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14 Shopping Days to Christmas.

Shop early. Get ahead of the crowds. Shop here in Yenang's most perfect store. Fourteen days in which to buy your Christmas gifts. We urge early shopping for a great many reasons. It is possible to give you better attention. Then, too, stocks are in better shape—bright, fresh, new and clean; and assortment naturally is larger. Holiday decorations are in place. The store is right in the midst of its best Christmas spirit. Come today—this week, and be a part of it.

Don't Miss the Toys and Dolls.

Toyland in the basement again this year, and bigger, better and more interesting than ever. Nothing new or novel has skipped the eye of the toyman. The old favorites and standbys are here in abundance—everything a young heart could possibly crave; and there are hundreds of new things too. Compare our line with those of other stores—especially the prices—and the character of the toys. Little wonder Santa Claus selects this store for his headquarters.

Most Complete Showing of Furs Hereabouts.

A stock that abounds in Christmas suggestions with an abundance of styles and prices.

Furs for Christmas gifts? And why not? Last season our biggest fur month was in December. A sensible present—that's the reason.

We have brought into our stock an almost endless variety of pieces which will find favor among those who desire the best obtainable, but who figure on making their Christmas dollars go as far as possible. The quality of all furs that go from here is fully guaranteed in every way.

Come to see now—while assortment is broad. We will hold any you choose to purchase until the day you wish them delivered.

The Smart & Silberberg Co.

OIL CITY, PA.

Oil City Trust Company, Oil City, Pa.

Report to the Commissioner of Banking (CONDENSED)

At the Close of Business, Nov. 27, 1908.

Time loans.....	\$1,656,325.53	Capital.....	\$300,000.00
Real estate, furniture and other assets.....	422,310.95	Surplus.....	422,310.95
Fixtures.....	89,000.00	Reserve for interest, etc.....	4,140.21
Stocks and bonds.....	\$164,401.49	Deposits.....	\$2,214,580.21
Demand loans.....	496,059.57		
Overdrafts.....	5,325.18		
Due from banks.....	387,757.72		
Cash on hand.....	151,321.59		
Total quick assets, \$1,194,905.55			
	\$2,940,231.08		\$2,940,231.08

Trust funds not included in above, \$188,703.29

GAINED 55 POUNDS.

Charles L. Schultz of Dunkirk Tells How He Regained His Health.

When, six months ago, I began using Thompson's Barosma, I had made up my mind to sell out and go out of business, but a friend of mine asked me if I had taken Barosma. I had not, but was willing to try most anything and began using it as directed. I was very pale and weak. I continued using it as directed and today I weigh 55 pounds more than when I commenced using Barosma. I was a skeleton compared with what I am now and shall remain in business. When I would get up in the morning I would feel dull and sleepy and not rested, felt like going back to bed again.

CHAS. L. SCHULTZ.

I know Charles L. Schultz he is a man of truth, having worked as drayman in Dunkirk for years.

C. J. WIRTNER, Mayor.

P. S.—The above was written five years ago, and my health has been all that a man could desire ever since, and my weight is 285 pounds.

CHAS. L. SCHULTZ.

October 30, 1908.

Immediate relief from backache, pain in the side, groin or hips is experienced by taking a few doses of Thompson's Barosma. Kidney and Liver Cure. A continuation of its use will make a positive cure. Thompson's Barosma does not contain opiates and a large reward is offered for any injurious drug found in its composition. It is purely vegetable and a remedy adapted to all ages. Thompson's Barosma has positively made wonderful cures in Bright's disease, sciatic rheumatism, kidney, liver and bladder diseases, lumbago, palpitation of the heart and nervousness. Thompson's Barosma is pleasant to take. All druggists, 50c and \$1.00.

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WHITE BY WRIGHT

The poodle jumped up in my lap. Now if there is one animal on earth that I hate it's a poodle. But since it was her poodle—well! I let it stay there.

Her little sister had gone upstairs to announce me, and, returning, had said that "Margaret would be down stairs in jus' two little minutes." I had been sitting there fifteen when the poodle arrived.

If it had been anyone but Margaret! Well, I'd have waited just about two minutes and a half, and then I'd have "cut it out." But somehow there's always one girl that you'd wait a week for, and then believe her when she said she was sorry she kept you waiting.

"The dear girl is probably fixing up her hair, and putting on another collar," thought I, complacently. "As if I care what she wears so long as she loves me!" And then, of course, I fell to wondering again. What would she say when I told her? Would I go away to-day, walking on air, or would my hopes be blighted forever?

Half an hour passed. The poodle had gone to sleep, and out of consideration for his mistress, I didn't like to disturb him. So I occupied myself by counting, first the chairs, then the pictures, and finally the squares in the carpet. It was kind of lonesome. I couldn't help wishing that someone—even if it were only little Florrie—would come in and talk to me. I could at least ask her questions about Margaret, and if she had said exactly two minutes. And presently Florrie did come in, and sat herself demurely in a straight-backed chair, on the other side of the room. It is always hard to ask even a child questions if they sit on the other side of the room.

I was very diplomatic. From the subject of candy and dolls and what I was going to bring Florrie to-morrow I led the conversation on imperceptibly, to what Margaret had ever said to Florrie, about me, what position my picture occupied in her room, what she (Margaret) did with my letters after she read them, and finally, in as careless a tone as I could command, whether she had said just two minutes. Florrie didn't ever remember hearing Margaret say very much about me; she thought my picture was on her desk, beside another fellow's (hang that other fellow); Margaret generally burned her letters, so most likely mine were burned, too. Lastly, she (Florrie) wasn't just sure that Margaret had said exactly two minutes but she guessed it was about that long.

I looked at my watch. It was just fifty minutes since I sat down in that chair. The poodle had been sleeping thirty-five minutes. If Margaret had kept any other fellow waiting—that call of a White, for instance—I wouldn't have been so much surprised. But she had always shown more consideration than that for me. Perhaps when I told her how much I loved her she would only laugh at me.

Pinkie's weight was getting unbearable. I felt as though I were holding a young stove. One foot was sleeping, and the other wasn't far from it. "Florrie," said I, "perhaps if you went upstairs you could help Margaret to get ready to come down."

"That dear child is so obliging. She good-naturedly hurried upstairs and left the parlor door open. I'll repeat the conversation I heard from above me."

"Margaret, aren't you ever coming downstairs?"

"Florrie Oswald, hasn't that fellow gone away yet? Didn't you tell him I was out?"

"No, Margaret." Such a small meek little voice! "I thought he was real nice, and maybe you'd be sorry afterwards, so I just said you'd be down in two minutes."

There was an ominous silence, then I heard Margaret give a queer little laugh.

"Well, child, you ought to be punished, but perhaps it is better so. I might as well face it now as any other time. I'll go down and tell him that I can never care for him, and that it would be better for both of us if he would stop coming."

I didn't wait to hear any more. I stood up and dropped the poodle so suddenly that the poor little thing whimpered. At the foot of the stairs I stopped and called, "You needn't bother coming down, Miss Oswald. I happened to overhear your recent conversation, and you needn't fear any more annoyance from me!" and so saying I made preparations to leave.

Then a strange thing happened. The door opened and closed with a bang, there was a quick rush of skirts, and then behind me a voice "Oh, Dick! Dick! Wait for me!"

There was another bustle and rustle and the dignified Miss Oswald, whom I had never seen even hurry, stood in front of me.

I had to stop, for, but I still held up my head.

"Dick, did you think I would do that to you? Why Dick, Florrie told me it was Mr. White! Come in and let me explain. She sat down by the table, and I stood leaning on the opposite side.

And then I understood. My name is Wright, and White and Wright sound a good deal alike. In fact, to Florrie, the difference wouldn't be even worth noticing. I stood for a moment looking at her in such a pious mood and walking over my book—kissed her.—Boston Globe

There is a profit in anything that takes care of failures, as a rule to negligence.

Ill Health is More Expensive Than any Cure
This country is now filled with people who migrate across the continent in all directions seeking that which gold cannot buy. Nine-tenths of them are suffering from throat and lung troubles or chronic catarrh resulting from neglected colds, and spending fortunes vainly trying to regain lost health. Could every sufferer but undo the act and cure that first neglected cold, all this sorrow, pain, anxiety and expense could have been avoided. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of colds, and can always be depended upon. Use it and the more serious diseases may be avoided. For sale by Dunn & Fulton.

CHARACTER IN THE TONGUE.

Germany's Way of Sizing People Up Available Chiefly to Doctors.

Germany has taken up the pastime of reading character and telling fortunes by the tongue. Somebody has been making a study of the organ of speech and has discovered that it is full of indications.

A long tongue is said to denote openness of character. It suggests generosity and free handedness. Its possessor makes friends and enemies easily but doesn't save money. When the tongue is long and thick the openness degenerates into a tendency to gossip and scandal. The fulness of the owner is beset with troubles of his own making. It also indicates flightiness and inconstancy.

Short tongues indicate secretiveness and dissimulation. Their owners make good detectives and attorneys.

The owner may acquire some money by economy and guile but has not largeness of spirit to make a great fortune. Thin pointed tongues are found in diffident people who do not succeed in life.

Short and broad ones accompany craft and falsehood; the person who has such a tongue is compelled by it to deceive and betray, whatever effort he may make to keep straight.

The vibrant, quivering tongue denotes the artistic temperament. Brilliant carmine hue is a sign of long life, pale pink tongue denotes weakness of character and delicacy of constitution.

"If it's all true," says a German newspaper, "it is lucky that it is only at the doctor and not at our friends that we stick out our tongues."

BUENOS AYRES.

It is One of the Most Magnificent Cities in the World.

Buenos Ayres is already one of the most magnificent cities in the world. Enormous sums have been laid out in widening the streets and erecting splendid buildings. But apparently the Argentines are not yet content, for the Chamber has just authorized the raising of a new municipal loan of £3,000,000 "for the purpose of improving and embellishing the city." This is probably due to jealousy of Rio de Janeiro, for the Brazilians have recently spent a good deal of money in beautifying their capital, and the Buenos Ayrians are determined not to be beaten in the race of luxury.—London Globe.

President Diaz of Mexico.

President Diaz of Mexico, who is past 77, literally takes upon himself a very extensive portion of the administrative work of his Government. He is an early riser, and his day is systematically arranged. Few public men are more kindly and agreeable in private life than the President of Mexico, and he has behind an habitual gravity of manner a very keen sense of humor. He never frets or worries over petty matters, and is always calm and in perfect mental poise in times of crisis and emergency.

Princess Fedora a Novelist.

Princess Fedora of Schleswig-Holstein, the youngest sister of the Czar, Empress, is the author of a novel recently published in Germany entitled, "Hahn Berta." She has a romantic history, having declined all offers of marriage since the tragic death of her fiance, Duke Frederick of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, who, while in command of a torpedo boat, perished in the Baltic with the entire crew.

New Opera by Verdi.

A complete score of a new opera by Verdi, the existence of which has hitherto been unknown, has been discovered in Paris in an old chest full of manuscripts and other papers which formerly belonged to the famous musician. It was the composition of this opera which occupied some of the latter months of Verdi's life.

Greece Rich in Ore.

During the year 1906, 89 mining concessions were granted by the Greek Government. A glance at the list of these concessions reveals the richness and variety of the mineral deposits of Greece, as they include copper, lead, zinc, iron, manganese, cobalt, nickel, coal, antimony iron pyrites gypsum and asbestos.

Know Nothing of Civilization.

Knud Rasmussen of Copenhagen who has been studying ethnology at Umanak, North Greenland, has started for Smith Sound to find an Eskimo tribe which is reputed to have never come in contact with civilization. His aim is eventually to reach the Canadian mainland some time in 1908.

Official Astrologers.

The Empress of China, King Menelik of Abyssinia, the Ameer of Afghanistan, the Sultans of Morocco and Zanzibar and the Khedive of Egypt all maintain official astrologers.

Her face was not so pretty. Her form was nothing great. And she was rather shy on sensae; But, oh, her figure was immense! So men came round to wait Upon this girl of beauty shy
Whose charms seemed quite a blank
Attracted from all quarters by Her figure in the bank.

For a Lame Back.

When you have pains or lameness in the back, take the parts with Chamberlain's Liniment twice a day, massaging with the palm of the hand for five minutes at each application. Then dampen a piece of flannel slightly with this liniment and bind it on over the seat of pain, and you may be surprised to see how quickly the lameness disappears. For sale by Dunn & Fulton.

A pill in time that will save nine is Rings Liver Pill. For biliousness, sick headache, constipation. They do not grip. Price 25c. Sold by J. R. Morgan.

CENSUS OF PARIS TREES.

Approximately 87,000, the Horse Chestnut the Commonest.

In the course of its annual stock-taking the Paris municipality has gone the length of making a census of all the trees which the city owns and cares for. The total number is approximately 87,000, or roughly one tree to every thirty-two inhabitants, not enough, to satisfy a "garden city" enthusiast, but ample to provide all honest Republicans with plenty of the cheap yet artistic badge which Camille Desmoullins made popular.

The horse chestnut is the commonest tree planted by the municipality; after it comes the plane tree, followed by the more distant and secluded avenues limes and acacias are found, but variety must not be sought outside the gardens and parks, which belong to the State. There one may find almost every tree that may be grown in the Paris climate.

The municipality also excludes the trees growing in its own parks—the Parc Monceau, the Buttes Chaumont, the Parc Montrouge—from this census. The area of these parks and other public squares is about 1,500,000 square yards, and about half of it is grass grown.

The Red Death.

It will be remembered that Edgar Allen Poe, in his "Masque of the Red Death," described a plague, the main symptom of which was a bleeding from the pores of the body.

In Central America the Red Death is personified in the Blood Snake, or, as the Spaniards call it, Vivora Sangre. This snake is of a red-tinged black on the back, while underneath it is of a bright vermilion. Its deadly work is easily recognizable in the condition of the victim. An Indian cattleman, finding a cow bleeding at the nose, eyes, and ears, and perspiring blood at every pore, does not hesitate to blame it on Vivora Sangre. Unfortunately, the effect upon the human being is the same, and our Indian friend quite realizes it when he lights a cheroot, gathers his blanket around him, and stolidly sits down to await the meeting with his forefathers.

Let Us Forget.

In the good old kaffir corn days of Blaine county, when Uncle John Dillon, the Geary banker, and County Clerk Tyler banded cedar posts to El Reno and Oklahoma City and sold them to buy bread for their families, they would go to hear a good old preacher, who was a post hauler with them. This good old brother in his prayers would thank God for his goodness to them, and one season, when he was especially thankful for a good crop, raised, but not forgetful of the past, he said: "Dear Lord, let in days to come we forget, we thank Thee, O God, for the cedar in the canons."

Indian Cotton Tree.

The Indian cotton tree, it is claimed, is able to withstand long periods of drought, and has so far escaped the ravages of the troublesome boll worm. This tree does not appear to require much attention after it has been once planted, and it grows to a height of six or seven feet. Its greatest production is in its third year. An effort is now being made in England to organize a company for the production and exploitation of this cotton.

Josephine's Harp.

Now that Malmison has reverted to the French nation possessors of objects once associated with it all the world over are showing themselves quite eager to restore them to the place so inseparably associated with the sad romance of Bonaparte's unfortunate Empress. The Bonaparte legend may be dead enough; the Josephine legend is not. Her harp is the latest object to find its way back.

Earliest Mention of Forks.

The earliest mention of forks was in "Cradities," a singular book of travels by Coryates, published in 1611. "The Italians, and most strangers that are cormorant in Italy, do always, at their meals, use a little fork when they cut their meat." Queen Elizabeth was the first English sovereign to use one, and her court condemned the fad as a silly affectation.

Color Photography.

The feature of the exhibition of the Royal Photographic Society, which opened recently in London, was the display of color photography by the new starch grain process. This is not yet regularly in the market, but a large number of amateurs have made or secured plates, and over 100 color pictures were submitted, 72 of which were accepted and hung.

Poorest of All European Kings.

King George of Greece is the poorest of all European Kings. His income is about \$700 a day, which is nothing to one obliged to maintain the state and dignity of a King. He would be poorer still were it not for outside help. England, France and Russia each subscribe \$20,000 a year toward his income.

Large Land Owners.

The Rocha family of the State of Durango, Mexico, are among the largest, if not the largest, family owners of land in the world. They count their wealth by millions of dollars and are in supreme control of a mountainous territory embracing about 10,000,000 acres.

WINTER TERM
STATE NORMAL
OPENS DEC. 29
CATALOG FREE
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INDIANA, PA.

Jan OF CITY DOLLS.

If the New Basement Toy Department, in the two weeks since it was opened, has acquired fame along any one particular line, more than another, that line is Dolls. That's because the assortment is so large, the prices moderate, the Dolls of unusual facial beauty and the very evident superiority of their manufacture. Washable Dolls, Kid Body Dolls, Bisque Body and Rag Dolls.

Naturally the Undressed Dolls engage your attention first as it requires some little time to prepare the wardrobe. The careful thorough manner of construction in these Kid Body and Bisque Body Dolls will impress you favorably.

Kid Body Dolls range in price from 19c to \$1.39 and upward. Bisque Body Dolls, 25c to \$7.50. Dressed Dolls, 25c to \$10. Rag Dolls, 25c to \$3.50.

Christmas Aprons.

We present for your inspection and consideration a window display of Christmas Aprons at 50c each. We have not seen the like of these for a quarter more the apron. Confidence in our ability to dispose of 500 of these at a half dollar each secured for us this unusual apron bargain.

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Converted to Mohammedanism. Dr. Edward Falls, a well-known Egyptologist and excavator, has embraced Islam. While at the head of an excavating expedition in the Nile Delta he became so convinced of the virtues of Mohammedanism that he confessed the faith and was received at the Mosque of Mariout. He will henceforth be known under the name of Mohammed.

Europeans the Greatest Farmers. In the United States 100 inhabitants cultivate 200 acres of land, while in Europe the proportion is 890 acres to the 100 inhabitants.