all of his time to the work, will be named to succeed Frederick C. Tanner as chairman of the Republican state committee.

Mount Discovery has been rechristened Mt. Inez by the people in the vicinity of Glens Falls. Inez Milholland Bossévain was buried at the foot of the mountain last week.

It didn't take any bloodhound to trail the man who robbed Fred Weeks' skunk trap in Auburn. Ray Walter was caught with the smell of the goods on him and fined \$20.

Motion picture theaters throughout the state have begun an effort to enroll the three million motion picture lovers in this state in a petition to protest against Sunday closing.

Auburn citizens have raised \$101,400 for the theological seminary in that city. Mrs. J. S. Kennedy will give a like sum and various Presbyterian organizations will contribute.

Washington lodge, F. and A. M., of Buffalo celebrated its 65th anniversary with a banquet and ball in honor of Thomas Penny, grand master of the state, at the Statler hotel.

Former State Senator John P. Schlosser died at Hoaccon. He was 68 years old. He was director and counsel for the Fishkill National bank and for many years president of the State Firemen's association.

The sale of milk by the state is here "rainbow chasing," declared Lon Horton, president of the Sheffield Farms-Slawson-Decker company, before the Wicks inquiry in New York.

Beginning Jan. 1, all employes of the Shredded Wheat company of Niagara Falls will be given a 10 per cent advance in their pay. Over 1,000 persons will share in the increase.

Mrs. Rudolph H. Hofheins has signified to the Rochester Dental dispensary her purpose to furnish the research laboratory of the dispensary a memorial to her husband, the late Dr. Hofheins.

Under the will of Miss Isabelle Gibson of Buffalo the bulk of her \$60,000 estate is to be used in buying a farm outside the city limits, where a convalescent home for crippled and sick children may be built.

More persons were employed and more wages disbursed by New York industries in October than in any other month of record, according to the state industrial commission. The average wage was \$14.93.

Orleans county supervisors, have been notified that the state tax commissioners cannot approve the rates submitted by the supervisors without an examination of the evidence upon which the rates were based.

State Food Commissioner Dillon announces that within three months he will be prepared to sell milk in New York city direct to consumers at eight cents a quart, three cents less than the present price.

In a decision the supreme court in Washington upheld the ruling of New York courts annulling a state franchise given to the Long Sault Development company, an immense power project in the St. Lawrence river.

A prize of \$5 is offered by the New York State Fruit Growers' association for the best apple pie on exhibition at the association's fruit show at Exposition park, Rochester, Jan. 3-5. The competition is open to the women in the families of the members.

The executive committee of the Chautauqua farm bureau met in the grand jury room in the court house at Mayville and reorganized by re-election of Jared Hewes of Mayville as chairman, A. M. Loomis of Jamestown, secretary, and George A. Kirkland of Dewittville as treasurer.

The New York State Cannery association closed the annual meeting with a discussion of cost accounting at Rochester. Walter J. Sears, Chilli-cothe, O., delivered an address on "Cost," and S. M. Ryder, Niagara Falls, gave a blackboard talk, illustrating the report of the cost committee.

There is general rejoicing over the New York Central's Christmas gift to Buffalo, in the shape of complete plans for a new passenger terminal to cost upwards of \$6,000,000 and to be erected at Exchange and Washington streets. The plans were formally approved by the city's terminal commission.

It has been authoritatively announced at Syracuse that men are being laid off at the Semet-Solvay plant there, due to the falling off of demands for ammunition. One unit at the works has already been closed. It is proposed, however, to devote the plant later to the manufacture of other products.

From this time on, according to Genesee poultrymen, eggs will continue to drop slightly, but, regularly, until the avalanche of eggs that always hits the March-April market will drive the prices down to a point where "hen-fruit" may be eaten without a qualm of the housewife's financial conscience.

There are more muskrats being trapped in Potter swamp, near Penn Yan, this fall than ever before, already one buyer in Rushville having purchased 2,000 skins. Frank Leach and Nicholas Schuman have each caught over 400 muskrats in the swamp, besides other fur-bearing animals, in the past couple of weeks.

Plans for New York's largest apartment house, a structure 13 stories high, covering the city block bounded by Lexington and Park avenues and 48th and 49th streets, were announced in New York city. The building will cost \$4,000,000 and the project, including a long lease of the site, will involve a total expenditure of more than \$8,000,000.

William H. Moyer succeeded Thomas Mott Osborne as warden of Sing Sing prison. He went to Sing Sing accompanied by James M. Carter, state superintendent of prisons, with whom he had a conference regarding management of the prison. The new warden said he undertook his work without any preconceived notion as to what should or should not be done.

Activity in manufacturing in New York state attained its highest point last month, showing an increase of two per cent in the number of employes and an increase of four per cent in the amount of wages paid, according to the monthly statement issued by the state industrial commission. The total number of employes was more than 500,000, while the total amount of wages was more than \$8,000,000.

Publishers of weekly newspapers in Cattaraugus county have agreed to increase their subscription price from \$1 to \$1.50 a year. Among the papers affected are the Randolph Register, the Franklinville Chronicle, the Little Valley Hub and the Elliptical Post. The Olean Evening Herald, a daily, has increased its rate to out of town subscribers. The Herald which was formerly sold outside the city for a cent a copy will now cost two cents.

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Millinery and Suit House

HOSTS OF BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS HERE IN CHRISTMAS BOXES READY FOR GIVING.

Make to-day your time to select them.

Gifts at 25c to \$125.00

ALL MILLINERY AT HALF PRICE

All Tailored Suits Reduced to 1-3 of Regular Price. All Coats Reduced to 1-4 of Regular Price. Do not Miss This Wonderful Christmas Store.

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John W. Rice Company,

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We offer hundreds of excellent values throughout our store for Christmas. Handkerchiefs are always acceptable and it will be a long time before we are able to offer such values again. Beautiful Irish linen embroidered handkerchiefs at 25c, also Ladies or Men's initial handkerchiefs at 25c, others at 35c, 50c and up, put up in pretty boxes.

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FURS

The gift that will please is a set of Furs or a separate Muff or Neckpiece. We have a wonderful collection of the most fashionable Furs of the season and the prices are reasonable. Also a good stock of Children's Fur Sets.

Michael J. Leo

FORMERLY H. L. & A. M. STEVENS.

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Our Great Christmas Selling Event

Christmas Suggestions—Bath Robes, Silk Petticoats, Silk and Voile Blouses, Coats and Suits.

Furs Make Useful Christmas Gifts

Black Pony Skin Coats satin lined \$39.50

Handsome Muskrat Coats \$59.00 and \$90.00.

Red Fox Sets, Pillow Muff and Snake Scarf \$12.50.

Children's Fur Sets in Tiger, Coney and White Angora Sets \$1.98

Christmas Waists and Blouses packed in Holly Boxes, fine voiles, crepe de chine, Georgette crepe, 98c, \$1.49, \$3.98 to \$5.98. Coats and Suits at January Prices.

New Jewelry Store

C. Grant Kirkpatrick

Wishes to announce to the public that he has opened an up-to-date Jewelry Store in the

Masonic Temple, 8 South Street

with a new stock of

Jewelry, Clocks, Cut Glass, Sterling Silver and Plated Ware and Christmas Goods. Watch, Clock and Jewelry repairing.

Select Your Christmas Gifts Here.

MASONIC TEMPLE, 8 South St., AUBURN.



The Municipal Christmas Tree

MAKING Christmas happy for the poor, the lonely, rich, those who have no family ties to bind them close to the great heart of humanity at Christmastide, is the mission of the municipal or city Christmas. Even many small towns have welcomed the idea, and men and women, touched by the gentle spirit of Christmas, join each year in the effort to make Christmas a reality for all. The community Christmas does not supplant the private celebration. It adds zest to the family gatherings and the individual rejoicings. And it brings the joy and the thrill of the day to many to whom it would be unknown otherwise.

How some American cities celebrated the community Christmas in past years may be read here:

Indianapolis, Ind.—Thousands of Indiana residents began in many ways to take the Christmas spirit to their less fortunate neighbors. Municipal trees became a leading feature in the celebration. From some of the trees presents were distributed, while at others large choruses sang Christmas carols. Newspapers throughout the state provided toys for the children



A Community Christmas Tree

and Christmas dinners for the poor, and they were assisted by charitable organizations.

Columbus, O.—Thousands of residents in many Ohio cities celebrated their first municipal Christmas ere with community Christmas trees and completed preparations for serving thousands of unfortunates with Christmas dinners. Church choirs, boys' choirs, large choruses and brass bands furnished music for the municipal celebrations.

Cleveland, O.—Church bells summoning citizens to the public square at 7 o'clock initiated Cleveland's community Christmas celebration. Thousands listened while a choir of 300 men and boys, standing beneath a lighted sixty-five foot Christmas tree, sang carols. The sale of stock in "Cleveland, the City of Good Will," insured that every one in the city would have a Christmas dinner.

Cincinnati, O.—Hinging of chimes all over the city, a fanfare of trumpets, carols by a selected choir of boys and a brilliant illumination of the municipal Christmas tree ushered in Cincinnati's public Christmas celebration. The city Christmas tree, forty-five feet in height, was illuminated with electric lights. There was no attempt to distribute presents, but the musical dedication of the tree by singing societies drew a crowd which taxed the capacity of Government square. Under the auspices of a Santa Claus association 10,000 Christmas dinners were delivered to the poor. The baskets contained food and toys and were made up with the assistance of boy scouts.

Detroit, Mich.—Detroit's municipal Christmas tree, gayly decorated with lights, tinsel and toys, was the center of attraction for thousands of citizens and children. A large band and choir furnished the music.

Keaneyville, Ind.—Hungry horses received a Christmas feast at the expense of Adolph Meiser, philanthropist and friend of dumb animals.

The Infant King

THE shepherds, watching through the night,
Were startled by an angel bright,
Who bade them not to fear,
For he brought tidings of great joy
That will the sin of Eve destroy
And dry the bitter tear.

The shepherds, kneeling on the sod,
Then heard that Christ, the Son of God,
Was in a stable born,
So poor that on a bed of hay
The lovely infant Jesus lay
A manger to adorn.

The shepherds to adore him went
And heard the choirs from heaven sent
With grandest voices sing,
Glory be to God on high
And on earth peace to those who try
To love the infant King.

—John H. Taylor in New York Evening Sun.

Genoa Presbyterian Church.

Morning service at 11. There will be a Christmas message from the pastor. All who do not worship elsewhere are invited to worship with us.

Sunday school at close of the morning service. Last Sunday the attendance fell off somewhat because some people usually present failed us.

Christian Endeavor at 6:30 sharp. All the young people of the congregation are expected to be present. Topic: "Helping to Accomplish the Purpose of Christ's Coming."

Evening service at 7:30. Come and have a part in the song service preceding the message from the pastor.

Thursday evening mid-week service at 7:30. Topic: "The Universal King." Come prepared to take part in the service and so contribute toward the helpfulness of the service.

This evening, (Friday) Dec. 22, the sacred cantata, "Down the Chimney with Santa Claus," will be presented at the church by members of the Sunday school. Come and bring the children to see the Christmas tree and to enjoy the music.



Christmas Eve Carol

MY Lord was born in Bethlehem
Upon the Christmas eve.
Ah, slack of heart and slow of heart,
Who will not him receive!

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,
And waiting shepherds heard
Sweet angel heralds chanting loud
The long awaited word.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,
And in a manger laid.
None tended him, none cherished him,
Save that sweet mother-maid.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,
And wise men came to see
His lowly state and homage paid
To his mild majesty.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,
But soon he had to flee,
For cruel hate of sinful man
Spared not his infancy.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem,
But home had none on earth;
A pilgrim and a stranger he,
An exile from his birth.

My Lord was born in Bethlehem.
He died, but rose again.
Rich is the gift his death hath bought—
New life for sinful men.
—Ethelbert D. Warfield in Independent.

Each fly that finds a refuge indoors this winter may have about two billion descendants next year.

For Past Favors and CHRISTMAS TRADE- THANKS!

Smith's Store, Genoa, N. Y.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

We take this opportunity to thank our customers for our big business of this season which shows an increase of 200 per cent. over 1915. We shall be better fitted to serve you in 1917, after making improvements which we contemplate: viz., free air, power plant, wash rack, &c., &c.

Don't miss our Big Spring Opening Announcement in March. We have a number of big surprises for you in all lines.

Don't take chances: Weed Chains for slippery roads--All sizes in stock Thermite, the radiator anti-freeze of quality, in stock--Get a can and play safe.

Fresh Dry Cells, Spark Plugs, Ford repair parts, bulbs, patches, etc., etc., at right prices

Try Perma-Loc, the new patching material, sticks like bark on a tree.

Last but not least: The everlastingly good GOODYEAR tires. Ask the man who uses them.

Yours for a square deal always.

The Genoa Garage,

AGENCY FOR FORD, MAXWELL AND BUICK MOTOR CARS.

John B. Mastin, Prop.



Best Day of the Year.
Tis a beautiful time when Christmas comes,
All up the street and down,
For hearts slight make faces bright,
When Christmas comes to town,
Neighbor and friend in gladness meet,
There are greetings far and near,
When the Christmas peace birds avail come
In the holiest day of the year.

Special Profit-Sharing Sale
Ellison's Store,
King Ferry - New York.
Every Saturday.
10% Cash Discount

on all your purchases.

FIRST-CLASS GROCERIES, MEATS and BAKED GOODS

GIFTS FOR EVERYBODY!

Here are a few suggestions from our large stock of Christmas goods:

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| TOILET SETS IN BOXES | PRETTY BOUDOIR CAPS |
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| INFANTS' JACKETS AND BOOTEES | SILK AND KNITTED SCARFS |
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TINSEL GARLANDS, CANDLES, ETC., FOR CHRISTMAS TREES.

**Mrs. D. E. Singer's Cash Store,
Genoa, N. Y.**

Your Problems

will be easily solved when you step in and see my display.
Suitable Gifts for every member of the family.

Come in To-day.
Genoa Clothing Store.



Don't Wait
Phone Early
We'll help with that
Christmas Dinner.

Hagin's Store

Village and Vicinity News.

—Christmas Monday next.
 —Don't forget to feed the birds during the winter season.
 —We wish every reader of THE TRIBUNE a truly happy Christmas.
 —Mr. and Mrs. John Gruner of Auburn were Sunday guests of Rev. and Mrs. Scott.
 —To be dependable—to be singled out as one who accomplishes things—is a tremendous asset.
 —Genoa Union school will close to-day for the holiday vacation, which extends to Jan. 2.
 —Mrs. Frances Smith returned to her home in Canisteo to-day, after spending several weeks here.
 —Mrs. Clara Whitten returned recently from Michigan to spend the holidays at her home near this village.
 —Christmas exercises in the Presbyterian church this evening, and in the Baptist church to-morrow (Saturday) evening.
 —Dr. M. K. Willoughby of Auburn was in town Tuesday in consultation in the case of the Italian child, who has been ill for some time.
 —Mrs. Genevieve Dresser Gaston and her son, Luis, of Havana, Cuba, are spending the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Dresser of Ithaca.
 —Miss Eleanor Sharp is expected to arrive from Wellesley to-day (Friday) to spend the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Sharp.
SPECIAL SALE—In Men's and Boys' mackinaw coats, sweaters, pants and underwear. Big line to select from at Robt. and H. P. Mastin's.
 —Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Cheesman of Atwater leave to-day for New York to spend the holidays with the former's niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas White.
 —The Genoa Baptist Ladies' Aid society will serve supper in the church parlors Friday evening, Dec. 29, from 5 to 7 o'clock. Free will offering. They will also have aprons on sale.
 —Still a short time to finish shopping for the holidays. Our merchants were never as well prepared to serve you for the holiday season as this year. Give them the benefit of your patronage.
 —The Five Corners and West Genoa W. C. T. U. will hold their regular business meeting and white ribbon dinner at the home of Mrs. Paul Fabo on Wednesday, Dec. 27. All are cordially invited.
 —Do not decorate your Christmas tree with paper, cotton or other inflammable material, and do not use lighted candles. Many lives are lost and much property destroyed every Christmas time that might be prevented.
 Beautiful flowers for all occasions—Potted plants, wreaths or bouquets. Hagin's.
 —A new 73-ton locomotive of the mogul type was delivered to the Short Line last Friday and will be used principally in hauling freight. The new brick roundhouse at Auburn, erected at an expense of about \$5,000 to replace the one destroyed by fire, was completed in time to receive the new locomotive.
 —John Nolan of Genoa died Monday evening in the Auburn City hospital, where he had been a patient for several weeks. Mr. Nolan was 72 years old and survived his wife but two months. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Joseph Eldredge of Boston, and a brother, Thomas Nolan of Genoa. The funeral was held Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock at the home of Thomas Nolan in Genoa with services at 10:30 o'clock at the Church of Our Lady of the Lake, King Ferry. Interment at King Ferry.
 —History is repeating itself in this section and like tobacco in Virginia, potatoes and cabbage were legal tender here this fall. A farmer would fill his pockets with potatoes and exchange them at any of the stores for a bill of groceries that would last the family for several days; for what cabbage he could carry in his arms one farmer bought a brass bed and received 87 cents in change, while another whose old hen turkey brought her setting safely through the perils of infancy drove the flock to town and took back a Ford fully equipped and a pair of extra tires.—Sherburne cor., Court.

—Swat the December fly is the new slogan on flies.
 —Geo. T. Sill is expected home from Chicago to spend the holiday vacation at his home here.
 —The dates of the New York State Fair at Syracuse have been set for Sept. 10-16, 1917.
 —Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Holden of Auburn left Monday to spend the winter in the South.
 —Born, Dec. 13, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Karn of West Groton, formerly of Genoa, a son—Ernest Monroe.
 —Mrs. Steinburg of Auburn is spending some time at Mrs. D. W. Gower's while under treatment by Dr. Skinner.
 —Gordon Smith will return to Genoa Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Smith.
 —The annual meeting of the Associated Academic Principals of the State will be held in Syracuse, Dec. 28, 29 and 30.
 —A vein of salt, 62 feet in thickness, has been struck by the drillers at the test well for gas, two miles north of Groton.
 Buy the genuine cut glass and silverware at Robt. and H. P. Mastin's.
 —The King Ferry Fire Co. will give a dance in Rafferty's hall, King Ferry, on Friday evening, Dec. 29. Smith's full orchestra. —adv.
 —James Johnson died Dec. 3 at his home in Homer, aged 99 years. Probably he was the oldest veteran of the civil war in Central New York.
 —John Snyder, formerly of Scipio, who now resides with his daughter, Mrs. Jerome Howell, in Auburn, celebrated his 91st birthday on Sunday last. Mr. Snyder has numerous relatives in this vicinity.
 —Invincible lodge, I. O. O. F., of Five Corners will give a Holiday dance in their hall, Five Corners, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 27. Music by Smith's orchestra of Genoa. Everybody invited. —adv.
 —The New York State Fish, Game and Forest league in session at Buffalo adopted a resolution declaring for a state license law for cats and the destruction of all vagrant felines as one of the worst pests from which the farmer suffers.
 —Ithaca firemen are trying to secure for that city the next convention of the Central New York Volunteer Firemen's association, which will be held next August. The selection of a place is left to the executive committee of the association.
 Big line of clocks and watches to select from at old prices at Robt. & H. P. Mastin's.
 —It is estimated that Onondaga farmers have many thousands of bushels of potatoes in their cellar bins, held for higher prices; \$1.75 per bushel is now asked and holders hope to get \$2. Orleans county farmers are also said to be holding their potato crop with a hope of getting \$2 a bushel.
 —Plans are being prepared for a new plant for the Remington Salt Company near Ithaca, to replace the buildings destroyed by fire Nov. 19. The work of clearing away the ruins and debris of the old plant is already under way, and construction on the new building is expected to begin within a month.
 —Eldred Wright of Weedsport claims to be the oldest newspaper salesman having started when a small boy as a newsboy. Mr. Wright has been engaged in the news and tobacco business in Weedsport for thirty years. He is a veteran of the civil war during which he was in seven battles and was twice wounded.
 Buy your rugs, all sizes up to 12x15 at Robt. & H. P. Mastin's, Genoa. Prices lower than elsewhere.
 —Mrs. Peter Hall died at her home south and west of this village on Sunday last, at the age of 61 years, from a complication of diseases. She had been a great sufferer from asthma and heart trouble for years. The funeral was held at her late home Tuesday with burial at North Lansing. Surviving are the husband, three sons and a daughter.
 —The Tompkins county Board of Supervisors by a vote of 12 to 3 adopted a resolution changing the time of holding town meetings from the second Tuesday in February to general election day in November in odd-numbered years. As a result there will be no town meetings and the election of town officers will be deferred until next November. The term of office of the supervisors is extended through 1917.

"I shall not pass this way again. May I be courteous to men, Faithful to friends, true to my God, A fragrance on the path I trod."
 —Nearly 100 cases of measles are reported at Canastota.
 —Alaska gold mines milled 167,700 tons of ore in November.
 —Snow and sleighing for Christmas. It doesn't act like a very mild winter so far.
 —Toledo health authorities have begun an open window campaign in a fight against pneumonia.
 —L. G. Farmer of Pulaski has just finished picking 245 quarts of fall strawberries from one acre.
 —Let us mind our own business, and work for self by working for the good of all.—Elbert Hubbard.
 —Several farmers in Niagara county who raised horseradish this year have sold their crops for \$3.50 a bushel.
 —W. B. Georgia, aged 67, a resident of Ithaca for more than 30 years, died suddenly of heart disease Saturday evening last.
 —There are three sets of twins who attend the district school at Loomis, Delaware county. The teacher is growing cross-eyed.
SPECIAL SHOE SALE—Just received a big line in ladies' high top shoes at lower prices than elsewhere at Robt. and H. P. Mastin's.
 —Fred C. Evans of Ithaca was selected by the Tompkins county Board of Supervisors last week as county superintendent of highways to succeed Arthur S. Cole.
 —The children's department of the Utica Masonic Home is to be dedicated with appropriate exercises on Jan. 1. The new building will cost \$100,000 and will accommodate 1,000 children.
 —The constitutionality of the law prohibiting the admission of children under 16 years of age to motion picture theatres unless accompanied by parents or guardians is upheld by the State Court of Appeals.
 —I. B. Weager, formerly a produce buyer of Cato and Interlaken, died Dec. 9 in Rochester, where he had made his home for several years. Burial at Cato. Mr. Weager was born in the town of Victory in 1850.
 —By the will of the late Sarah Arnold the Arnold property in Homer, valued at \$4,000, is left to the Homer Academy and High school as an endowment to assist pupils of the school who seek a higher education.
 Buy your canned goods, Chase & Sanborn teas and coffee at low prices. R. & H. P. Mastin, Genoa.
 —The Jewish Orphan Asylum of Western New York has opened its new home in Rochester. The home is made up of three handsome brick buildings, equipped in the most up-to-date fashion and having a capacity for sixty children. The buildings cost nearly \$100,000.
 —The LeRoy Plow Company has purchased the interests of the Cambridge Steel Plow Company at Cambridge, N. Y., and the interests of the latter company's products will be transferred to LeRoy. This added line will necessitate the operation of the plant continuously.
 —A sentence of 20 years to life in Auburn prison was imposed Saturday morning on Alfonso Reida, found guilty by a Supreme Court jury of murder in the second degree, in the shooting and killing of Joseph DeJoy, the Italian grocer and saloon keeper on the morning of May 11 last.

Christmas Day Suggestions.

There is still time to secure THAT GIFT, do not let this Christmas season pass without remembering all your friends. I still have an elegant selection of Watches, Clocks, Ivory and unusual gifts at very low prices—You have all day Saturday to secure your gifts. Come early and make your selection in time for Christmas.

A. T. HOYT,
 Leading Jeweler & Optometrist,
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Supper and Sale.

The sale and supper held by the ladies of the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening was a great success, and the ladies are much pleased with the result of their efforts. The total receipts were \$120 and the net receipts were a little over \$113. About 180 people were served at supper. The booths containing the articles for sale were very prettily decorated, some in holiday colors—green and red—and others in the national colors. Great interest was manifested in the parcel post packages and they were all sold in a short time, the amount received from this sale being \$13.50. It is interesting to know that these packages were received from all parts of the United States from New York city to Riverside, Calif., Spokane, Wash., Cleveland, Ohio, from Florida and many other places. The fancy articles netted the sum of \$22.80, the candy \$12.50, and the corner grocery so ably conducted by the young men, \$21.65. The boys' class turned in \$3.40 as their share of the receipts. Everything that remained after the regular sale was sold at auction. A program of music was rendered during the evening. Those participating included Miss Frech and C. H. Baker, piano and cornet; Miss Lockward, piano solos; Misses Mastin and Bush, piano duet; Miss Huribut, banjo, with Miss Frech, piano; Miss Hunter, vocal solos; and a reading by Mrs. Ernest Mead, "The Unexpected Gift." The ladies wish to extend hearty thanks to all who contributed to the sale and supper and to all who assisted in the preparations and in any way aided them in making such a success of the affair.

Ithaca Auburn Short Line

Central New York Southern Railroad Corporation.
 In Effect Sept. 21, 1914. Corrected to Nov. 11, 1915

SOUTHBOUND—Read Down				STATIONS				NORTHBOUND—Read Up			
27	23	421	21	31	11	422	22	24	28		
Daily	Daily	Sunday Only	Daily Except Sun.	Daily Except Sun.	Daily Except Sun.	Sunday Only	Daily Except Sun.	Daily	Daily		
6:40	7:00	8:30	8:30	6:45	AUBURN	9:20	11:09	11:27	5:00	9:09	
6:55	7:04	8:45	8:43	7:30	Mapleton	9:05	10:54	11:14	4:45	8:46	
7:05	7:14	8:56	8:53	7:11	Merrifield	8:53	10:43	11:04	4:35	8:36	
7:12	7:22	9:05	9:01	7:20	Venice Center	8:44	10:34	10:56	4:27	8:28	
7:24	7:33	9:20	9:12	7:33	GENOA	8:29	10:19	10:45	4:16	8:15	
7:33	7:41	9:31	9:21	7:43	North Lansing	8:18	10:08	10:36	4:06	8:06	
7:45	7:53	9:39	9:32	7:56	South Lansing	8:05	9:55	10:26	3:55	7:55	
8:10	8:15	10:15	9:56	8:35	ITHACA	7:30	9:20	10:00	3:30	7:45	
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Trains No. 21 and 23 going South, and No. 22 and 24 going North are the motor cars and do NOT stop at Flag stations. Sunday trains No. 422 and 421 are the motor cars and these stop at all stations.
 Additional Trains between Ithaca and Rogues Harbor leave Ithaca 10:00 (daily except Sunday) 12:15 (Sunday only) 2:00 and 4:40 daily and 9:30 p. m. (Saturday only.) Also leave Rogues Harbor at 10:40 a. m. (daily except Sunday) 12:50 (Sunday only) 2:35 and 5:15 p. m., daily, and 10:05 p. m. Saturday only.



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Auction Sales.

The auction sale of J. Leon Mack, 1 mile north of Genoa village, was postponed to Saturday, Dec. 23, at 12 o'clock—8 horses, 4 cows, farming machinery, etc. L. B. Norman, auctioneer.
 The undersigned will sell at the residence, one-half mile north of King Ferry, on Saturday, Dec. 30, at 12 o'clock sharp, 3 good horses, 22 ewes to lamb early, ram, Rhode Island Red hens, large quantity farming implements and household furnishings of all kinds, everything to be sold. Stephen Myers, auct.
 Alfred Avery,
 By Horace W. Avery, attorney.
Special School Meeting.
 Notice is hereby given that a special school meeting will be held in the High school building in the village of Genoa, N. Y., on Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1917, at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of voting on the sale of the three vacant schoolhouses and lots included in Dist. No. 6.
 Dated Dec. 12, 1916.
 21w4 J. Mulvaney, Dist. Clerk.



HOLIDAY MAKING in the NAVY

At home ports or at sea extra good rations during the Christmas holidays are now a special feature on the United States warships. The supplies now served are in marked contrast with those obtainable on the vessels of the old navy far from home. Whenever possible the ships are ordered to home ports for Christmas. Shortly after arrival the men are put to work. Inside and out—in cabins, in wardroom and about the deck—there is a swarm of seamen at work. Some will be painting, and others will be polishing metal work, railings, the monster guns and brass instruments on the bridge.

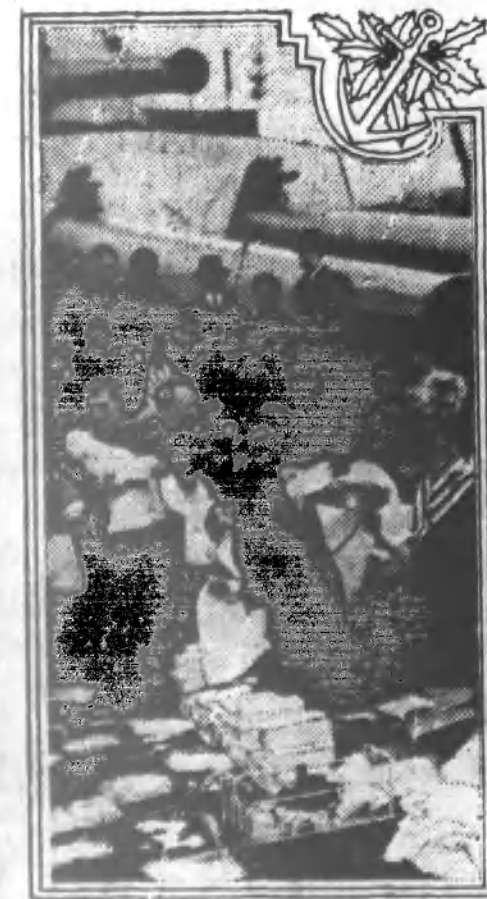
Shortly before Christmas all the work will have been completed. The ships will be spick and span, and the seamen will begin to prepare for land. Those who are to go to their homes in the south, middle west, New England and elsewhere probably will leave in time to reach home on Christmas. Others will save expenses by remaining aboard ship. Hundreds of the good conduct men will have a whole week's furlough, and when these return others will go away.

Some of the men on furlough will not go home at all. This may be because their money will be too low to warrant the expense of a long journey or it may be that they will hear the call of the big cities. At any rate they will arrange it nicely. They will spend the days ashore and regard their ships as hotels, whither they may repair at night.

They need not bother about the time of leaving or of reporting, and they may sleep long after the bosun's whistle has shrilled on the gun deck.

Aside from the big dinner on Christmas, there probably will be no set functions, no minstrel shows, boxing contests or theatricals. The trouble with any such programs will be the absence on furlough of the indispensable end man or the popular tenor. The night before Christmas the popular streets will be filled with sailors in their wide trousers and their high colored pea jackets.

When they get enough of feasting or acting or singing inside the steel covered hull there is the open sea on which they row or sail for prizes, sometimes competing among themselves, sometimes racing against the men of another vessel from home or against the crew of a vessel from another country. Added to all these possibilities of diversion there is often the trip ashore, if the anchor happens to be lying near



Distributing Gifts on a Battleship.

a port offering inducement for Christmas or New Year's revels.

If one has a son, brother or a friend among the men serving on the ships of the American fleet in the far east to whom one proposes sending Christmas gifts, the following, taken from a little monthly published on one of the American battleships at Yokohama, is fittingly:

"Should you wish to send him wearing apparel, a pair of pink garters would not be out of order, as these he wears, but the pay department has overlooked them in the 'small stores.' Towels and handkerchiefs are acceptable, and a jackknife is a good thing. The bell strikes every half hour aboard ship, but a watch might save his being late for the liberty boat. If you send him a good fountain pen he may remember you more frequently with interest, and if he smokes send him a pipe, but cut out hand-painted neckties, cravat pins, slipper cases, collar stays and embroidered pillowcases. Fancy socks will surely catch the eagle eye of his division officer, and these he will be up against 'nonreg.' or worse he would appreciate any thing on his head, yet many things get washed in the bottom of his bag while he is away. All his time is out."—New York Evening Post.

Christmas Cribs of the Tyrol

THE Christmas cribs, showing the first resting place of the infant Christ, which one sees occasionally in the churches of this country are not to be compared with those of Europe, especially the remarkable ones made by the peasants of Italy and of the Tyrol. In the latter country there has been of recent years a decided revival of interest in these groups representing the nativity of Christ.

It is not unusual to see one with several hundred figures. Not alone the birth of the Saviour, but the adoration of the shepherds, the arrival of the kings with their soldiers and courtiers, the flight into Egypt, Jesus in the temple, and even the marriage at Cana are represented.

The Tyrol's cribs have been famous for centuries, and the people were justly proud of them until the spirit of "modern enlightenment" invaded the land and crib building was denounced as child's play. Enterprising antiquarians and art sellers eagerly bought up all the old cribs and then sold them at good profit to tourists.

Many fine specimens have disappeared from the land, but fortunately a few of the best were acquired by national museums. The best two Tyrol is known to have had, the "Ursulinenkrippe" of Innsbruck and the Moser crib of Bozen, are now in the Bavarian National museum at Munich. A third, the Jaufenthaler crib, is in the Vienna museum.

Originally it belonged to a family in Wiltzen, now a part of Innsbruck. It contained 154 animal figures, 24 buildings and 256 human figures. It included solid woodcarvings, figures the heads of which were wax and others whose heads and limbs were movable. Some of these date back as far as the year 1700. Seven scenes were represented.

The Moser crib of Bozen was much more extensive. Moser's "city" was in itself a masterpiece and included palaces, gushing fountains, monuments of King David and towers with six city clocks striking the hours of the night. It was valued at more than \$5,000 during Moser's lifetime.

The Ursulines' crib was particularly famous on account of the gorgeous dressing of the figures. The angels were clad as courtiers of heaven in the rich court costumes of the seventeenth century.

These masterpieces are now lost to Tyrol. It can hardly cause surprise, then, that serious minded men began to entertain grave fears for their remaining works of art. This fear had a practical result in the formation of a society whose object was to prevent in future the reckless exportation and selling of old cribs and to revive the spirit that produced them.

Tyrolean cribs may be divided into two general classes, the oriental type and the Tyrolean. In the latter class the crib owner takes it for granted that Christ was born in Tyrol, hence scenery, people and dress are purely Tyrolean. In all the cribs the stable of Bethlehem is either the ruin of a castle (according to legend, Christ first saw the light of day in the ruins of the tower of David) or a part of a temple to show that the stable of Bethlehem was the first Christian temple, or else it is a simple cave on the mountain side.

The stable of Bethlehem and its inmates always remain the center of the great scene, the rest is merely the setting. The crib means much to the family. After weeks of careful, painstaking labor everything is ready, but the holy family is not there. After supper on Christmas eve the parents, domestics and children gather about the crib, the gospel scene is read aloud, and the little ones, quick to detect the absence of the "Christkind," are told that the holy family are still seeking a shelter and finding none. The sadness that at first expresses itself in their innocent faces soon gives way to joy as they recall that perhaps there is room in their own home—at least they will make room. At midnight the solemn church bells call all to mass, and when the family returns, lo! there lies the infant in the manger, while Mary and Joseph kneel in humble adoration at its side.

CHRISTMAS CARDS



EATING Christmas Dinners in Public

CHRISTMAS began with the greatest charity the world has ever known. To do others good has become almost synonymous with the day. The same spirit that guided the star now guides humanity into the homes of the needy. It brings universal love into most hearts and with it a desire to help those who are not quite so fortunate, says Katharine McClure Sherrard in the Boston Herald. The poorest laborer, if he thinks of it, may experience sympathy for some lonely, unloved millionaire, desolate in his big, dreary mansion; so may the mil-



Eating Their Christmas Dinner.

lionaire feel a little tug at his heart and remember the poor.

It is characteristic of the day that the most widely separated classes are often sorry, each for the other. That is why at holiday time the rich especially put money into circulation. It has been roughly calculated that in New York alone \$25,000,000 is spent every Christmas time. From what I can learn from charity organizations, it would not be an extreme estimate to say that in the entire United States nearly a billion dollars changes hands at this open hearted season of the year. Of course, this does not mean a billion dollars' worth of charity; it means the money spent upon Christmas in every form. Still, a great part is charity.

To give a dinner on Christmas delights the hearts of many rich men. The annual Christmas "blow out" given by the late Timothy D. Sullivan to the poor of the lower east side of New York has become known throughout the country. Every year "Big Tim" filled about 6,000 people with food and good cheer. In addition everybody received a \$2 bill and a new pair of shoes. The Sullivan dinners, which have been carried on by his heirs, used up 5,000 pounds of turkey and chicken, twenty barrels of potato salad, ten boxes of celery, 2,000 loaves of bread, 4,000 pies, 250 gallons of coffee and forty kegs of beer. Being a politician, Sullivan distributed charity in many forms throughout the year, but those who knew him well say that he looked forward with the eagerness of a boy to the feeding of "his homeless" on Christmas day.

The government sees that the army and navy receive a very good Christmas dinner, but Uncle Sam dispenses no charity. Mrs. F. J. Shepard (Helen Gould) always makes it a point to send some appropriate present to the naval branches of the Young Men's Christian association, and on board many battleships go boxes filled with tobacco, reading matter and other things to gladden the hearts of the sailors. It is significant that at Christmas her name is cheered by every ear in the United States navy.

This giving of Christmas dinners is a favorite New York charity. Even the big restaurants and hotels do it. Last year one gave 400 dinners to the poor. Another sent out 500 dinners beautifully packed in separate containers. The proprietor of a well known grocery house leaves his home every Christmas long enough to play host to a thousand "little mothers." John D. Crimmins is another who delights in feeding the poor. One year he entertained old people and helped to wait on the table himself. There is told of him that he waited on one Ellen McCarthy, ninety-seven years old, an inmate of a home. After seeing she had all the turkey she wanted he asked: "Have you room for a charlotte russe, Mrs. McCarthy?" "For who, sorr?"

"This is a dainty, something good to eat," he explained.

"Thank yer kindly. May heaven be your bed when you die," she said as she received the paper cylinder and studied the way in which to dispose of the contents.

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A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

The best that this store can wish you—that you be as happy and successful during the coming year as we have been during the one just closing, is extended to all our friends.

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Had the Christmas Spirit

Christmas Day.

To rule and reign with gentle sway
The King of Love was born to-day.
No palace walls inclosed him round.
But in a manger was he found.
That so the beautiful world might see
The greatness of humility.

He came, a child, in lowly grace,
That so a child might seek his face.
So poor was he the humblest born
Might come without a fear of scorn.
To all mankind he showed the way
And ushered in the dawn of day.

And so with grateful love and praise
We hail this blessed day of days,
The children's joy, the poor man's feast,
The star of hope to great and least.
When holy angels come to earth
And sing anew a Saviour's birth.

I don't know whether I would be considered a good fellow or not. Society has decreed that I was a bad fellow and has segregated me for a period. In spite of the fact that I transgressed the law I am being clothed and fed and taken care of, while hundreds of people especially children whose only crime is poverty, are actually suffering for the bare necessities of life and through no fault of their own are facing the Christmas season with scant hope of happiness.

I am sending \$2, which I hope you will be able to use in some small measure to bring gladness to some little one. You need have no fear of this money being returned, for it was humbly earned at the rate of 15 cents a day.

I have two little girls of my own, and while I am sending them their Christmas money, I am sure they will be glad that I shared with some others less fortunate.

Yours in Christmas spirit,
INMATE MICHIGAN STATE PRISON,
Jackson, Mich.

NO newspaper can succeed without advertising, therefore we solicit the patronage of our readers for those who by their advertising help to make this paper possible.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice to Creditors.

By virtue of an order granted by the Surrogate of Cayuga County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate of Alfred A. Mastia, late of the town of Genoa, Cayuga County, N. Y., deceased, are required to present the same with vouchers in support thereof to the undersigned, the administratrix of & c., of said deceased, at the store of F. C. Hagin, in the village of Genoa, on or before the 9th day of May, 1917.

Date Nov 9, 1916
Alice M. Hagin, Administratrix

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The Realm of Christmas Fancy

To the realms of Christmas fancy
I must speed away, away,
Where the elf's of joy are dancing
And the sprites of pleasure play.
I must go where gentle fairies
Whisper softly on the air
And the gift king waves his scepter
Over blessings sweet and rare.

Childhood's realm of Christmas fancy
Once again shall feast my eyes
With the old time love and rapture,
With the old time fond surprise.
In the flickering hearthstone shadows,
In the music and the mirth,
Once again each dear remembrance
Speaks good will and peace on earth.

In the realms of Christmas fancy
I shall very shortly see
All the old, beloved memories
Coming back to gladden me.
Long forgotten forms and faces,
Long departed thoughts and dreams,
I shall find in those fair vistas
Where the Christmas glory streams.
—Lurana Sheldon in New York Times.

Hosts of young men are reckless because they believe that by and by they can be what they will. Hosts of old men are hopeless because it seems impossible that they can ever be anything but what they are. Both are wrong.—Phillips Brooks.

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right around your home, just as hundreds of men and women are doing. Work is easy, pleasant and permanently profitable. Be your own boss and build your own business. You take no risk, make sure profit right along. Send name, address, one reference. L. BROWN, 66 Murray St., New York City.

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There Are Many

people who think it is no use to try to save unless they have a large amount to start with. To those we say, "Bring in what you have, even if only a dollar, and start your account now."

To Wait

until you have a fair sized amount is to lose the interest on what you have.

The Spirit of Christmas

Is no more enduring than the joy of possessing beautiful gifts in jewelry. Come in to-day and see our wonderful assortment of

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Have you bought all of your Christmas Gifts for the man of the house? If not, and you are finding it necessary to economize in order to cope with the advancing high cost of living, why not combine in a Christmas Gift something that he will have to buy anyway?

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Christmas Five Adventure

ONCE on a time in a queer little town On the shore of the Zuyder Zee, When all the good people were fast asleep, A strange thing happened to me.

Along the night before Christmas, I sat by the glowing fire, Watching the flame as it roared and fell, While the sparks shot higher and higher.

Suddenly one of the sparks began To flicker and glimmer and wink Like a big, bright eye till I hardly knew What to do or to say or to think.

Quick as a flash it changed to a face, And what in the world did I see But dear old Santa Claus nodding his head And waving his hand to me!

"Oh, follow me, follow me!" soft he cried, And up through the chimney with him I mounted, not daring to utter a word Till we stood on the chimney's rim.

"Now, tell me, I beg you, dear Santa Claus, Where am I going with you?" He laughingly answered: "Why, don't you know? To travel the wide world through.

"From the crystal palace, far in the north, I have come since dark, and see These curious things for the little folk Who live on the Zuyder Zee."

Then, seating himself in his reindeer sledge And drawing me down by his side, He whistled, and off on the wings of the wind We flew for a midnight ride.

But first such comical presents he left For the little Dutch girls and boys— Onions and sausages, wooden faced dolls, Cheese and gingerbread toys.

Soldiers that marched at the word of command, Necklaces, bracelets and rings, Tiny gold watches, all studded with gems, And hundreds of exquisite things.

Straight to America then, where I, Perched on a chimney high, Watched him scramble and bustle about Between the earth and sky.

Many a stocking he filled to the brim, And numberless Christmas trees Burst into bloom at his magical touch.

Then all of a sudden a breeze Caught us and bore away to the south And afterward blew us out west, And never till dawn peeped over the hills Did we stop for a moment's rest.

"Christmas is coming!" he whispered to me, "You can see his smile in the sky, I wish merry Christmas to all the world. My work is over. Goodby!"

Like a flash he was gone, and I was alone, For all of this happened to me Once on a time in a queer little town On the shore of the Zuyder Zee.

"Who Gave Us Christmas Day?" A happy, happy Christmas Be yours today! Oh, not the falling measure Of feeding earthly pleasure, But Christmas for abiding, While years are swiftly gliding. Be yours, I pray, Through him who gave us Christmas Day!

The Mistletoe Legend.

The harmless and good old Christmas custom of kissing under the mistletoe is a perennial source of discussion and dispute, but have you any idea how it originated? This is the story:

Balder, the Scandinavian god of poetry and eloquence—so says the legend—sought immunity from the violence of his enemies by extracting from everything, in earth, fire and water, a promise to do him no hurt. Foolishly, he forgot to obtain this assurance from mistletoe, and Loki, his great enemy, on learning this induced a hireling to shoot Balder with an arrow made from a bough of mistletoe.

Now, the other gods and goddesses on hearing of the death of Balder, who was a great favorite with them, prayed that out of the love they bore him he might be restored to life. Thus when this came to pass, mistletoe, instead of being an emblem of death, became the emblem of love and as such was given to the goddess of love to keep and guard, while every one who passed under the bough she held in her hand was expected to salute her with a tender kiss.

Father and Mother Christmas

IT was that sanguine Celt, the late William Flynn, Esq., a writer in the Indianapolis News, who remarked on the morning of March 13, the day following the ovation to the memory of Erin's patron saint, when Mr. Flynn had ridden at the head of the procession, "An' now, gentlemen, 'tis this day we'll begin to get ready for St. Patrick's day—sure it's only a year away."

Of Father Christmas, with his arctic whiskers, we neither senior nor junior hear until about six weeks before the twenty-fifth day of December, and then he sometimes presents himself as a purely commercial character flamboyantly in the public eye.

Mother Christmas, of whom we rarely hear, dear, kind hearted, modest dame, who does good by stealth, is on the job 364 days in the year, putting this and that aside in some cryptic corner to be brought from its hiding place at the hallowed and gracious time we call Christmas. Whatever the Pilgrim fathers may have brought to this country they certainly brought none of the frivolous fancies we now twine about the day that celebrates the birth of the babe at Bethlehem and the marvelous message of peace on earth, good will to men. The tenderer things attaching to the time came many, many years later and arrived, as far as the middle west was concerned, somewhere along in the fifties with the early German immigrants.

The first Christmas tree ever set up in this city was at the home of a humble German on the south side. All alight with candles, it excited the greatest attention in this community, and in the procession of Christmases that have followed this single tree has been multiplied by thousands.

The tree, with its lights and adorning, is an ancient custom in Germany, coming down from the middle ages. In this new country we have no traditions, no fine old customs except such as our immigrants have been kind enough to bring over with them, and truly none of these is as wholesome and pleasing as those that are attached to Christmas eve and Christmas day. We have some trouble perhaps at times in framing our lips to pronounce the names that come to us from abroad for Father Christmas. It is not easy for us to say Kris Kringle, and when we have said it we have but given the beautiful term "Krist Kindlstein," infant Christ, after a badly twisted fashion. The French, who use the term, "le petit Jesus," the infant Jesus, do much better. We save ourselves, however, with the designation "Santa Claus," which is Dutch for St. Nicholas.

Two Christmas Gifts.

"One year, when cash was the scarcest thing on this farm," a farmer said, "I marked off a small plot in my truck garden, and on Christmas day I told my boy the use of this plot was all the gift I could afford that year. It was his start toward that truck field, which is paying his way to college."

A dollar and a quarter did not seem a very big sum to Mrs. Blank, who lives near Washington, but it was what she received for some violets sold near Christmas time, and she gave it to her son's daughter. Before the blooming season was over the account had been increased to \$25. This was a dollar and a quarter she had given her daughter a year ago, and the whole thing

Fred Bowers' Scheme

It Worked In a Way He Had Not Counted On

By ETHEL HOLMES

Whatever it is that will induce a man to fail violently in love with a shrew has never been explained. We have stories of men who have committed this paradoxical folly, one only giving an account of what kind of a life the husband lived after marriage. Petruchio in Shakespeare's play of "Taming of a Shrew" brought his wife Katherine to subjection by simply out-heroding Herod, but this is not realistic; it is rather extravagant. Shakespeare wrote the play during the period that shrews in England were brought to terms by the ducking stool, and it is questionable if they remained conquered even after promising to be good.

Ward Stanley was a young man of independent means. He had nothing to do but amuse himself. This he did from May till November in his yacht, the Eaglet. Stanley was at home on the water, his own sailing master, and never gave up the command to any one else. Had he been thrown on his own resources he could have secured a berth as master of a vessel. Fortunately, he possessed the means to run his own ship.

It would have been better for Ward Stanley had he kept his yacht in commission all winter, for in that case he would probably have been removed from the temptation of falling in love with a shrew. As it was, during the festivities attending the ice season he met Sophia Wartrace, and in a very short time she was leading him about with a hook, turning now and again to give him a cut with her sharp tongue.

Nor was it with her tongue alone that she abused him. Skating with him, she led him across an air hole and when he scrambled out dripping with cold water laughed at him. Sniffing with him in an iceboat, she purposely upset it, shooting herself and him a hundred yards over the smooth surface. Rather than forego the delight of risking his life, she risked her own.

There is no denying that Sophia was a very pretty girl. She possessed a trim figure, snapping black eyes and rosy cheeks, which latter fairly glowed when she was enjoying winter sports. But whether or no she would have dominated Stanley had she been as ugly as her tongue was vicious is a question. Many homely women have dominated men. Yet Miss Wartrace's beauty was doubtless an important element in her influence over Stanley.

It was said that she accepted him because a betrothal would enable her to prod him more violently. This was the opinion of her sister Gwen, who was supposed to know her better than any one else. Certain it is that as soon as the engagement took place Stanley's misery was greatly enhanced. Doubtless Sophia occasionally whisked about and coddled him, but she was never seen by others to treat him even with forbearance.

Now and again the poor man turned like the worm. During the first month of their engagement he broke it five times. After the fifth he found so much misery in his endeavors to renew it that he gave up this method of asserting himself and settled down to the abject position of a slave.

Ward's chum, Fred Bowers, aware of his friend's suffering, tried in vain to inject into him a spirit of resistance. After continual failure Bowers advised Stanley to be married and, having once got his fiancée in his power, to try the Petruchio game. The infatuated man assented to the first part of the proposition, though he expressed no confidence in the second. When he asked Sophia to fix a day for the wedding she did so without any urging, but just before the final preparations were to be made she canceled the agreement.

Several times she named a day, only to ignore it. This was the hardest part of all that Stanley was forced to endure. Bowers tried to induce him to go abroad, leaving the shrew to repent her treatment of him and doubtless to be more kind to him on his return. But this was entirely beyond Ward's power to achieve. Several months of such tantalization passed, and the poor fellow began to show signs of a nervous breakdown.

"I'll tell you what you do, Ward," said Fred. "The Eaglet is in commission. Invite your fiancée to take a cruise, and having her out at sea, some method will suggest itself of getting a grip on her. Once without protection, she'll have to give in."

"I can't invite her without inviting other women, can I?" "I have it. Ask my sister, Helen." "We must have a chaperon." "My aunt, Mary Campbell. She's only five years older than I, and we're quite chummy. I can let both Mary and Helen into the secret, and they'll play into our hands beautifully."

we're once out on the high seas that will scare the life out of her."

The party was made up as Bowers proposed. The Eaglet was provisioned and winched. When Miss Mary Campbell and Helen Bowers learned the object of the cruise they were deeply interested. Both agreed to keep the secret from Sophia, though it must be admitted that, she being of their sex, they sympathized with her rather than with her fiancée.

The Eaglet, sailed from the yacht club's docks on an afternoon, and after dinner and an hour or two of pleasant chat on the afterdeck the ladies retired to their staterooms, and Bowers confided his plan to Stanley.

"What I propose," said Fred, "is that we lay to in a cove somewhere. During the night I'll take a part of the crew in the dinghy, and away to the nearest town on the coast, dress up as members of the crew of a German submarine just come over, come back and take possession of the Eaglet and all on board. I'll ask a lot of questions, and you can tell me that Sophia is your fiancée, but keeps putting off the wedding. I'll find a way to scare her into your arms."

Ward listened to this proposition in silence and when it was finished shook his head.

"Don't you think you'll be recognized?" he asked.

"No. Plenty of paint, false whiskers and German togs will do the business. Mary and Helen will be in the secret and they will pretend to be frightened out of their wits. Then, too, we'll come down so suddenly that there'll be no opportunity to look at us dispassionately."

Stanley's reluctant consent was won to a trial of the plan, though his confidence in it was not secured. The yacht was headed for a bay in which there were many islands, and when an advantageous retreat presented itself the Eaglet was run into it and her anchor dropped.

The men proved purposely uninteresting that the ladies might go to bed early, and by 10 o'clock the lights were out and all was quiet on board. Bowers, with half a dozen of the crew, slipped away with muffled oars.

In the morning when all except Bowers were sitting down to breakfast there was a shouting on the shore near by and many Teutonic expressions of disapprobation.

"What is it?" asked one of the girls. "We've struck a supply den for submarines," replied the steward, who had been tipped handsomely and told what to say.

"Heavens!" cried Miss Campbell. "What will become of us?" chimed in Miss Bowers.

Meanwhile the Germans, led by Bowers, pulled for the Eaglet and by the time the ladies had rushed on deck were climbing aboard.

"Who is in command here?" thundered Bowers.

"I am," replied Stanley. "Well, you had discovered our depot of stores. You tell orders. De Yankee navy come and rout us out."

This was said with terrible ferocity. "We'll keep your secret," pleaded Miss Campbell. "Please don't kill us!" "How I know that? Dead peoples tell no tales."

Turning to Stanley, the German asked for information of the different members of the party. Skillfully leading up to the relationship between Stanley and Miss Wartrace, Stanley gave the required information.

"Ach," cried the German, evidently disgusted, "you Americans spoil your women! No German woman would dare do that!"

"I'm not a German, if you please," replied Sophia, with an ominous flash of her eyes.

"Var you say?" "I said you're a brute." "You say that? You marry me right away, I show how we Shermans make a wife behave herself. I say, Shuster, kommen sie hier!"

One of the Germans advanced. He was a young minister and had been shipped by Bowen with the crew of the Eaglet for a purpose.

"Marry me to this woman," said the German.

"I won't," said Sophia. "I give you your choice. You marry me or this gentleman," pointing to Stanley.

"I'll marry neither of you," replied Sophia defiantly. "Drop her in de water!" cried the German to his men. Several men advanced and were about to pretend to carry out the threat when Sophia called a halt.

"I'll marry one of you," she said.

"Which one?" asked the German. "You."

This was too much for Miss Campbell and Miss Bowers, both of whom burst into laughter. That was the end of the effort to control the untractable Sophia. Bowers shrank back, abashed. Stanley looked at his fiancée in astonishment.

"Do you mean that?" he asked.

"Yes, I do. Between the two of you I prefer the German."

The masqueraders disbanded, and all sat down to breakfast, for the attempt either to deceive or coerce Miss Wartrace had proved a failure. When the party returned to their starting point she had given Stanley to understand that all was off between them.

Miss Wartrace was also free from Stanley, free to turn the head of another man. Her subsequent career proved that a willful woman is easier to be cured of her willfulness than that her master. Sophia married a man with none of the gentler qualities, but plenty of the brute. In his hands she was as gentle as a dove. There is no evidence that he is treated any less as a brute than she was when she was in his hands. It is true that she is now a

Don't Open Till Christmas

A certain chap in Chicago last Christmas almost made a reputation as a joker by using the tags marked "Don't open until Christmas." But he didn't use them on packages that cost money. Nor much! What he did was to buy a lot of penny Christmas postcards, and on each one he stuck a tag. "Don't open till Christmas."

Then he sent them to all his friends, and they were so tickled with the idea that they never thought about how cheaply he had got off. Mind over matter, see?

And nearly as funny as the joke was the fact that a lot of women who received these cards soaked them in warm water and split them open, or tried to split them open, in the firm belief that the cards could really be opened.

Christmas Poetry

WITH gentle deeds and kindly thoughts
And loving words withal,
Welcome the merry Christmas on
And hear a brother's call.
—F. Lawrence.

Christmas comes, he comes, he comes,
Ushered with a rain of plums.
Hollies in the windows greet him,
Every mouth delights to name him
Schools come driving home to meet
him
Wet and cold and wind and dark
Make him but the warmer mark.
—Leigh Hunt

Long ere the dawn can claim the sky
The tempest rolls subservient by,
While bells on all sides ring and say:
How Christ the child was born to day
—Lord Houghton.

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep,
God is not dead, nor doth he sleep,
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail,
With peace on earth, good will to men.
—Longfellow.

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**Delights of Christmas
An Ancient Poem**

When Christmas approaches each bosom is gay,
That festival banishes sorrow away,
While Richard he kisses both Susan and Dolly
When tripping the house up with ivy and holly,
For never as yet it was counted a crime
To be merry and cherry at that happy time.

Then come turkey and chine, with the famous roast beef,
Of English provisions still reckoned the chief.
Roger wishes the cook maid his wishes to crown,
"Oh, Dolly, pray give me a bit of the brown!"
For never as yet it was counted a crime
To be merry and cherry at that happy time.

The luscious plum pudding does smoking appear,
And the charming mince pie is not far from the rear.
Then each licks his chops to behold such a sight,
For to taste it affords him superior delight,
For never as yet it was counted a crime
To be merry and cherry at that happy time.

Now the humming October goes merrily round,
And each with good humor is happily crowned,
The song and the dance and the mirth giving jest,
Alike without harm by each one is expressed.
For never as yet it was counted a crime
To be merry and cherry at that happy time.

Twelfth day next approaches to give you delight,
And the sugared rich cake is displayed to the sight;
The man and the maid and the king and the queen
Alike must be present to add to the scene,
For never as yet it was counted a crime
To be merry and cherry at that happy time.

May each be found thus as the year circles round,
With mirth and good humor each Christmas be crowned,
And may all who have plenty of riches in store
With their bountiful blessings make happy the poor,
For never as yet it was counted a crime
To be merry and cherry at that happy time.
—Anonymous.

THE MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS.

Had Its Origin in Germany and is Spreading Here Rapidly.

The celebration of the "community Christmas" in this country originated in a dinner table conversation of a group of artists in New York in 1912. One of the group, a young man who had just returned from study in Germany, was enthusiastic over the community festivals there, and the transplanting of the celebration to the United States had its birth at that time. The first community Christmas tree in this country was the Madison square "Tree of Light" in 1912. Various factors in the life of New York as a community contributed to the arrangement and financing of the tree. Since then the custom has spread to hundreds of cities, towns and villages, which have adapted the idea to their particular needs and circumstances and plan to make it a permanent establishment. The custom has existed in Germany for many years, is in fact an old German tradition and "fest." Specific information as to "what to do and how to do it" in planning and organizing a community festival may be obtained by addressing "The Tree of Light," Postoffice Station G, New York city.

Christmas Island. Christmas Island, in the Pacific ocean, is so named because Captain Cook landed there Christmas day, 1777.

Christmas Time, by Shakespeare. Some say that ever "gaiest that season comes" wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated. The bird of dawn'sing stings all night long. And then, they say, no spirit dare stir abroad; The nights are wholesome: then no planets strike, No fairy takes, nor witch hath power to charm, so hallow'd and so gracious is the time.
—Hamlet, Act I, scene I.

**"MERRY CHRISTMAS,
EVERYBODY!"**



**On the
Day After
Christmas**

OUR word Santa Claus is a corruption of the Dutch San Nicolas, and the story of the original saint from whom the name and the custom come is told in the Encyclopaedia Britannica as follows: "St. Nicholas, bishop of Myra, in Lycia, a saint honored by the Greeks and the Latins on Dec. 6.

"His cult is as celebrated as his history is obscure. All the accounts that have come down to us are of a purely legendary character, and it is impossible to find any single incident confirmed historically.

"The main facts of his life are usually given as follows: He was bishop of Myra at the time of the Emperor Diocletian, was persecuted, tortured for the faith and kept in prison until the more tolerant reign of Constantine and was present at the council of Nicea.

"It should be observed that this last circumstance is ignored by all historians and that St. Athanasius, who knew all the notable bishops of the period, never mentions Nicholas, bishop of Myra. The oldest known monument of the cult of St. Nicholas seems to be the Church of Sts. Priscus and Nicholas built at Constantinople by the Emperor Justinian. In the west the name of St. Nicholas appears in the ninth century records of the martyrs, and churches dedicated to him are to be found at the beginning of the eleventh century. It is more especially, however, from the time of the removal of his body to Bari, in Apulia, that his cult became popular.

"The inhabitants of Bari organized an expedition, seized his remains by means of a ruse and transported them to Bari, where they were received in triumph on the 9th of May, 1087, and where the foundations were laid for a new basilica in his honor. This was the origin of a famous and still popular pilgrimage. There are nearly 400 churches in England dedicated to St. Nicholas. He is the patron saint of Russia, the special protector of children, scholars, merchants and sailors.

"In art St. Nicholas is represented with various attributes, being most commonly depicted with three children standing in a tub by his side. Of the various interpretations of this none is absolutely certain.

"One explanation has been sought in the legend of St. Nicholas miraculously restoring to life three rich youths who had been murdered, cut up and concealed in a salting tub by a thievish innkeeper or butcher in whose house they had taken lodging.

"A legend of his surreptitious bestowal of dowries upon the three daughters of an impoverished citizen who, unable to procure fit marriages for them, was about to sell them is said to have originated the old custom of giving presents in secret on the eve of St. Nicholas, subsequently transferred to Christmas day.

"Hence the association of Christmas with 'Santa Claus,' an American corruption of the Dutch form 'San Nicolaas,' the custom being brought to America by the early Dutch colonists."

When Christmas Comes. While passing days are short and cold and drear, While nights are long, the longest of the year; While cruel winter solstice reigns supreme O'er earth and air, o'er field and wood and stream, Glad Christmas comes with glowing heart of cheer, The brightest, bravest day of all the year.
—Ladies' Home Journal.

**Where Did
Santa Claus
Come From?**

THESE post-Christmas days shine with a light softer but perhaps more comfortable than that of the great feast itself. Particularly is this true of the first day after Christmas, especially when that day is Sunday. In England, of course, as in the time of the late Samuel Pickwick, Esq., who brought about the renaissance of Christmas, this is called boxing day, not because it is the occasion of fistic encounters, but because it is the time appointed for the distribution of those more or less spontaneous expressions of good will which are called Christmas boxes. Its more orthodox title is St. Stephen's day. It is, you know, the day on which the illustrious King Wenceslaus, with the assistance of his page, did his noble dimpling.

We are not old English kings, so instead of having our page bring flesh and wine to the poor man on St. Stephen's day we give a dollar to the youth from the still vexed Bermuthes who chaperons the elevator in our apartment house, and for weeks before Christmas we affix to the flaps of the envelopes containing our letters little stamps bearing so called portraits of St. Nicholas of Bari. Theoretically this last process provides a modicum of Christmas cheer for certain carefully selected and organized poor people.

However this may be, the fact remains that the day after Christmas is a very good day indeed. The excitement of giving and receiving has passed away; there remains the quieter joy of sober contemplation. And when the day after Christmas is Sunday this contemplation will not be disturbed by the arrival of the postman, who, a relentless bill bringer, is, like the Greeks, to be feared even when bearing gifts.

And, in spite of the remarks of every humorist who ever borrowed from his mother-in-law 2 cents to put on an envelope which should carry a joke about her to an editor, this post-Christmas meditation nearly always is pleasant. It is assisted by the consumption of wife-bestowed cigars, which (again despite the humorists) are better than a man buys for himself. It is a pleasant meditation, for its subjects are things given and things received, good deeds done and good things experienced.

It also contains, this day after Christmas, a quality of reconciliation, not of reconciliation with ancient enemies—this was all orthodoxly attended to on Christmas eve—but of reconciliation with affairs, of readjustment.

Where Bayberry Candles Come From. It was the women of Hingham, that quaint old Massachusetts town, that first brought down from their attics their grandmothers' old candle molds and began making the sweet smelling green bayberry candles for a few appreciative people who wanted them to burn in homes furnished fit antiques. The women of charming old Deerfield, in the same state, shortly followed suit, and then the housewives of Cape Cod saw their opportunity, all of them using the molds that had been in the towns for generations.

Quaker Christmas Dinner. Roast ostrich was the prime dish at the Christmas dinner of the Young Men's Christian association of Los Angeles, Cal., a few years ago. More than 1,500 persons were served from one bird.



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