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HELPFUL HINTS FOR HOLIDAY BUYERS

For months we have been planning for our Christmas display and are now ready to have you come in and pass judgment on the results. We began early, took plenty of time and bought carefully. In many cases secured rare bargains on goods of unusual worth. In fact, worthiness is the distinctive feature of our stock; everything in it combines usefulness with beauty. We want you to come and see our stock.

Come Early and Often

Come even if you are not ready to buy, as it will give you valuable suggestions as to what would be suitable. It is needless to urge the advantage of early selections, you realize that this alaways pays. Goods on which a small payment has been made will be laid aside for you and we will pack and ship things to be sent to out-of-town friends. When so ordered, goods for people in town will be delivered Christmas morning. We wish to make this an easy, satisfactory and economical Christmas for you.

Try This Plan

Make a list of all you wish to make a present to and when looking over the following items note opposite the names anything that seems suitable, then come and see the goods. In this way you can do a good share of your holiday shopping in the quiet of your own home and avoid much of the worry of choosing holiday gifts.

Brushes

The improvement in the manufacture of brushes and the beautiful material used for mounting these makes a brush a good gift for any one—especially between members of the same family. We have them in Sterline, Ebony, Staghorn, Rosewood, Foxwood, Olive and a variety of natural wood backs. Some especially fine ones in Silver. Military Brushes, Hair and Cloth Brushes, Etc., singly or in sets. Good ones from 25 cents up.

Mirrors

Hand, Stand and Oval Mirrors. The former with backs to match the Brushes. All glass of heavy French plate. Prices, 60 cents up.

Toilet Cases

A large variety and in every desirable combination. Also a nice lot of Traveling Cases that a man will appreciate whether he travels or not. This is one line where we can't be beaten either as to price or quality.

Toys

We were fitted out by one of the best toy factories in the middle west and can guarantee you'll purchase when you see our fine display in iron, mechanical and stationery toys. A fine line of steam engines, air guns, etc.

Smokers Goods

Something in this line will please a smoker if the quality be right, and you insure that by letting us help you. We probably know his favorite brand of cigars. Also a nice line of pipes to choose from. 25 cents up. Cigar Cases, Match Boxes, Etc., Etc.

Books

Our store is especially strong in picture books. We have them from the A. B. C. for the little tots up to the History and travels for the larger children. Prices range from 10c to 75c.

Leather Goods

FOR MEN:

Fine wallets, bill books, pocket books, purses, coin bags, etc., from 25 cents up. Nothing worth while in this line but that we have and at the fairest possible prices.

Shaving Sets

If he doesn't shave himself make it an object for him to do so by giving him a good outfit. We have the kind of equipment that makes shaving both easy and pleasant. The best Rezors, Strops, Mugs, Lather Brushes, Etc.

Confectionrey

We handle Douglas Chocolates and Special Confections—the kind that pleases critical people. If you will want something extra nice in this line give us your order now. Fancy gift packages 25 cents to \$1.75.

Perfumes

You will want to give perfumes no matter what else you give. Our stock is always large and is surprisingly complete. More so than ever for the holidays. We can supply your every need. High grade perfumes, imported or domestic, in magnificent gift packages, up to \$2 00 and as low as 25 cents. Also the same goods in bulk.

A fine array of Colognes, Toilet Waters, Sachet Powders, Etc.

Atomizers

Beautiful imported ones for gift purposes. A dainty gift alone or, better still, filled with some of our good odors. Prices range from 50 cents up.

Stationery

Many items in this line that make good Christmas tokens. Stationery in special boxes with holly decorations, from 25 cents up. Mooney's Fountain Pens—all warranted—\$1.00 up to \$3.75. Gold Pens, those for ladies having pearl handles, from \$1.00 up. Desk Sets, Fancy Ink Stands, Paper Weights, Desk Pads, Etc.

Other Gift Lines

It is out of the question to do more than outline our stock in this space. Each of these lines stand for scores of gifts that you should know about. Come and see them.

Fancy Goods in celluloid, plush, wood, leather and metal. Pictures, Medallions, Games, Toys, Dolls, Fine China, Decorated Lamps.

S. R. LEE.

EVILS OF MODERN LIFE.

Harm Done by Hurry and Worry of Our Modern Civilization.

Not long ago, while traveling, I chanced to stop at a village on the river Rhine, where I found an astontshing number of old people. There were a dozen over one hundred years age, and many from 80 years old up to the century mark; yet straight and vigorous. One woman nearly a hundred years old was earning her living by picking hops; her grandchildren were middle-aged. It was quite wonderful. But there was no mystery about it; it was merely the effect of a simple life spent largely in the fields, with plain diet, consisting of a few vegetables and trults, little meat, and native beer and wine for beverages.

Nothing can be more obvious than that the very complexity of our modern civilization is shortening our lives. But of all the evils that afflict us the worst and most destructive are hurry and worry. Hurry drives the body machine beyond its capacity, while worry racks it inwardly. Of the two worry is probably the worse. This might, indeed, be called the age of worry. Because of the intense nervous strain to which we are subjected, we do vastly more worrying than did our forebears. The average man of to-day is continually surrounded and pursued by phantom troubles, which, though few of them ever materialize into realities, haunt him continually, ruining his peace of mind and infuring his health.-Dr. John V. Shoemaker in the Reader.

SETTLED CASE RIGHT THERE.

Revenue Officer's Argument Cogent and All-Convincing.

Miss Dorothea Klumpke, the astronomer, was talking about the difficulties and intricacles that astronomy presents to the lay mind.

"For instance," she said, "there is the well-known case of the meteorite that fell on a Vermont farm in '96. It was a valuable meteorite, and the landlord at once stepped up and claimed it. 'All minerals and metals on the land belong to me,' he said. "That's in the lease."

"But the tenant demurred. "This meteorite,' he said 'wasn't on the farm, you must remember, when the lease was drawn up."

"The landlord perceived the justice of that claim. He thought moment. Then he said, decisively: claim her as flying game."

"But the tenant was ready for him. 'She's got neither wings nor feathers,' he said. 'Therefore, as ground game, she's mine.'

"They continued their argument, and in the heat of it a revenue officer arriving with a truck proceeded to put the meteorite aboard. I claim her for the government, he said, as an article introduced into the country without payment of duty."

Avoiding Vengeance.

After Miss Screamer had sung "by request" a gentleman was observed to leave the room with considerable celerity.

"I call that rudeness," declared one guest. "Don't you?"

"Can't say," answered the guest addressed. "It may be prudence. He looks to me like the man who did the requesting."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Hasty Reassurance.
"I was so glad to meet your mother," said Mr. Newcomer. "By the way, I didn't think she was—er—so very

stout—"
"Oh," intetrrupted Miss Yerner.
"I'm sure I'll never grow to be like
her. I take after pa, you know."

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A Racine or Dunlap Buggy or Spring Wagon; no better made, the factory name plate on each job.

Horse Blankets, Lap Robes.

A few Wagons at \$58.00 and \$63.00. For a Complete Housekeeping Outfit, see me.

GEO. WILLING.

Stoves

When it comes to stoves that do not require heaps of talk we are there. The stoves we have do the work and recommend themselves. They have a reputation built on merit.

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Talk to us about International gasoline engines—stationary and traction—from 2 to 15 horse power.

All Kinds of Feed Grinders.

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MONEY to Loan.

I am prepared to place money on good improved farms at lower rates than has ever been offered in Custer county. Call and see me. Also bargains in farms. Will sell you a farm on easy terms of payment.

Do not rent when you can buy.

James Ledwich,

Broken Bow, Nebr.

We now have in Broken Bow a very interesting store. It is conducted by Herbert Watts and located first door south of postoffice. Ever since moving into this new building Herbert has had "something doing" in the way of startling bargains in every line repre-Especially are the ladies pleased with the sented. every changing display of beautiful dishes at unheard Also the many pleasing and amusing novelties comic and artistic have provoked smiles on the face of the pessimist, and unloosed the purse strings of the miserly. At present there is to be seen at this attractive store an extraordinary showing of Christmas Goods, representing every known Xmas gift invented by the ingenious Yankee. Toys, games, novelties, etc.