

**Absolutely Pure...**

**Royal Baking Powder**  
Improves the flavor and adds to the healthfulness of the food

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**SANTA CLAUS IN PORTO RICO.**

CHRISTMAS in Spain is a religious festival rather than a social one. It was so originally in Porto Rico, but the population has been influenced partly by the spirit of the new world and partly by the many American merchants who reside in the cities and who exert an influence much greater than the numbers would seem to warrant.

The churches welcome the day with chimes which begin at midnight and last until the midnight of the next day. What with one church beginning ten minutes too soon and another ten minutes too late and a third at the right moment, what with bells which ring every fifteen minutes and bell ringers who under some ancient custom will sound the great bells every half hour, the air is filled with music which never seems to end.

If you are near a campanile the effect is not altogether pleasant on account of the volume of sound striking the ear with too much force, but in a public square several hundred yards from the nearest belfry, where trees

**DAY'S**

The Satisfactory Store

Where Holiday Good Cheer prevails and the work of providing for your comfort, pleasure and convenience for the Yule Tide Season goes on. Our telephone and delivery service is at your command but we invite you to visit the store and see the tempting array of good things that is being gathered together for you

**Holiday Nuts and Candies and Candied Good Things**

**GROCERIES**

RIGHT SORTS

WIDEST VARIETY

High Grade Teas and Coffees  
Butter, Cheese and Eggs of the Best Grade



**Holly and Holly Wreaths** For Decorating  
Leave Orders Now

Do not delay until the last moment and then in the Christmas rush, perhaps be disappointed, but GIVE US your order early and rest assured that it will be executed to your entire satisfaction.

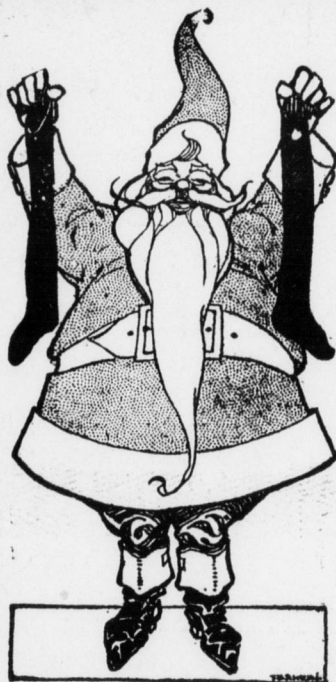
**Christmas Gifts for Everybody**

While catering to the wants of the inner man is a principal feature of this store, we would remind you that your wants in the line of gift giving can be supplied here as well. Beautiful China, decorated and plain, odd pieces or whole Dinner Sets. Blown and Pressed Glass, Water Sets, Jardinieres, Toilet Sets Fern Dishes, Vases.

**Notable Kitchen Specialties** All the little conveniences for making easy the work of the kitchen.

**Extensive line of Enamel Ware**

**Novelties in Burnt Wood, Etc**



**Big Saving Prices** for FRIDAY and SATURDAY  
THIS WEEK

<b>Sugar</b> 25lb Bag Best Granulated	<b>\$1.45</b>	<b>Shredded Wheat</b> 15c pkg	<b>12c</b>
<b>Coffee</b> 5 lbs our famous KA-U-KA Coffee	<b>1.00</b>	<b>Hickory Nuts</b> new Shell Bark	<b>10c</b>
<b>Pop Corn</b> 1908 crop, 4lbs	<b>25c</b>	<b>Oranges</b> 35c Floridas the doz	<b>30c</b>
<b>Soda</b> Church's Arm and Hammer brand Soda	<b>8c</b>	<b>Onions</b> Choice yellow stock, pk	<b>25c</b>
<b>Pickles</b> Heinz 15c Bottle	<b>10c</b>	<b>Starch</b> 6 lbs Laundry Starch	<b>25c</b>
<b>Cranberries</b> Cap Cod, 3 quart	<b>25c</b>	<b>Apples</b> Greenings or Spies, a peck	<b>35c</b>

**Baltimore Shucked Oysters**  
**Fresh Caught Lake Fish**

Leave Orders for Delivery Friday Morning

**J. H. DAY.**

**PERSONAL GOSSIP.**

Contributions invited. That which you would like to see in this department, let us know by post card, letter or personal call.

Arthur Catlin called on friends at Driftwood between trains last Sunday.

Rev. F. B. Schriener returned on Saturday from visiting at New Castle.

Miss Grace Schriener, the pleasant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Schriener, was a Press caller on Tuesday.

Misses Bessie Edwards and Elise Narby were business callers at the new Press office last Saturday morning.

Dudley Cole, of Curwensville, was west of his cousin, Harold Seger, last Saturday evening and Sunday.

Misses Verena and Hilda Hertig spent a few days shopping and visiting friends at Olean this week.

Miss Mary Leutze, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Leutze, was a business caller at the Press office on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Helen Taggart departed for Kittanning, Pa., on Tuesday, where she is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. George Deike.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cramer and daughter, Miss Lena, left Emporium on Tuesday morning for Buffalo, N. Y., from which place they will start for New Orleans and thence to California for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Simmons will occupy part of the Cramer home during their absence.

Gordan Howlett, of Sterling Run, transacted business for Central Lumber Co., in Emporium on Monday and called on the Press, renewing his paper for another year, as he always does promptly. Mr. Howlett was guest of Commercial House, where he always stops when looking after timber and bark interests in this section.

C. Leslie Freck, of Sheffield, was guest of his cousin, W. S. Sterner, for a few days during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Robinson, of Ellington, N. Y., were guests at the home of C. G. Catlin and family on Fifth street, last Sunday.

Misses Flora Schlecht and Mazie Gallagher were guests at the home of the former's sister at Johnsonburg, last Saturday and Sunday.

Andrew Cavanaugh, of Pittsburg, is guest of his sister, Mrs. John Treps-wether, on Fourth street, and will remain until after the holiday season.

The genial D. R. Branson is in town spending the holidays with his wife, who is guest of her father, Mr. A. A. McDonald.

Charles Farrell has been enjoying a short vacation, the past week. His whereabouts seem to be a mystery to his numerous friends.

Jos. Kaye, Jr., who has been at Deming, Wash., for some time, returned to his home at this place last Friday.

Mrs. Joseph Kaye returned to Emporium last Sunday, after spending a short time at Williamsport.

John Catlin, of Renovo, was guest at the home of his parents, C. G. Catlin and wife, on Fifth street, last Sunday.

Ed. More, who has been working at Philadelphia for some time, has arrived in town to spend the holidays with his mother and other relatives.

A fine line of picture moulding for Xmas framing at Bair's Studio. 43-2

**The Use of Sexine Pills.**

No man or woman who is nervous, weak or irritable, should fail to take Sexine Pills. The treatment cost only \$5 and it is fully guaranteed. Sexine Pills make you strong and happy. Price \$1 a box; six boxes \$5, with money-back guarantee. Address or call on R. C. Dodson, Druggist, Emporium, Pa., where they sell all the principal remedies and do not substitute.

Don't put off ordering your Xmas photographs made. Have them made now and give me lots of time to do a nice job. Open on Sundays 1:30 to 4:00. 43-2 BAIR'S STUDIO.

**R. B. I.** STANDS for the BEST in BUSINESS EDUCATION

Young People With R. B. I. Training Always in Demand.

During the last four years, Nov. 1, 1905, to Nov. 1, 1909, during the period of severe business depression, 4212 calls for graduates to fill good positions were received, 1013 more than the entire student enrollment during that time. Attendance much larger this year than ever before. Next monthly registration dates Jan. 3 and 4. Send for catalogue. ROCHESTER BUSINESS INSTITUTE.

**ODD ELECTION SIGNS.**

The Signs Are in Washington, the Elections Elsewhere.

"Of course we don't have any elections of our own," said a man from Washington, "but we have election intimations, if I may call them that, which can't be duplicated anywhere else in the country.

"You see, when we Washingtonians want to vote we've got to do it somewhere else, and as most of us have a lingering fondness for the franchise we are pretty likely to hang on to a residence somewhere outside the District.

"We especially like to do it because it makes us feel as if we had some sort of weapon to flourish before the observing eyes of the politicians who may have something to say about our hold on our jobs, and when the time comes to go home to vote we visibly swell with importance.

"Naturally a national election is the one that catches us all at once, and it is then that the intimations I spoke of do most abound. The papers are full of advertisements of loans for election expenses. Department clerks can be accommodated with sums covering their railway fare, new clothes for the trip and a substantial margin over and above necessary items. The interest is a bit high, but a clerk who is pling to go back home to splurge a bit is willing to mortgage his resources for the pleasure.

"These offers of loans fill columns of the daily papers. Alongside of them are other advertisements, all turning on the one theme, the election. 'Buy yourself a new suit to go home and vote in!' The grammar is a bit off, but the prices are asserted to be all right.

"In the shop windows there are dozens of election placards: 'Just the hat to wear when you go home to vote,' 'Specials in suit cases for the election,' 'Take a souvenir hatpin to your best girl when you go home to vote,' 'Swell suit for the election, only \$1 a week' and in a shoe store window, 'Tramp, tramp, tramp, the boys are marching—home to vote; wear —'s shoes and you won't get sore feet!'

"The railways offer special rates to voters, and so it goes. You won't find anything like it in any other town."—New York Sun.

**Curious Laws in India.**

Some of the old laws of Nepal, India, were curious. Killing cows ranked with murder as a capital offense, for instance. Every girl at birth was married with great ceremony to a betel fruit, which was then cast into a sacred stream. As the fate of the fruit was uncertain, the girl was supposed never to become a widow. To obtain divorce from a husband a wife had only to place a betel nut under his pillow and depart. In Nepal the day is considered to begin when it is light enough to count the tiles on the roof or distinguish the hairs on a man's hand against the sky.



**PRICE LIST.**  
Emporium, Pa., Dec. 14, 1909.

NEMOPHILA, per sack	\$1.80
Felt's Fancy	1.70
Pet Grove	1.70
Roller Meal	1.70
Bye	.75
Graham	.75
Buckwheat	.80
Buckwheat, 10 lb sack	.30
Course Meal per 100	1.50
Chou Feed	1.50
Cracked Corn per 100	1.50
Middlings	1.50
White Middlings	1.80
Bran	1.50
Chicken Wheat	2.00
Screenings	.75
Oil Meal	2.00
Corn per bushel	.84
Sterling Chick Feed	2.00
Daisy Dairy Feed	1.50
Daisy Horse Feed	1.50
Alfalfa Meal	1.50
White Oats, per bushel	1.50
Oyster Shells, per 100	.85
Choice Clover Seed	.75
Choice Timothy Seed	.75
Choice Millet Seed	.75

At Market Prices



A DAUGHTER PLAYS ON THE GUITAR.

and buildings break the sound waves, or in suburbs on the hillside the effect is unspeakably delightful.

Pleasantest of all is it when you are sitting in the inner court or quadrangle of a Porto Rican home. Around you on four sides the house rises above you, and in the grounds or in great tubs and porcelain pots rich flowers, graceful vines and restful trees afford shade, color and perfume. The sound of the bells descends from the air above very much like a benediction. You sit in an easy chair, and servants bring you tea or steaming coffee, sweetmeats and biscuits, confections and cigarettes, while a daughter or son plays ancient songs or dances upon a mandolin or guitar.

The churches are crowded; so are the clubs and most of the places of recreation. Every vehicle is in use, and here and there can be seen young men and women trying to imitate English models. Some of the people of the mountain districts carry out many of their early superstitions in regard to Christmas. They hang over the doors of their houses boughs of trees which are supposed to possess charms and often conduct marriage ceremonies under great canopies made of these charmed trees.

A great many wild flowers are in bloom at Christmastide, and these are worn by children of the mountain districts in wreaths and garlands about their heads, necks and waists. The Christmas giving is sadly missing in our new possessions. The churches hold no Christmas tree, and there are few charitable societies to give feasts. However, one hospital for old people and orphans in Ponce gives a Christmas fete, and the inmates have a good meal and receive warm clothing, medicines and other needful gifts.

The American occupation has brought extra Christmas cheer to the people of the island. The American residents celebrate the day in good American fashion, and, best of all, they put money into circulation and give zest to industry and business.

**When Shepherds Watched by Night.**  
Some historians contend that the shepherds could not have watched by night on the Bethlehem plains in December, it being a period of great inclemency. In answer to this a well known student says: "Bethlehem is not a cold region. The mercury usually stands all the month of December at 46 degrees. Corn is sown during this time, and grass and herbs spring up after the rains, so that the Arabs drive their flocks down from the mountains into the plains. The most delicate never make fires till about the end of November, and some pass the whole winter without them. From these facts I think it is established without doubt that our Saviour was born on the 25th day of December, the day which the church throughout the world has united to celebrate in honor of Christ's coming in the flesh."—Washington Star.

**The Most Popular Christmas Poem.**  
The most popular Christmas poem ever written for children was that familiar to the world, beginning:  
'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house—  
The poem was written by a very learned man, Dr. Clement Clarke Moore, a profound Greek and Hebrew scholar. He was a professor in the General Theological seminary in this city. He was born in 1779 and died in 1863.—New York Globe.