

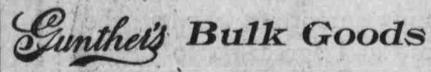
Famous Candies, are the most delicious candies made. It is an absolute fact that it is a question of "not how cheap, but how good" they can be made. Mr. Gunther is constantly giving instructions, to buy the best crystal sugar—the best materials of all kinds and make them as good as possible. There is no glucose in them. They do not leave any of that peculiar "after-taste" in your mouth.

Candy for the Children

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By William Hamilton Osborne.

aunt, and at intervals other members of a things in particular.

care of a discretionary broker. Mr. Biddle mas he was after. was not the only individual who was taking a flyer on Wall street just at that time. it would never stop. Young Mr. Biddle posed purchases, and-more than all-his sighed deeply. This should be his first \$600. and last experience. He had lost and it had served him right.

from his broker. It requested him to devil's this." row strip of paper in his hand as he fail us, will you?"

Copyright, 1903, by William H. Osborne.) | short. He made no effort to go farther. Mr. George Washington Biddle was a For at the psychological moment the good entious young man. He had had right arm of Strong-Arm Smith shot forth great ambitions, but these were lost sight and caught young Mr. Biddle just behind all right. ter, his widowed mother and his maiden interest in everything hi general, and most

Five minutes later Mr. Smith emerged family which had ever been, and ever would be genteelly poverty stricken. So from the alley. Mr. Biddle did not. Ho young Mr. Biddle pegged away at his job lay well within the shadow. After a fifty children were buying "fty Christnumber of hours he revived and went But locked in his bosom was a tremen- home-heavy and disconsolate with disap- had distributed at the church. The whole dous secret. He had taken a little fiyer pointment. He was glad now that he had police force were watching out, without down upon the street. He had put up just so said nothing about the secret. He said result, for Strong-Arm Smith. The local much margin, saved by a judicious avoid- to himself that before the next Christmas ance of lunch counters for several months, he might save up a little more, take an-and had placed the small amount in the other little flyer and then—have the Christ-thing.

Strong-Arm Smith stopped under a convenient lamp post and examined the wal-The rush was for Consolidated. As usual, let he had filched, It contained several of the crash occurred just at the unexpected the private papers of Mr. Biddle, among time. Consolidated went down as though them his broker's letter, his list of pro-

Mr. Smith whistled. "That duck didn't wait, and wait." look as though he had 500 cents. He didn't But if George Washington Biddle had At this juncture he received a letter now, and that's a fact. But what the been astounded when he had wen out on

demand for more margin, or, what was of a Christmas entertainment to be held drove up to the Biddle house on Christmase, a demand for a loss—a loss that he that evening in the brick church. Scrib—mas morning and unloaded everything it could never pay. The broker saw him as bled across it in a woman's hand were he entered, stepped over to a clerk, and these words: "Mr. Biddle, we rely upon

lucky few, Bid- protracted. As he finished it, he heard a and this here is 19 Sylvan Place." Biddle

had Biddle's address, of course, from Bid-dle's cards. While he had ransacked the wallet he had come upon two letters signed by the name of 'Peggy." They were let-

ters of an unmistakable kind.
"It isn't on the list," said Smith, "but, by George, I'll do it!" He visited a Fifth avenue jewelry store and picked out a handsome solitaire. "Just put a card in that, will you," he said, "and say, just mark it, 'Sweet Pegny,' if you got time, I don't know her, but I bet she's sweets all right,

marked, "I'm through-through, and just about cleaned out. But it's all right, all right. And now for Christmas for myself." Back in Biddle's town fifty parents of

mases on Strong-Arm Smith's \$1 which he department store was crowded. Everybody was buying anything and every-

Everybody but George Washington Biddle. He could not buy because he had no He was forced to reconcile himself to the situation.

"Hang it all," he exclaimed profanely 'there I was going to propose to Peggy and buy her a ring-just on the strength of that \$500. Now it means just walt, and

the decline of Consolidated, he was still He called, assuming that it was a It was nothing but a printed program more so when the local express wagon

"Must be some mistake," said Biddle to came toward Mr. Biddle, waving a nar- you to be our Santa Claus as usual. Don't the expressman. The expressman snorted. "Ain't no mistake," he answered, "not Mr. Smith's investigation had been too if your name is George Washington Biddle,



"TT'S ALL DUE TO THE GENEROSITY OF A MAN NAMED SMITH."

-first," he answered. "Later I was fortunate enough to sell. And there you are Come in again." Mr. George Washington it was just possible that he might come in again. But not just now. He would sight of a black and gilt sign.

do to tell his mother or his sister or his aunt of this stroke of luck. Christmas be forced, he looked in. He saw a small luxuriant fashlon. Here was his opporwhich would be the real thing and no

forgive him then.
"This Christmas," remarked Mr. George Washington Biddle to himself, "will be a Christmas that is Christmas and no mis-

Mr. Biddle was only one atom among the aggregation of people who contemplated Christmas. Some of them contemplated it with full hearts and empty purses; some with full purses and empty hearts. One of the many men who contemplated

it was a gentleman of the name of Strong-Arm Smith. Strong-Arm Smith, however, albeit usually in funds, found himself posseemed of barely \$60 with which to spend the holidays.

"And what's 150," muttered Strong-Arm Smith, "to a man of means like me? I eed \$500 if I need a cent. To work, to and merry we'll be.'

entlemen are constantly on the lookout for him. Even in winter, the climate of each place was overwarm for Mr. Smith. When one place became too hot, he strolled n toward the next. It was only a few days before the holidays that his individual rtune had dwindled to the aforementioned im of \$50. And it was only a few days before Christmas that he happened upon the suburban city in which pesided Mr. George Washington Biddle. Mr. Biddle's own was quite a town. It has its own department store and was well equipped in

every way. From the time that Mr. Biddle received its check from his broker, to just two days before Christmas, he occupied his mind continually with the allotment, the quantity and quality and price of presents. He carefully prepared a list, changing it materially several times a day, but finally getting it arranged to his satisfaction. Then ne got his check cashed. On December 23 he reached home early, took an early supper and sallied out at un early hour. With him, in his pocketbook, was his \$500, and his list of purchases which it was his pur-

Another man with Christmas plans afoot so sallied forth. It was Strong-Arm imith. But he went about them in a queer manner. While all the town was crowding the stores Mr. Smith jurked in the shadow of a very dark alleyway.

Mr. Biddle had never seen Mr. Smithhas never seen him to this day. Mr. Smith had never seen Mr. Biddle. But what's the ids—one man was just as good as another Mr. Smith. He heard the footfalls of Mr. Biddle. He peered out.

"This duck," remarked Mr. Smith to him-

He," he remarked, as he passed the paper noise, and, looking up, saw two plain over. It was a check to the order of clothes men bearing down upon him. The George Washington Biddle for just \$500. had recognized him, and it was their pur Biddle nearly fainted. pose to arrest him on general principles. bought Consolidated. You—you told me him. Smith was a slick article, but so you would." The broker grinned. "I did were they. But Smith knew that the

longer the chase kept up the worse for him; for there are such things as telephones, and they could head him off by Biddle thought in his heart of hearts that sending word out to the whole force. He was well night spent, when his eye caught were the words: "Brick Presbyterian All this happened about the first part of Church." His brain moved rapidly, "By December. Mr. George Washington Bid- George!" he muttered breathlessly, "the dle made up his mind that it would not very thing." He crept to the back of the church, and, finding a window that could

was approaching. Mr. Biddle had always and unoccupied room. Thrown across the yearned to celebrate Christmas after a most back of a chair was a mysterious contunity. He would secrete this \$500 until 'and hair and cotton. It was nothing less a gentleman named Smith." He rubbed and nothing more than the Santa Claus a bump on the back of his head as he costume to be worn by Mr. Biddle. giomeration of red and white; of cloth The two police officers followed closely mistake. And he would blow the whole on his heels. They were quite sure from crowd off to a dinner in New York, and his persistency in cluding them that he the theater on top of that. Then he might had been up to a trick or two. The trail, whispered into the ear of Miss Peggy Wal-

tell them about his little flyer-they could however, stopped short at Brick Church. The officer at one end of the block had seen him pass (without knowing him, of ourse)-the officer at the other end had not seen him; nor had anybody else. The was \$500 ahead of the game. For in that two men ransacked the neighborhood. Then letter the postman brought he found that they entered the church. The entertainment was in full blast. A Santa Claus rend as follows: was on hand who was making things hum. He kept the children in a roar of laughter.

"George Biddle is outdoing himself tonight," remarked the adults in the room. He was, more than they knew. For this was Mr. Smith's first attendance at such head as you were the other night. Don't an entertainment. He enjoyed it. He was do it any more. The enclosed five is mine Santa Claus incarnate, for wherever he and it's my Christmas present to you. saw a small youngster whose shoes were Merry Christmas to all and to all a good old, or whose jacket and trousers did not night. Yrs. quite meet in the waist line, he surrepti- "He needn't know how or where I got thously doled out to him \$1 of the \$50 which the extra five," said Mr. Smith to himork, my boy. For Christmas is coming he had tucked away. "Poor little chaps," he said to himself. When he finished his night of December 24 he had cracked a Strong-Arm Smith is a man who is well as was all gone. Suddenly he became mown in New York and vicinity. Several aware of the presence of the two plain clothes men. So he raised his hand to command silence, "Now, little ki-children," he exclaimed, "you'll have the greatest treat of all. Wait till Santa Claus comes the second day of January. back." He crossed to his dresing room,

closed the door and disroped. He never came back. The plain clothes men spent some little time in the church rying to spot Strong-Arm Smith. Finally they gave it up. When they had done so, Strong-Arm Smith was far away. But there was something the matter with him: experience among the Youngsters had made him sentimental; the Christmas spirit was upon him.

"Hang It!" said Strong-Arm Smith to timself, as he sped toward New York by rall, "I hadn't oughter took the stuff offen that duck. Maybe it was all he had. hadn't oughter done it."

Again he reviewed the contents of the purse. Forty minutes later Strong-Arm Smith was standing at the counter of New York department store. "I got whole lot of bang-up things," he said the girl, "that I got to get. Just pick me out the very best you've got in that line on the list which Mr. Biddle had made out. He bought it and paid for it.

"I'll tell you, young woman," he went on.
"I wish you'd just write me a card to go
with that." The girl nodded. "What shall I put on it?" she inquired. Smith consulted his list.

"Just write on that," he answered with out a quiver of an eyelid, 'Mamma, from George.'

The girl dissolved in exuberant laughter. "This duck," remarked Mr. Smith to himself, "don't look like a great deal, but he
may have the stuff. I suppose I'll have to
do a half dosen of 'em before I get what
I'm looking for."
George Washington Biddle reached a
point just opposite Mr. Smith, and stopped

aspected the packages. They were all lainly marked. "Dear me," he exclaimed, "I can't un-

along and handed him a letter and a

small square box. Were the Biddle family surprised? They Surprised from the tops of their heads to the soles of their shoes. George bustled about and knocked the covers off everything and opened them up.

And there they were. "Come now," he exclaimed after awhile, 'get over it, for you and I and-and Peggy Wallace-are all going to have a day in New York."

"George!" gasped his mother, "how did George waved his hand. 'Tt's all due,' he said, truthfully, "to the generosity of a gentleman named Smith." He rubbed

That was as near as the family ever go to the secret of George Washington Biddle. That afternoon at the theater George lace, and receiving some kind of an answer, he slipped a fine solitaire upon her finger. So it was satisfactory all around. Beyond that George Washington Biddle

sum, and a little note beside. The note "Dear Bir-I note from some correspondence in your wallet that you took a little flyer on the street. I want to say that that's the way I started, and that if you really want to lose your money, it's pleasanter and safer to be knocked in the

"He needn't know how or where I got pelf. Smith knew, however. For on the provincial bank and relieved it of about \$2,000 in bills. Five hundred of this had gone to Mr. George Washington Biddle, to whom it never occurred that it was stolen money. The balance lasted Mr. Smith until

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