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F. O. AIKEN, V. Pres. GEO. W. WOLCOTT, 2d V. Pres.

3 to 4. Agriculture.
1. Methods of Teaching.
2. Simple Experiments.
3. Advantages.

J. P. Copeland
Thursday, 19th December.

9 to 10.--Forms in all Written Work.

1. Value of Written Work.
2. Discussion.
Miss Downs, Leader

3. Business Education.
Hon. M. L. E. Ahead

10 to 11.--Arithmetic.

Fractions:
1. Fundamental Operations.
2. Methods.

J. S. Long

11 to 12.--Nature Study in Lower Grades.

1. Methods of Study.
2. Value.

Miss Craig

NOON

1 to 2.--Why I am a Teacher.--Is Teaching my Sphere?

Institute

2 to 3.--Practical Child Study.--Do Parents Know Their Own Children?

Prof. J. U. Williams

3 to 4.--Round Table. Subject: Spencer.

Social Meeting:
Friday, 20th December.

9 to 10.--Arithmetic.

1. Practical Application of Percentage.
2. Best Methods of Presenting.

Prof. W. P. Weaver

10 to 11.--Language Study in

1. Methods.
2. Value.

Miss Craig

11 to 12.--Nature Study

1. Plants, Why so Interesting to Children?
2. Animals, Why so interesting to Children?

Mrs. E. M. Long

NOON.

1 to 2.--School Law.

1. Recent School Legislation.
2. Needed School Legislation.

Hon. A. L. Green.

2 to 3--My difficulties in teaching

Institute.

3 to 3:30--What benefits have I obtained from Institutes?

All Present.

3:30 to 4--Social meeting.

7:30 to 10 p m--Rally.

LECTURES BY PROMINENT MEN.

1. Physiological effect of Narcotics on human system.
Dr. O. H. Jenkins.

2. School Sanitation.
Dr. Asanford.

3. Hygiene of School room.
Dr. M. E. Campbell.

4. Civics.
Citizens.

5. Making the great citizen of the pupil.--Hon. R. N. Gisham.

Miss Ada Tom.

Miss Ada Tom announces this week as candidate for county and district clerk. Miss Tom is well known to the people of Martin, having lived here the greater part of her life and her long experience as deputy clerk gives her to be a thoroughly capable office holder.

She is a most capable and attentive young lady and should be elected we are sure would give entirely satisfactory service.

She solicits

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.

Those wishing to announce in this column can be guided by the following Fees:

For county and District offices, \$7.50
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These prices include a brief introduction of the candidate at the time of announcing.

For County and District Clerk,

H. HAMILTON

W. A. KADERLI

W. D. KYLE

MISS ADA TOM

For County Judge,

S. W. PRATT

For Tax Assessor,

J. E. HENSON

J. M. RODEN, JR

J. M. MEDLEN

R. E. BREWER

For Sheriff and Tax Collector,

F. F. MURPHY

T. B. HARDIN

J. R. [DICK] ARNETT

For Treasurer:

ANNIS RICHARDSON

J. R. SALE

L. P. JONES

L. P. Jones.

L. P. Jones comes before the voters this week as candidate for treasurer of Martin and attached county. Mr. Jones is a splendid man and a good citizen who is always interested in the upbuilding of his town and country.

He is well qualified to hold office and asks for your consideration should he be elected will

draw your valuable

attention.

With The Railroad.

There is nothing that can be said of the road this week further than that work is still progressing as rapidly as could be expected. Ten miles of the grade is about completed and the company are notifying the stock holders that their first payment will be due and to be in readiness

for same. It will be remembered that those who subscribed for stock were to pay a tenth as each ten miles of the grade was finished.

The Best Wishes of the Season

To the Solitary, the dwellers apart, by choice or by chance, with heart-fires that for one burn dull and for two would glow and sing—to all of these,

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!

To them that are set in Families, where love, bestowed with no thought of its return, passes back and forth abundantly between open hearts—to all of these, parents, children, kinsmen, friends,

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!

To the Poor and the Rich, envying each the others' freedom from the cares of too little and too much, yet arising year by year that without health and enthusiasm and faith and love, none can be rich, and with them none can be poor—to these,

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!

To the Workers, the vast fortunate majority, in humble places and in high, often baffled and disheartened, questioning if there is not somewhere for them a greater work with a greater reward; yet happy at the last if they will have it so, in seeing the figure they have wrought in the fabric of living, a figure drawn by the great Designer for their weaving and none other's—to all of these,

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!

To the Young, the years ahead, years that show but a span in the centuries since the Light first shone from Bethlehem upon the paths of service, humility and sacrifice and gave to all the ages a spirit that has made them one; to Young and Old, treading with gladness these lighted paths, even though not always knowing whence the Light comes—to all,

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!

—Youth's Companion.

MARTIN COUNTY TEACHERS INSTITUTE

PROGRAM FROM DECEMBER SIXTEENTH TO THE TWENTIETH

Monday, 16th December.

9 to 9:30--Opening Exercises.

1. Organization.

9:40 to 10:50--Nature and Objects of Education;

1. Important Educational Principles

2. Forms of Instruction

3. Methods of Instruction

Mrs. E. M. Long

10:50 to 12--Government;

1. Interpreting the Actions of Children.

2. Managing the "Bad Boy."

3. Managing the "Bad Girl."

Mr. Copeland

Mr. Eidson

NOON

1 to 1:50--Composition;

1. Thought.

2. Sentence.

3. Paragraph.

Miss Downs

1:50 to 2:30--Numbers--Methods of Presenting to Beginners.

Miss Craig

2:30 to 3--Reports;

1. Need of Accurate Reports.

2. Special Importance.

3. Value of Accurate Reports.

Judge Anderson

3 to 4.--Round Table.--J. S. Long, Leader.

Tuesday, 17th December.

9 to 9:15.--Opening Exercises.

9:15 to 10.--Grammar.

Substantives;

1. Grammatical Properties of, Method of Presenting.

Miss Downs

10 to 11.--Moral Training in School.

1. How best accomplished,---J. C. Mott.

2. Aims of Moral Training,---Rev. Joseph Bell.

11 to 12.--What Makes a Teacher

Discussion by Institute.

NOON

1 to 1:30.--Spencer.

Value of Various Classes of Knowledge.

J. S. Long

1:30 to 2:15.--Texas History.

1. Eras of Discoveries and Missions.

2. Model Class--Using Institute as Class.

Mrs. E. M. Long

2:15 to 3.--Composition.

1. Principles of Unity, Coherence.

2. Figures of Speech.

3. How to Present to Class.

Miss Downs

3 to 4.--Reading in Primary Grades.

1. Methods.

2. How to Secure Interest.

Discussion.

Mrs. W. P. Weaver

Wednesday, 18th December.

9 to 10.--United States History.

1. Value of,

2. How to Interest Class.

3. Epochs of Discovery and Colonization.

J. S. Long

10 to 11.--Co-operation of Parents and Teachers.

1. How Secured.

2. Benefits.

Rev. McLeod

11 to 12.--Physical Geography.

1. Why Valuable.

2. How to Present.

3. Model Class.

4. Climate and Tides.

E. M. Long

NOON

1 to 2.--Spelling.

1. Methods, Value of each.

2. Marking Syllabication.

3. Definitions.

Miss Evenly Craig

2 to 3.--Grading.

1. How accomplished.

2. Advantages.

3. Discussion.

Miss Downs

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10 pound bucket cottolene	1 10
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"The SQUEAK IN THE ENGINE."

By Helena Smith Dayton. Pictures by Angie Breakpear. "Did some one knock?" asked Tilly Googan.

"Some one is always knocking," assured Lilly without glancing up from her book. It had been a dull afternoon at the Googans' studio and the sisters were enjoying the novelty.

Tilly had already opened the door and given a comprehensive glance at the shy figure that stood without.

"I came to take lessons in automobile," explained the mellow-eyed, plantain-voiced young man.

"Don't you think you'd like the flute better?" asked Tilly. "There's a lovely teacher on the floor below."

But he shook his head. "It is the Arts and Accomplishments that I wish to give up—and learn to manage the automobile. Alas! You behold in me a disappointed and unappreciated poet." He sank into a chair with a dramatic sob and hid his face in the palms of his hands. "I am Noel Dibson Spotts!"

"Good morning, scholars!" greeted the Googans, as their pupil in motoring presented himself for his first lesson.

"Is my motor costume correct?" asked the poet anxiously.

"Everyone could wear it, but it certainly suits you. But now about those curls!" Lilly teased with the shears. "That Fauntleroy effect is rather dangerous when you poke your head around busy machinery."

"Sacrifice my hair! Never!" he cried tragically.

"Don't be too hasty about it, Lilly," pleaded Tilly. "He may be a failure as a driver and have to go back to poetry, and without his hair he could no more versify than a Chinaman can return to his native land queueless."

"Then let us on our way!" ordered Lilly crisply. "Melords, the car waits below."

Once in the machine, with Tilly at the wheel, they soon were far from the thoroughfares of town, the open country and a constructed road stretching before them. On the way out Lilly had explained many things about the car to the poet, but Noel Dibson Spotts couldn't overlook the fleecy

T. & P. TIME TABLE.

West bound, No. 3,	1:13 a. m.
West bound, No. 5,	11:13 a. m.
East bound, No. 4,	5:02 a. m.
East bound, No. 6,	6:03 p. m.

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We have no special sale on, but we know we can sell you better lumber at better prices than you usually get elsewhere. We know we will sell you if you will only let us figure on your house bill. We know that, that is if you want the best seasoned lumber at a little lower than usual. Let us prove this to you. We can do it in good lumber---at a little cheaper.

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clouds, the azure sky, the sweet fields and distant hills and all the other features of a well-arranged landscape that could be turned into verses. "Don't you think we'd better let Mr. Spotts have a try at running the



The Nine Tailors Had Done What They Could for Noel Dibson Spotts, But There Was Still Work for the Googans.

car?" asked Tilly. "The road is wide and clear—he couldn't do much damage with one of us ready to assist him."

"He must stop cloud-gazing or learn to run an airship," snapped Lilly. "Here I've talked to him all the way out, and all he really has grasped about the machine is the lamps and the number—the Alpha and Omega—but hardly enough information to get a driver's license on."

"Mr. Spotts," commanded the Googans sternly, "explain the carbureter."

Mr. Spotts' attention parachuted back to earth. He looked blank for an instant then he broke forth into the following: "Carbureter? Carbureter? Who, oh who, could 'ere forget her? Dearest little Spanish maid! Coils and coils of midnight hair, Ah, but Carbureter's fair!"

Tilly and Lilly looked at each other without a word.

"Do you hear the Song of the Engine?" asked Mr. Spotts rolling his eyes.

"It's running in perfect meter," Lilly replied. "But the words are rather indistinct from where I'm sitting."

"It's the tale of a breaking, throbbing heart!" informed Noel Dibson Spotts feelingly. "A spirit raging against its prison bars."

"It's a very happy and contented engine," contradicted Tilly. "The more it throbs and rages the happier it is."

"It's only the squeak in the engine that's unhappy," assured Lilly. They both looked at Noel Dibson Spotts and laughed.

But now that the engine had become a thing that lived and suffered, Noel Dibson showed a keen and intelligent interest. He asked innumerable questions, to the relief and satisfaction of his instructors, and quite a mechanical appreciation was discovered in the expert.

"We must lead him by the flowery route of fancy," suggested Tilly. "If his interest flags on make-and-break-ignition, we'll have to recite 'The Lady of Shalott' or 'Charge of the Light Brigade.' Next time we must bring along our vest pocket edition of the 'World's Best Poems!'"

Indeed, in the days that followed, it took time and Googan patience to make a practical driver of the flighty Noel Dibson Spotts. Had he not been such a source of amusement to the girls it is doubtful if his motor edu-

cation would ever have been perfected.

And then again, his gratitude for all they were doing for him was a touching and beautiful thing to see. It's a fine feeling to know you are doing something for humanity!

"We've been making so much money lately I've felt we ought to begin handing out libraries or some little thing, and if it isn't lifting the literary standard of the universe to restrain Noel Dibson Spotts then I don't know anything about poetry!" was Tilly Googan's explanation.

"Well," mused Lilly, "I don't know whether we're turning Noel Dibson into straight prose or whether he is putting us into blank verse. I can't crawl under the car to make a repair that I don't begin to compare it to a wounded bird or a soul in distress. I catch myself trying to make words rhyme, and this morning was quite annoyed because vaseline was the only word I could get to associate with gasoline in the same verse. We must lose Noel Dibson pretty quick or while we're making a good chauffeur of a bum poet, he'll be making bum poets of two good chauffeurs."

Several days later Mr. Spotts left town to fill the position of driver for Mrs. Laura Golden, a wealthy widow. He wept like a child when taking leave of the Googans and swore eternal gratitude.

"If only he doesn't go moon gazing between two trolley cars running behind schedule!" said the Googans earnestly.

"Don't you know me?" smiled the dandy who entered the Googan studio without even a warning tap. "Well, my good ladies, 'tis not so strange after all. I am hardly the same Noel Dibson Spotts you once knew!"

The Googans were so completely floored they slid right out of their chairs!

"I have returned to thank you for all that you did for me," he continued. "Oh, I can never, never forget! But for you I should be writing verses in a garret—unknown, unappreciated—"

"Instead of doing some useful work," completed Lilly. "I'm so glad you made such a success of chauffeur-ing."

"Chauffeur-ing!" cried Spotts indignantly. "Why, I have just had my first volume of poems published, and it was to present you with an autograph copy that I called to-day. I knew that with your beautiful and unmercenary natures it would mean more than payment for the lessons."

"Yes, indeed, we remembered the Googans, choking with amusement."

"As you may have heard, I married Mrs. Golden, who has deep appreciation for my work—indeed, 'twas Laura who had these little gems collected in this pretty gold and white booklet."

"So he's now the poet Laura-ate," giggled Tilly.

"No telling what a squeak in the engine may develop into after this," marveled Lilly.

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She Knew Him.

Mrs. K. had engaged a robust, middle aged colored woman to do some housecleaning. During the progress of the work Mrs. K. said:

"A colored man came along here one day last week and wanted work, and I let him wash some windows, but he did not do the work at all well."

"What fo' lookin' man was he?" asked the helper.

"Well, he was a big, strong fellow, and he had but one eye. He said that his name was White. He did very poor work."

"I specs he did, lady. He's de wus' no 'count in dis town."

"Oh, then you know him?"

"Know 'im? Why, lady, I's mab'ly to 'im!"—Exchange.

Years of Congress

Since the first session of congress in 1789, just 118 years ago, there has been 119 regular sessions and fifteen extra sessions. The longest regular setting was the first session of the Fiftieth congress, which covered a period of 321 days from December 5th, 1887. The longest extra session was during the first congress, and continued 221 days. The second regular session of each congress are always short, lasting from the first Monday in December until March 4th of the following year, from 90 to 95 days, but aside from these the shortest ever held was the first session of the thirteenth congress, which lasted only 134 days. The shortest extra session was that of the thirty-fourth congress, covering ten days. Only seventeen states have furnished speakers of the House of Representatives, Pennsylvania, leading with five, Massachusetts, Virginia and Kentucky furnished four each. James G. Blaine was speaker for eight sessions, longer than any other person. Edward McPherson served as a member 18 sessions in all. During the last 20 years congress has appropriated \$11,094,371,702.72 to meet the expenses of the government.—Barstow Journal.

We were so busy this week all the news got away from us.

Hardy Morgan was in from Dawson county this week.

J. R. Joyner from the north part of the county was on the streets Friday.

R. O. Cox, brother of our townsman H. B. Cox, has moved his family here from Hico, we are pleased to have him locate with us.

In the Hot.

We know full well that subscribers to a news paper always want to get their paper on time and when we run late in getting out we always like to have a good excuse to fall back on. Aside from the regular run of work the office turned out 5,000 papers, half the size of the Reporter, and 5000 each of large circulars, folders and tickets, and that's the reason we are late. Just couldn't help it.

H. L. Wynne will leave Saturday for Eldorado, Okla., where he will make his home.

J. N. and M. A. Worsham, two substantial citizens of Merkel, were here this week with a view of locating.

T. J. Fletcher is moving his drug store into the stone building vacated by the G. C. Fletcher Co., when they moved their grocery department into the dry goods department.

J. P. Copeland will be the first man to go in business in the new town of Brownlee. He has already purchased ground there for a lumber yard and is taking it out as fast as two wagons can move it.

J. M. Medlen.

J. M. Medlen announces this week to the voters of Martin and attached county that he is candidate for tax assessor. Mr. Medlen is an industrious and reliable young man and is one of our best citizens.

He is fully competent to hold office and should he be elected promises to discharge the duties of the office faithfully and impartially. He solicits your support in the coming election.



Holiday Goods Galore—Christmas never gets old to children. Don't think because you are getting up in years and Christmas times do not exhilarate you as of old, its less interesting to the children. It is not, one iota. They look upon Christmas times as the most joyful of their lives, and it is. Don't let this Christmas go by without gladdening the hearts of the little ones. Below are only a few suggestions:

Let the little one blow its good for him



This is a suggestion in dolls



Your lady friend or your mother or your sister or your friends sister would appreciate one of our nice toilet sets

Santa Claus will make this store his headquarter when in Stanton



If he is going to smoke let him smoke in peace—a good pipe is a good present—Meerchaums, Brier-root and all kinds

Don't fail to visit our store and see what we have in Xmas goods



Your boys would get more enjoyment out of this toy than you would out of a gift of a ten dollar bill.

Remember we have Toilet Articles and perfumes. Cigars and Tobacco

J. L. HALL The Druggist of Stanton, Texas

Letters to Santa

Claus from Little Folks

Dec., 2, 1907.

Dear Santa:—

I am a little girl just two years old. I want a big doll, a little gold bracelet and lots of nuts, candy and apples.

Goodbye Santa,
Edith Arnett.

Dear Santa Claus:—

I am a little cowboy, live on a ranch in Gaines county. I want you to be sure and come to see me and bring me a little quilt and a Teddy bear and if you dont forget drop in a few apples and some candy.

Your little boy,
Jones Arnett.

Dear Santa Claus:—

It is one month till Xmas. Wont you please bring me a doll and a set of dishes and a doll bed.

Your little friend,
Arah Holshouser.

Dear Santa Claus:—

It is a month till Xmas and I want you to please bring me a doll, set of dishes and doll buggy, you can find all these things at the Racket Store.

Your little friend,
Della Larkin.

Dear old Santa:—

I am a little boy 5 years old and live on the Spade ranch in Hale county with my uncle and aunt. I want you to bring me a little quilt to whip my pony with, a Teddy bear and a whole lot of good things to eat.

Goodbye,
Roe Gainer.

Dear Santa Claus:—

I am a little girl just one

year old but I want a pretty doll and lots of other little toys. I live on a ranch away out in Hale county but don't forget me.

Your little friend,
Ethel Arnett.

Dear old Santa:—

We are two little girls that live on a ranch in Gaines county. We want you to bring us a little piano, a gold bracelet, besides a few little toys and some candy and pecans.

Goodbye,—besure and remember us.

Angie and Maude Arnett.

Dear Santa:—

I have been good all this year, I want you to bring me a stove, doll some candy, oranges and nuts. Bring a rocking horse for my little brother.

So good-bye old Santa Claus,
Bertha Ray Wilkinson.

Dear Santa Claus:—

At last I've found my pencil to write you a letter and mama comes through the room and says now son don't ask for too many things folks will think you are greedy. So here goes for what I really need in my business a ball, top, harp and a whistle a little wagon with a pitching mule hitched to it, a little watch and a horn, a rocking horse and lots of fruit and nuts and thats all, I want the rest of the children to have plenty of things.

Lloyd Cross.

P. S. O, yes I sure would like to have an auto.

Dear Santa Claus:—I want you to come Xmas and bring me a big doll that goes to sleep and a doll bed, a set of dishes and pretty picture book and also some

fruit and nuts.

George Cross.

Dear old Santa Claus:—

As Xmas is almost here I will write and tell you what I want, a train and track for it to run on and lots of other toys.

Your little friend,
W. T. Powell.

The Protracted Meeting.

Mr. Volney Johnson of Midland, began a meeting at the First Christian church, on Sunday last. The attendance and interest has been increasing nightly. Mr. Johnson was pastor of the Christian church in El Paso for several years, and has held some of the strongest pastorates in the state. He has been blessed with success as an evangelist and his services are in constant demand for meetings. We are informed that the services will continue over Sunday and all next week.

PERSONAL AND LOCAL

If its in the jewelry line. We have it.—O'Brien & Robinson.

Judge Martin is down from Odessa this week.

A nice lot of new bracelets come see them.

O'Brien & Robinson.

Miss Alice Hadden spent last week on the ranch with Mrs. Tom Barnes.

Now is the time to get your Xmas goods before the rush.

O'Brien & Robinson.

Mr. Franklin of Haskell bought two lots from J. B. Hadden and will build in north Stanton.

A. L. Green is having an office built just back of the First National Bank.

H. C Walker has just returned from a trip to Sierra Blanco.

Cut glass and hand painted china, the finest of both come see. O'Brien & Robinson.

Contractor McWhorter is building a residence for himself in the southeast part of town.

J. A. Harris of Merkel was last week looking after business. He is a brother of Mrs. Wyman.

Misses Floye Richards and Carrie Kyle spent Thursday night on the ranch the guests of Mrs. W. H. Evans.

B. B. Cochran of Hillsboro who owns property north of Stanton in town. He is an old friend of S. A. Meeks.

Bob Ware was in from Sparenberg Wednesday and told us he was on his way to Hollbrooke, Ariz., where he will spend the remainder of the winter.

Mesdames W. N. and O. G. Odom and Mrs. Reed of Clifton, Arizona, were pleasant callers at the Reporter office Thursday to see the presses run. Callers are always welcome.

G. C. Black of Brady bought through the Stanton Realty Co., 160 acres of land from O. G. Odom at \$20 per acre also one-half section of land near Brownlee at \$12.50 per acre.

The management of the gin company request us to call the attention of those indebted to the gin for gining to please pay up as the money is needed to pay the running expenses.

Mrs. T. H. Miller of Stanton visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Elam of this city. Upon her return to Stanton she was accompanied by her sister, Miss Myrtle Elam.—Shafter L. a k e Herald.

Bring your work to A. L. Franklin—it may not be the cheapest but it is first class. If

Mr. Sims of Hardeman county invested in Stanton country land this week, having bought a half section of the Slaughter land through M. L. Burkhead.

Mr. Gibson of the Gibson-Sorels Lumber yard, informs us that owing to his inability to get his lumber here, he will defer opening his yard until the first of January

E. G. Holder was down from Sparenberg the first of the week and had a bale of cotton ginned which he marketed while here. Mr. Hojder made a pleasant call at the Reporter office.

Mrs. Heffner who has been under treatment at the Sealy hospital in Galveston for the past two months returned home Friday and we understand she has been quite sick since she returned.

D. W. Scott was in town the first of the week shipping cattle to market. He said it was still his intention to become a citizen of Stanton as soon as he could wind up his business in Gaines county.

We understand W. P. Weaver is ruminating in his mind the advisability of coming out as candidate for tax assessor. But he says if he does he wants it understood that nominations close with his announcement.

Supt. Evans of Abilene has been appointed by the State Educational conference to deliver a lecture on educational needs, sometime during the Institute which convenes the 16 of Dec. continues through the 20th. All who are interested in good schools are invited.

HOLIDAY GOODS

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Claus

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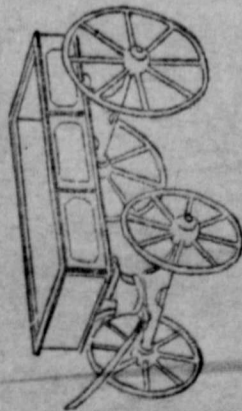
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Christmas Shopping

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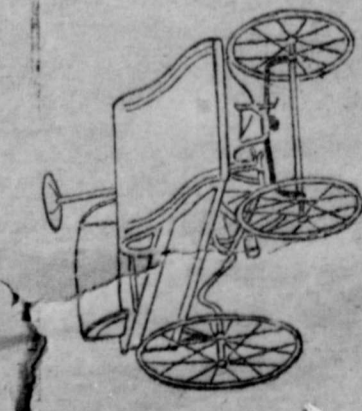
We are in the lead with Holiday Goods, aside from our mammoth stock of Furniture, Cut Glass and China-ware—Every article of which would make a splendid Xmas Gift—We have a dazzling display in—



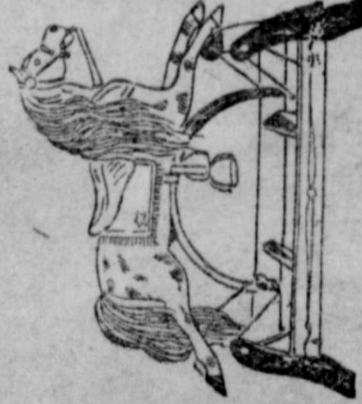
Wagons for boys, two years old, up to a big two horse wagon. This will make your boy appreciate.



A beauty for any member of the family. We have China and Cut Glass.



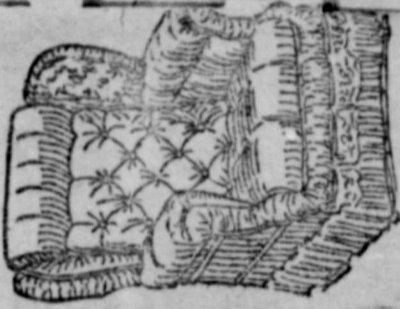
What little Miss would not be pleased with a Doll—We have hundreds of them.



Have you a Hobby? Then you have an idea of how your boy would appreciate one.



A swell line of swell Vases, acceptable and appropriate gifts at this season.



This chair would tickle the gentleman of the house.



This elegant Couch would be the height of appropriation for your wife.



A Toy Gun will please the little boy.

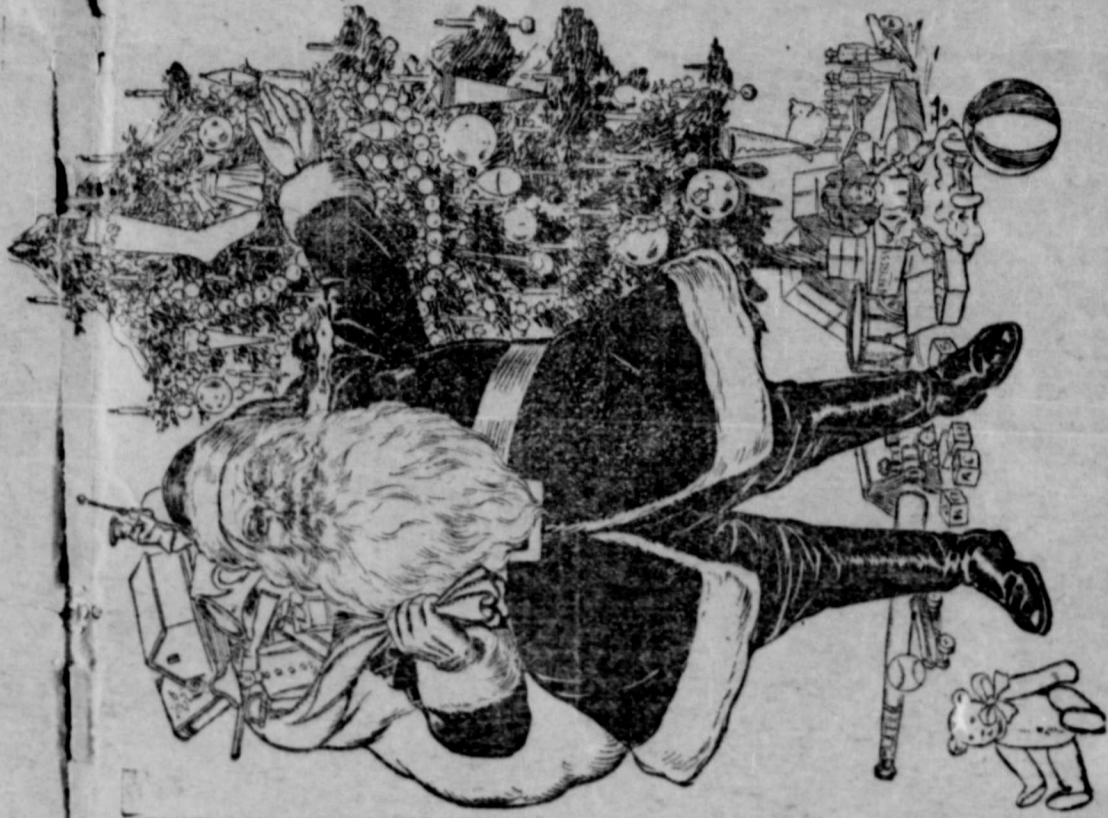


A good pocket knife would make that young son of yours a useful Xmas gift.



A set of little toy dishes will also please the little daughter of the family.

A merry Xmas to you



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