

Is It Better to Give Than Receive at Xmas? Some Girls Are Worried

While all the world is gay with Christmas song, as it were, there are certain problems coming to the surface that are very, very upsetting to say the least.

For instance, "What would you give Jack if you were me?" she was saying in a very appealing, if slightly unbecomingly flapping person who sat on the other half of the settee in the reception room of one of the large hotels. "I really don't know," she said, "but I really don't know."

"What would you give me something?" she asked. "If it was just candy I wouldn't mind, but goodness sakes if it was anything like a headed bag or an overnight case—what would you do, Marie? Huh?"

"I'm a fine one to ask," came a reply that was almost pealed forth. "I'm worse off than you are. I took me and got Fred a pair of pearl and platinum cuff links last Christmas, and what do you think he did? Took Mildred to the club dance New Year's night. The poor fish!"

"Maybe she asked him to take her?" came a hopeful suggestion.

"Well, she must have been asking him ever since for to my knowledge he's taken her to ten big dances since. Well, that's one I don't have to worry about. But there's Van. Van's been giving me an awful lot of attention lately. Calls me up nearly every day. But believe me I'm not going to spend a lot of money and then get stung like I was last year. Still I don't know, Van's awful nice. What would you do, Patty?"

And for all we know the two of them

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Flood of Money Pours in Upon Collectors on Final Day

New York, Dec. 16.—Uncle Sam "got rich quick" yesterday. Then he turned around and paid out all the money. It was the last day for his accumulated today around Collector Edwards. It was estimated that nearly \$100,000,000 was paid in New York. But about \$40,000,000 due in income taxes failed to appear. Big corporations and unemployed laborers alike sent their regrets. The swelling tide of money which swept into their pockets last spring was gone, they said.

Rendering unto Uncle Sam the things that are Uncle Sam's was made impossible this December by "tight money" and "business depression,"

Collector Edwards learned from many sources. He was asked to grant excuses in innumerable instances, but was powerless to do so. The government will bide its time, the collector said, but while doing so a 5 per cent penalty, plus 1 per cent interest monthly, will be imposed on those who failed to square their debt yesterday.

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But what of the others—the 12,000 children of Philadelphia's poor, whose hearts are torn by the fear that Santa Claus will pass them by?

Are they to get no closer to Christmas than the windows of the treasure-houses that line the streets of the shopping districts? Are they to awake to find their stockings filled with nothing but holes? Are they to have only heartaches, while other children are overflowing with happiness?

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