

The Annex.

HERSHISER & GILLIGAN.

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In order to better display our fine new line of

Holiday Goods

and to make it more convenient for the trade, we have opened up a Holiday Annex in the building first door west of our drug store, where we now have ready for the inspection of the public, at surprisingly low prices, the most complete assortment of Christmas goods ever offered for sale in Holt county. The goods are all new; no shelf worn stock. The designs are the latest; no chesnuts. The public is solicited to call and inspect the stock. We have presents for everybody at prices for anybody.

A Separate Department

For a Brand New Stock.

The way to have a Merry Christmas

Is to make others happy. Make them happy with suitable gifts? Our stock answers the question; answers it fully, perfectly. Come and see. Novelties without limit. Such an array of dazzling desirable gifts. Something for every taste. Gifts that will fill your requirements without emptying your purse. To look through our splendid assortment is a pastime; to price these goods is a pleasure; to possess them is a privilege.

Recommended by Santa Claus.

Pretty gifts! Suitable gifts! Useful gifts. Everybody is delighted with our holiday display—See it.

The Best of Everything for Christmas.

A very fine assortment and a variety for all tastes in fancy goods and novelties, toilet articles, notions, etc.

We Offer a Great Variety of

Appropriate presents for ladies, gentlemen and children. We can supply an appropriate gift for old or young, at any price.

CHRISTMAS MORNING.

Christmas morning, and broad daylight!
Who do you think was here last night?
Bundled in furs from top to toe;
I won't tell, for I think you know.

Who was it came from cold Snowland,
Driving gaily his eight-in-hand,
Sleigh piled up with wonderful toys?
Who was it? Tell me, girls and boys.

Who was it down the chimney crept,
While everybody soundly slept?
Filled the stockings, and tapped them all
With "Merry Christmas, one and all."

Who went back 'neath the bright starlight,
Reindeer scampering with all their might?
I won't tell, for its very clear,
If you are rood, he'll come next year.

Christmas morning, and hurry away,
Cousins and aunts are waiting to-day
Waiting to welcome the big and the small,
Hark! hear them shout "Merry Christmas
to all."



OUR NEW stock is beautiful, appropriate, desirable, complete and within your means. You can come and see for yourself that all this is so, without feeling the slightest obligation to purchase unless you find it to your best interests. All visitors are welcome and no questions asked. Feel free to come, one and all. You cannot afford to miss our elegant display of new Christmas novelties. Never was a collection of beautiful gifts offered at lower prices. We make it an object for all visitors to come and see us. We do not propose to be excelled in quality, style or any other desirable feature; neither do we propose to be undersold in a single instance. We shall show you just the right thing you want and we shall make the price just right. We know we can please everybody because our stock includes a variety for all sorts of people. Babies, boys, girls, young men, young ladies, grown ladies, middle-aged men, old ladies and old gentlemen were all remembered when we bought our holiday stock.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR ALL

MAKE IT a point to look over our Christmas gifts that are especially adapted and designed for the little ones. Such pleasing, well selected goods for the young you have never seen offered at prices so uniformly and unmistakably low. Come and see them. It is a sight to be remembered with pleasure. No matter how much better you think you are going to do by buying your Christmas presents somewhere else, don't let go of your money until you have seen our goods and learned our prices. You may think this little speech is made wholly in our own interest, but if you take our advice you will find there is money in it for you. If you want a present that is just right in every way and at the same time wish to enjoy the advantage of a scale of prices as low as honest goods can be sold anywhere, come in and see our splendid holiday line. We are making it an object for the people to trade with us this year. We provide selections for all kinds of people and make the prices right.

DOLLS?

...Well, we should say! We have over 500 of them to sell at all prices. But we have reserved this space to speak of one doll in particular. It is a beauty and would sell readily any place for \$20. We are not going to sell it—we are going to GIVE IT AWAY, and every 50 cts. worth of goods you buy will give you an interest in this grand gift, which will take place on December 27.



We open our doors to the Holiday Trade with the firm determination to make this

THE BEST CHRISTMAS UP TO DATE

Are you coming in for your share? This season is certainly the GIFT MAKERS' GREAT OPPORTUNITY. The presents were never nicer and never so cheap.

Suitable Gifts for Old and Young

EVERYBODY'S WANTS SUPPLIED.

The field for selection is the widest; the prices are the lowest. You can't help being pleased when you see our beautiful holiday stock, which is as complete as it is handsome and fully equipped to meet all your wants.

COME AND SEE US BEFORE YOU PURCHASE.

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Lieutenant Governor.....J. E. Harris
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Attorney General.....John F. Cornell
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Deputy.....Mike McCarthy
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Supervisor, E. J. Mack; Justices, E. H. Benedict and S. M. Wagers; Constables, Ed. McBride and Ferkin Brooks.

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For two years—D. H. Cronin. For one year—C. W. Hagenslok.

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SOLDIERS' RELIEF COMMISSION.

Regular meeting first Monday in February of each year, and at such other times as is deemed necessary. Lott, Gallagher, Page, chairman; Wm. Bowen, O'Neill, secretary; H. H. Clark, Atkinson.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Services every Sabbath at 10:30 o'clock. Very Rev. Cassidy, Pastor. Sabbath school immediately following services.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday services—Preaching 10:30 A. M. and 3:00 P. M. Class No. 1: 9:30 A. M. Class No. 2 (Epworth League) 7:00 P. M. Class No. 3 (Children) 3:00 P. M. Mind-week services—General prayer meeting Thursday 7:30 P. M. All will be made welcome, especially strangers. E. T. GEORGE, Pastor.

U. S. A. R. POST, NO. 86.

The Gen. John H. O'Neill Post, No. 86, Department of Nebraska G. A. R., will meet the first and third Saturday evening of each month in Masonic hall O'Neill. S. J. SMITH, Com.

BLKHOEN VALLEY LODGE, I. O. O. F.

Meets every Wednesday evening in Odd Fellows' hall. Visiting brothers cordially invited to attend. W. H. MASON, N. G. C. L. BRIGHT, Sec.

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Convention every Monday at 8 o'clock p. m. in Odd Fellows' hall. Visiting brethren cordially invited. ARTHUR COYKENDALL, C. C. E. J. MACK, K. of R. and S.

VICTIMS OF A BAD HABIT.

Men Whose Absent-Mindedness Leads Them Into Stormy Paths.

The absent-minded men are hopeless cases. One of them played one of his old tricks the other day. He was walking down Fifth avenue, states the New York Tribune, when he saw some one coming toward him whose face seemed to be familiar. His own story best explains the situation.

"I was conscious," he said, "that I knew the man very well, but I was thinking of something and his approach did not make a clearly defined impression on my brain. I was also conscious that when he saw me he gave a start and took a step toward me with his hand outstretched. And yet all that did not recall me sufficiently from my thoughts to enable me to realize clearly just what was happening. I said, in an absent way, 'How do you do?' and walked on as if I were in the habit of seeing him every day or as if I were only slightly acquainted with him. Even in that minute I was aware to the fact that there was a queer light in his face and that he returned my bow very stiffly.

"It was not until I had gone a couple of squares down the avenue that it flashed into my mind that the man was one of my oldest and most intimate friends, whom I had not seen in several years, and that when he had started to greet me cordially I had worse than cut him by giving him a cold bow. I then, as a man will do, turned to hurry back after him, but of course he was gone."

Here is another extreme case which seems improbable, but for the truth of which the writer can vouch. A New Yorker who made a trip to California was met at the pier in Oakland by a man, who rushed up to him and wrung his hand heartily.

"How do you do, Will?" cried the stranger with delight. "I heard you were coming and I thought you would like to have me meet you."

"The New Yorker looked at the other man in blank astonishment. 'I'm afraid,' he said, 'that there is some mistake. I do not seem to

know you."

"Well," said the other with a laugh, "you are a cool fellow to joke in that way. But how long are you going to stay out here? I want you to come to our house."

"But my dear sir," declared the New York man earnestly, "I don't know you. I never saw you before. I can't imagine what you can mean."

"Oh, if that's the case," was the reply in tones of indignation, "I will not trouble you. But just to refresh your very remarkable memory I propose to tell you that I know you. I am your cousin, George. We were boys together, we went to school together, and you haven't changed in appearance, and I do not think that I have. Good day, sir," and he started to walk away in disgust, but the New Yorker ran after him, offering a thousand apologies. He is a man who cannot remember even faces.

STORY OF A MAD DOG'S BITE.

How a Young Woman Occasioned a Great Deal of Excitement.

"The girl had been bitten by a mad dog," said the business woman, "and had neglected to have the wound cauterized, although it was much inflamed and the marks of the animal's teeth showed plainly. Her grandmother tried the old-fashioned remedies; they put milk poultices and things on it, and the girl came to the office regularly and went on with her work.

"One day, about two weeks after the accident she came to my desk. Her eyes were glittering with fever, her face burning, and her features seemed swollen. She threw herself against me with a cry of despair. 'I'm sick,' she gasped, 'I must give up. I'm burning up with fever, and my throat—I—I—can't swallow.'

"I looked at her, and my heart stood still. She read my thoughts. 'I know,' she said, 'I know, but help me to be calm until I get home. I am holding myself together by a supreme effort. Help me and don't be frightened. I've felt this coming on for three days.'

"The hand she laid upon my shoulder

quar trembled visibly; she spoke with an evident effort.

"I went down stairs and called for a cab wrapped her up, put her in and followed. It was a long ride up town and she huddled together over in one corner as if she could not endure to be touched. I tried to talk a little, and to treat the matter lightly, but I assure you that this ride was the most terrible experience of my life. Every moment I expected that she would fasten her teeth in me.

"We reached her home, she was put to bed and a lot of doctors summoned. 'She had (and recovered from), not hydrophobia, but a very severe case of diphtheria.' There was an audible silence and then a general sigh of relief.

A Snake in Armor.

While gathering flowers in the woods a farmer recently stirred up a snake, which he attempted to kill with a stone. Contact of the stone with the snake's body gave back a metallic sound, and thereupon he hammered the reptile upon the head until it was dead. He then discovered that two-thirds of the snake's body was incased in a section of gas pipe one inch in diameter. Whether the snake had crawled into the pipe when young and grown fast or was wearing it for self-protection is a conundrum.

Hard to Kill.

Carp is known to be hard to kill, but one sent to Pendleton from Portland, Ore., lately beats the record. It had traveled all the way from Portland on ice and there were bruises on its head, showing that an attempt had been made there to take its life, but when the box was opened this "fresh fish" was found to be moving around as though accustomed to such trifles.

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Baby Mine!

Every mother feels an indescribable dread of the pain and danger attendant upon the most critical period of her life. Becoming a mother should be a source of joy to all, but the suffering and danger of the ordeal make its anticipation one of misery.

MOTHER'S FRIEND

is the remedy which relieves women of the great pain and suffering incident to maternity; this hour which is dreaded as woman's severest trial is not only made painless, but all the danger is removed by its use. Those who use this remedy are no longer despondent or gloomy; nervousness, nausea and other distressing conditions are avoided, the system is made ready for the coming event, and the serious accidents so common to the critical hour are obviated by the use of Mother's Friend. It is a blessing to woman.

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