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### A crackerjack of a Xmas present

Remember when you were a kid? The presents that were all shiny and bright, and that 'worked!'' Were'nt they the ones that you were proudest of?

Something for your room—something you could use all year—something like big people had in their rooms. The sensible presents appealed to you best when you were a kid. Think back a bit and see. Then think of Big Ben for those boys and girls.

Toys, of course, should never be displaced. It wouldn't be Christmas without them. But mix in useful things things that develop pride and that make little people feel responsible. Give them presents to live up to and to live up with. Don't make the mistake

of thinking they don't feel the compliment.

Let one thing that meets the eye of your little boy and girl on Christmas Morning be that triple nickel-plated, jolly, handsome, pleasant looking, serviceable, and inspiring clock—BIG BEN. See if you don't hear them say: "Why! Isn't that a crackerjack? Is that for me to use myself?

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Big Ben is a crackerjack-of-o-Christmas-present to give to any friend. He's two presents in one, a dandy alarm to wake up with, a dandy clock to tell time all day by. He standy seven inches tall. He's got en inner vost of steel that insures him for life,—big, bold, black handy you can see at a glance in the dim morning light without ever having to get out of bed—large, comfy keys that almost wind themselves and a deep, jolly ring that calls just when you want, and either way you want, five straight minutes or every other half minute for ten minutes unless you flag him off.

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# Who'd be a Scrooge?

You wouldn't intentionally. But you might be one and not even know it.

Supposing that you were to die before another Christmas came around, would your kiddies' stockings be as well filled next year? Or might they not lack even some of the necessities of life?

Among other gifts this Christmas why not present your wife with an Imperial Home Protection policy.

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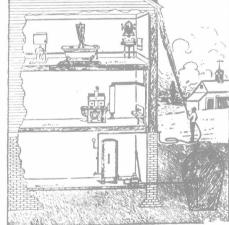
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