

Rugs For All

They are here now and have been shipped to us on Consignment only and must be sold before January 1st.

\$200 Worth of Small Rugs \$200

These Rugs represent a choice selection and we guarantee to save you at least 40 per cent on your money. They will range in prices

From \$1.00 to \$7.00.

Toys For The Kids!

We have a lot of very desirable Toys left over from last year which we are selling at cost. Call and see them.

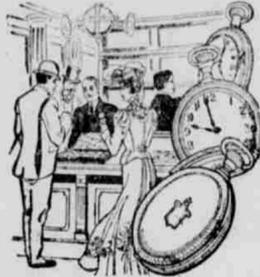
Pictures! Pictures!

A nice line of pictures and picture frames can be found at this store. Don't you want one?

Streight & Streight

The Furniture Men.

PLATTSMOUTH, - NEBRASKA.



B. A. McElwain

Jeweler

We are ready for the Holidays and invite you to inspect our showing of

CHRISTMAS GOODS



What will I buy? Where will I get it? This is the question which almost every one will ask themselves when the Holiday Season arrives. But it is a question easily solved if you will come to us. The advantage you have here is in the variety of styles and every piece of goods sold is absolutely guaranteed to be as represented. I would appreciate a share of your trade.

POTTERY! POTTERY!

A fine selection of Vases, Flower Holders, Tiles and Fancy Art Pieces.

LEATHER GOODS.

Cigar Cases, Bill Books, Memo Books, Ladies' Hand Bags.

SOLID GOLD JEWELRY.

Locketts, Charms, Cuff Buttons, Brooches, Pins, La Vallieres, Chains, Bracelets.

HOLIDAY CUT GLASS.

Bowls, Comports, Vases, Baskets, Nappies, Ferneries, Glasses, Flower Pots, 75c to \$1.00.

RINGS FOR YOUNG AND OLD.

Set Rings Signet Rings, Baby Rings, Shirtwaist Rings, Band Rings, Engraved Rings, 50c to \$25.00.

CLOCKS! CLOCKS!

For Beauty and Service. Mantle Clocks, Gold Clocks, Kitchen Clocks, Alarm Clocks.

CHRISTMAS DIAMONDS.

Happy is the recipient of a Ring, Brooch, Stud, Ear Studs, Necklace, Bracelet, Charm, Cuff Buttons.

WATCHES! WATCHES!

That keep good Time. Ladies' Gold and Gold-Filled Watches, Men's Gold and Gold-Filled Watches, Girls' and Boys' Watches of all kinds. From \$1.00 up.

BRACELETS THAT PLEASE.

Gold-Filled Bracelets, 75c to \$10.00.

NEWEST COMBS.

Parisian Style Brilliant Combs, Plain and Fancy Mounted Combs.

STERLING SILVER GIFTS.

Trays, Baskets, Cups, Cigar and Cigarette Boxes.

TOILET SETS.

Plated Toilet Sets, \$8.00 to \$10.00.

STERLING SILVER.

Teaspoons, from \$3.50 to \$9.00 per set. Teaspoons, from 75c to \$2.50 each.

UMBRELLAS.

Ladies' Umbrellas, Men's Umbrellas, Umbrellas of all kinds and prices.

FESTOON NECKLACES.

A very large and Well Selected Stock of Imported Fancy Festoon Necklaces.

NECK CHAINS AND LOCKETS.

Every Conceivable Style and Price Represented here.

PICTURE FRAMES.

Mosaic Frames, Fancy Gold Frames, all sizes.

HAND PAINTED CHINA.

A grand collection of Rich China from the world's best artists.

WATERMAN'S IDEAL FOUNTAIN PENS.

Ask to see the new Safety Pen.

B. A. McELWAIN,

JEWELER AND SILVERSMITH.

"ON THE SUNNY SIDE OF MAIN STREET." PLATTSMOUTH, B.

THE QUESTION OF THE HOUR



WHAT SHALL I GIVE

This question's most easily answered at the Variety Store. Our counters are filled with many useful as well as ornamental articles that will appeal to any one. For the children, toys of all descriptions. Prices are not only right but below the average for the same quality of merchandise. Get our prices before making your purchases and you'll save money. Do your Xmas shopping now and do it at the Variety store.

The Variety Store

Plattsmouth, Neb., 3rd Door East of Bank of Cass County.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

And we are here with the goods

No such display of furniture was ever shown in Plattsmouth and much of the stock is suitable for Christmas presents.

Come and see our

RUGS, CARPETS, CHAIRS

and other swell articles, just the thing for gifts

WE CARRY TOYS

Just what you want for the little folks to make them happy. Call and see what we have.

M. HILD

The Furniture Man, Sixth Street

BERLIN'S CHRISTMAS

THE DAY NOT LIKE IT WAS FIFTY YEARS AGO.

The Old Customs of the Burgers Have Been Forgotten by the New-er Generation in the Modern Hub of Empire.



AMERICAN and English newspapers at Christmas time often have picturesque accounts of the German Christmas, which conjure up a clear frosty atmosphere and re-echo the song of the skates on the frozen lakes. For the Anglo-Saxon notion of the German Christmas is drawn from those childhood hours spent over Hans Andersen and Grimm, and the sight of a Christmas tree brings to mind the wood-cutter tramping home through the snow laden forest, trailing behind him the fir tree for his family Christmas celebration, while, in the towns, the black quadrangle of the venerable market place is picked out in lights blazing on the trees in the windows of the gabled houses.

Fifty years ago, before the young German giant had awakened from the sleep of centuries, this idea of the peaceful German Christmas was correct, the Berlin correspondent of the New York Evening Post says. But if one of the burghers of old Berlin, returning from making his Christmas purchases on Christmas eve, were to be transplanted into the roaring hub of empire which his *hauptstadt* has become in the year of grace, 1909, the good man would probably expire on the spot.

Fifty years ago, when Berlin was a dirty, unpretentious, provincial town, with ill-lighted, ill-paved streets, with a population renowned even in those days for its surly manners and uncouthness, and with the iron hand of militarism unchecked over it all, the Christmas festival was the tranquil celebration of which one has read. In the Lustgarten, before the castle, a Christmas fair was annually established, which the king and royal family used to visit to buy jumping jacks and gingerbread for the palace Christmas trees, like any other German family. The Lustgarten fair has passed away, the king of Prussia has become German emperor, Berlin has developed into a fair and beautiful city, and all that remains of the Christmas of once upon a time is the spirit—indeed, a precious inheritance, that still holds the branches of the myriads of Christmas trees which

rich and poor alike set up in their houses on the eve of the feast.

Christmas Doooms Trade.

"Christmas booms trades of all kinds," said a statistician of New York. "It is, on the whole, a busy day."

"Take groceries and fruit. A big grocer tells me that where ordinarily he sends out 100 tons of groceries a day at Christmas time he sends out 130 tons. And of oranges, he sells a million a week in December as against 500,000 a week at other times.

"Turkeys go from 6,000 to 14,000 in this firm's output, nutmegs from five to 18 tons, raisins from 2,000 to 9,000 boxes and cigars from 1,000 to 3,000 boxes.

"Wines and spirits, which are popular Christmas gifts, sell 50 per cent. better than in any other month. I know a man who sold \$225,000 worth of whisky last December as against an average of \$125,000 for the other months of the year."

A Way We Have at Christmas.

She looked at the little man archly. "Hubby," she said, "do you know you are beginning to grow rather handsome?"

"It's a way I have," he answered, "as Christmas draws near."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Santa Claus Abroad.

It is strange to contemplate the great variety of forms the Santa Claus custom assumes in different countries. In Belgium the little ones fill their shoes with carrots and oats and hay for the white horse St. Nicholas is supposed to drive. Very early in the morning they run to the room in which their shoes have been left and find that the provender has gone and in its place candies and presents are found.

Among the Carpathian mountains it is St. Peter, who, dressed as a bishop, and accompanied by the dreadful Ruprecht, is expected by the children on Christmas eve. The visitor first delivers a short sermon, lays on the table a rod whitened with chalk, and takes his departure with his tinkling bells, while Ruprecht follows close behind. The children now hasten to pull off their shoes, polish them and tie them together; and, as soon as the last notes of Niklo's bells have become lost in the distance they run into the garden and secrete their shoes beneath a bush. They spend the time until 10 o'clock in relating stories, then go to their shoes, to find them filled with apples, nuts and goodies.

"What did people do before steel pens were invented?" asked the teacher.

"The pinions of one goose were used to spread the opinions of another," answered the wise boy at the pedal extremity of the class.—Judge's Library.

Christmas Suggestions!

Buy something useful. Finest line of Cutlery and Nickel Plated Ware ever shown in this town. Call and see us.

Also Headquarters for

Safety Razors

Scissors

Razors

Shot Guns

Tools

Shaving Mirrors

Table Cuttery

Pocket Knives

Manicure Sets

Rifles

Fancy Kitchen Utensils

Tool Sets

Carving Sets

Aluminum Ware, etc.

JOHN BAUER.

Cold Weather

Comforts

Our Coal is the best cool weather comfort that you will be able to find in town. These chilly fall winds will soon turn into winter and you will need the comfort that our coal will give you. Better order early to avoid disappointments when an extra chilly day comes.

J. V. Egenberger