

## Santa Claus and Romeos



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You Can't Think of One Without the Other.

## HUSELTON

Dispenses these comforts for every member of the family—not one was skipped when he planned away back in the summer for your satisfaction in Christmas buying. Everybody knows what the ROMEOS—Dodge-felt—are! If not, there are two sure ways to find out.—WEAR THEM! Buy a pair for SOMEONE ELSE and you'll never hear the last of their praises.

55c to \$1.50

For the Christmas ball there are Slippers to suit the taste of everyone. Patterns and those dainty creations with beaded fronts, with or without straps. Pumps for the gentlemen.

Wool Boots, Stockings, Arctics  
All the warm comforts of life. Get a pair.

## B. C. HUSELTON

102 N. Main St., Butler, Penn'a

## BICKEL'S Winter Footwear

Extremely Large Stock of Winter Footwear  
At Away Down Prices.

### Holiday Slippers.

We are showing a large stock of Holiday Slippers. Many styles in fine leather, felt and embroidered slippers. We wish to close out our entire stock of Holiday slippers before Christmas and in order to do so we will sell them at extremely low prices.

### Ladies' Fine Shoes

"Sorosis" Shoes. The masterpiece of the shoe-makers art and standard of the world. High or medium cut, box-calf, fine dongola, enamel and patent leather. Button or lace in light or heavy soles.

### Men's Shoes

All the latest styles in men's fine shoes. Large stock of Gokley's high-cut, hand-pegged, box-toe and plain toe shoes.

### Gokey's Copper Tipped Shoes for the Boys.

Complete Stock of Men's and Boys' Heavy Stocking and Overs Ladies', Gents', Misses' and Children's Felt Boots and Overs Leggings and Overgarters in all sizes.  
Lamb's wool in soles all sizes.  
Sole Leather and Shoemakers Supplies.  
Repairing Promptly Done.

## JOHN BICKEL,

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## K E C K

Merchant Tailor.

### Fall and Winter Suitings

JUST ARRIVED.

142 North Main St.

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## COOPER & CO.,

### FINE TAILORS.

Are now occupying their old location at corner of the Diamond.

### Suits from \$15 to \$50.

## Cohn's Bargain Store,

The Place with no Handsome Front.

We want you to come to our store and look around for your Xmas shopping. We can't expect you to appreciate the vast superiority of this store as regards varieties, qualities, styles and low prices unless you see what other stores are offering. We have the goods you want; we sell at absolutely the lowest prices.

We are doing a big business simply because we merit it. Look round, you simply can't help being convinced that this is the

### Lowest priced store in the county

We desire to impress you particularly with the thorough manner in which we are prepared to fill your wants for your holiday buying.

If you are looking after your own best interests you will buy here. When you come to this store you will forcibly realize the truth of this statement.

We Handle Everything Ready to Wear for Men, Women and Children.

## Cohn's Bargain Store,

150 Main and Cunningham Sts.

## Useful Gifts are Best.

Even the most liberal giver should remember that useful gifts are most appreciated. If you find it necessary to practice economy, all the more reason for buying useful gifts.

### Coats and Furs.

A stylish coat or fine fur neck-piece is a desirable gift. They don't cost much now, as prices are very low. Stylish coats, \$5.00 up. Furs, \$1.00 up.

### Linens.

Are always appreciated. Lowest prices and choice assortment of fine table linens, napkins, towels, Mexican drawn work, hem-stitched and embroidered dollies, squares and scarfs.

### Fancy Pillow and Pillow Tops.

Always room for another pillow. Fancy pillows, 35c to \$3.50. Pillow tops, 10c up. Down pillows, 35c up, according to size.

### Handkerchiefs.

Greatest line of fine handkerchiefs we have ever shown. Always safe to buy handkerchiefs when you can't think of anything else.

### Practical Presents.

A pair of fine blankets or a nice white bedspread would be a pleasing gift. Dress goods, silks and waist materials are attractive. A fine dimity or tulle is handy. Underwear, hosiery and gloves are all right. You are sure to be pleased with fancy collars, Sterling and Ebony goods, purses, bags, ribbons, or any of the numerous useful articles to be found in our stock.

Always best values—Always lowest prices.

## L. Stein & Son,

108 N. MAIN STREET, BUTLER, PA.

## Typhoid Fever Will Never DECREASE

as long as you continue to drink water polluted with Typhoid Fever germs. Why endanger your health and life by drinking impure water—when

## Sparkling Crystal Water

is within the reach of every person.

CRYSTAL WATER is guaranteed to be absolutely free from germ life, free from mineral impurities and free from organic matter that so naturally enters into spring and well water.

FOR SALE BY  
ALL DRUGGISTS AND FIRST CLASS GROCERS.  
Write for booklet on pure water and health.

### Crystal Water Co. of Pittsburg, Pa.

WISHES YOU A  
**Merry Christmas**  
AND A  
**Happy New Year.**

CAMPBELL'S GOOD FURNITURE

## Useful Christmas Presents

The kind your friends will appreciate. Hundreds of them here to select from.

When in doubt give a Rocking Chair. The most complete assortment we have ever shown to select from. Upholstered seat Rocking Chairs \$3.50. Fine polished golden oak Rocking Chair \$5.00 and dozens of the higher priced kind.

There is no mistake in giving a Picture, for every home has a place for them. Pretty Medallions at 25c. Framed Pictures at 50c, 75c and \$1.00. Large Pictures in gilt frames, \$1.50 to \$3.00.

Most any woman would appreciate a Writing Desk. Here are twenty-three patterns to select from in oak or mahogany finish. \$35 for the best one, and \$4.00 for the cheapest.

A Parlor Table makes a useful present. Some cost \$1.50, others \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$5.00. Then we have the solid mahogany ones at \$12.00 up.

A Corner Chair for the parlor. Not many would refuse one. A beauty in mahogany finish and highly polished \$5.00; finer ones up to \$10.00.

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## Xmas Goods Sacrificed.

20 PER CENT. OFF.

## On all Holiday Goods.

THE GOLDEN RULE

Things you would like to have, but do not want to buy for yourself—that is what you would appreciate for a Christmas gift.

We have many such things, so come to us and get for your friends a treat in the way you would be treated.

We have novelties for everybody—toys for the children; china for the ladies; useful things for the men, and fancy articles and books for all classes. Indulgences for holiday buyers at the

## EYTH BROTHERS.

241 S. Main St.

## DOUGLASS'

## For Rheumatism, Cold in Chest, Sore Muscles, Stiff Joints. USE FOUR-FOLD LINIMENT.

"IN USE OVER FIFTY YEARS." AT ALL DRUGGISTS. 25c, 50c, \$1.00.

## Liver Pills

That's what you need; something to cure your biliousness. You need Ayer's Pills.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Use

## Buckingham's Dye

10c of druggist or R. P. Hall & Co., Nashua, N.H.

## Nasal CATARRH

It is all right. Ely's Cream Balm cleanses, soothes and heals the diseased membrane. It cures catarrh and drives away a cold in the head quickly.

Cream Balm is placed into the nostrils, spreads over the membrane and is absorbed. Relief is immediate and a cure follows. It is not drying, does not produce sneezing. Large Size, 50 cents at Druggist or by mail; Trial Size, 10 cents.

ELY BROTHERS, 65 Warren Street, New York

## Indigestion, Dyspepsia can be cured by Vinol

Try it and if it doesn't help you we will pay back your money.

## Johnston's PHARMACY,

106 N. Main St.

## RUINED

Many a fine piece of silver, watch or locket is spoiled by machine or poor hand engraving. We engrave without extra charge on all goods sold by us, and when we mean engraving that you will not be ashamed to send anywhere.

## Ralston & Smith,

"No Fancy Prices," JEWELERS,  
Engravers and Watchmakers,  
110 W. Jefferson Street.

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## LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

By MARY WINTHROP

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## CHRISTMAS ON AN ICEBERG

THIS is in substance the story of Ray Lambertson, a Nova Scotia lad of eighteen, who was taken off an iceberg at sea by a passing ship and treated in Bellevue hospital.

"Father and I went out fishing on Christmas eve last from Clark's harbor. We were after mackerel and were doing well, but had not been long out when a bay of Fudny fog surrounded us, and we concluded to put back. After groping our way east for half an hour we struck against something, or something struck against us, and I was thrown clean overboard. I know now that the lead of our boat collided with the spur of an iceberg. When I rose to the surface I heard the old man shouting, but I couldn't answer him, and it seemed to me that the spur got between us in the first place and then we were separated altogether by the entire berg. I managed to get on a ledge of the berg and maintain myself there by bracing my shoulder against a slight projection overhead. When I thought I was on top the berg would level over until I found myself on the side, and at one time it turned a complete somersault and threw me once more into the water. I had a good mind to give up then and accept of being frozen to death, but I thought of the folks at home and that my father being probably drowned the family would have to depend on me. So I made another effort. The berg was rolling and presented many sharp points here and there, one of which I seized and by its means lifted myself to the ledge from which I had been thrown.

"Realizing that I could not maintain myself in that position, I climbed once more to the top, and this time found myself in a saucer shaped cavity. Whipping out a knife, I hacked away for dear life until I had scooped out a

## XMAS WITH THE GERMANS.

Scenes in the Shops and in the Retirement of Home.

As the handsome shops reveal the Christmas of the rich Germans, also we see the Christmas joys of the other, the peasant class, in their own homes. The day before Christmas the drawing rooms were closed. No one dare enter except the baron and baronesse, who came in and out in their gowns and quiet and mysteriously. On Christmas eve the first event of interest is the Christmas eve dinner, which is characterized by the serving of "champagne" in their own homes. The day before Christmas the drawing rooms were closed. No one dare enter except the baron and baronesse, who came in and out in their gowns and quiet and mysteriously. On Christmas eve the first event of interest is the Christmas eve dinner, which is characterized by the serving of "champagne" in their own homes.

## ORIGIN OF XMAS GREENS.

They were used at Christmas five centuries ago.

The use of evergreens at Christmas time is older than the Christmas tree, the Christians assuming to have copied it from their pagan ancestors. In a very old book we find this reference to the use of evergreens at Christmas time: "Against the feast of Christmas every man's house, as also their parish churches, were decked with holm, ivy, bayes and whatsoever the season of the year afforded to be green. The conduits and standards of the streets were likewise garnished, among the which I read that in the year 1414, by temper of thunder and lightning, toward the morning of Candlemas day, at the Lendenhall, in Cornwall, a standard of tree, being set up in the midst of the pavement, fast in the ground, called full of holm and ivy, for display of Christmas to the people, was torn up and cast down by the malignant spirit, as was thought, filled with stones of horses, cats and men and women made of delectable cake dough and artistically ornamented with colored sugar curlicues. These are too numerous and attractive to the small boy and girl.

Candles in small candle holders are always scattered well over the tree. It is a wise precaution to keep a pan of water in which is a wet sponge in case of accidents. When a spark falls upon a bough, the sponge quickly applied to the spot will check the spread of the fire."—Washington Star.

## THE FIRST CHRISTMAS.

From the Gospel According to St. Luke, Chapter 2, Verses 7-20.

And she brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And in the night the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them: "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

"And this shall be a sign unto you, ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

And it came to pass as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us."

And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And they that heard it wondered at these things, which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

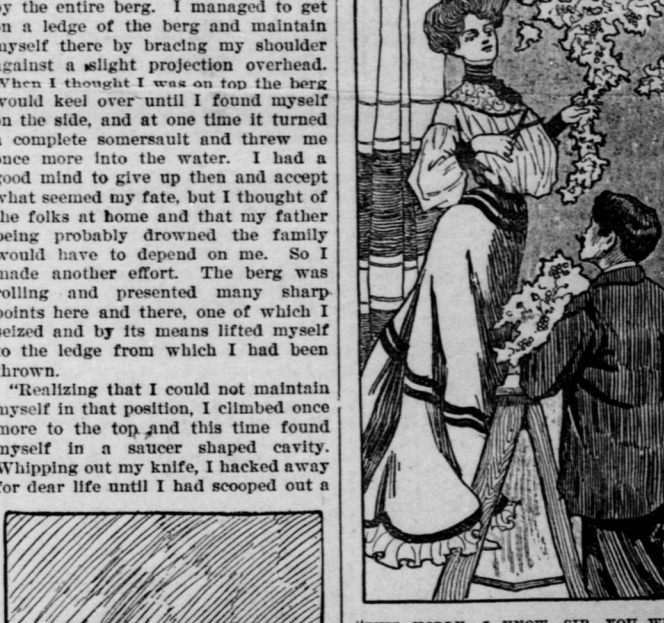
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## DOLLY HANGING HOLLY

WITH Polly I changed to be hanging holly on the holly tree.

With Polly, who's brimming with frolic and folly,  
A quip on her lip and a jest in her eye,  
The wind it was blowing, and shadows were cast,  
Their dark web without o'er the face of the sky,  
Within it was merry with green leaf and berry,  
And Polly, close by, with a gleam in her eye.

"This holly, I know, sir, you wish mistletoe, sir?"  
Cried Polly as o'er us a wreath we hung high.  
I looked at her, laughing, to see were she chiding,  
And lo!—what a glint there shone out from her eye!



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How like the rose petals on which the bee settles  
Here they were! Her lips were the holly fruit's dye.  
"Be it mistletoe, dear, a minute or so, dear!"  
"A minute!" breathed Polly, with mirth in her eye.

So it's, oh, to be hanging the holly with Polly,  
With Polly the mischief-maker, Polly the sly!  
With Polly, the genius of all that is jolly,  
A luncheon on her lip and a gleam in her eye!

—Clinton Scollard in Smart Set.

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## Suitable Gifts For Women.

Silver or silver and glass toilet articles are always acceptable to women. Some of them are brush, comb, powder box, cold cream jar, butanebook, curling iron, glove stretcher, atomizer, perfume jar, vaseline holder and hairpin case.

A southern editor says this in praise of the apple: "The apple is the most democratic of all fruits. The pomegranate is priestly, the grape is royal, the orange is luxurious, the peach and pear are plutocratic, but the apple belongs to the populace. It is symbolic of the country store and the corner grocery. It breathes the free spirit of the American township and village. It has a flavor of old New England and yet a pungency as of the south and middle west. It is mild, palatable, nourishing and promoter of good fellowship and long life."