

Christmas is Fast Approaching

The Season to which the Children look forward with such Eager Expectation---the Gift Season. Despite the difficulties and dangers of the voyage, Santa Claus has arrived safe in port with a big pack of



CHRISTMAS TOYS!

Dolls, Drums, Motor Busses, Coast Defence Guns, Blocks, Puzzles, Flags, Xmas Stockings, and many other beautiful Toys too numerous to itemize.

You are invited to inspect this splendid display of Xmas Toys. Shop now decorated.



All Goods British and American Manufacture.

Marshall Bros

Select your Gifts early and you will not be disappointed.

The Curse of a Bad Beginning.

By RUTH CAMERON.

"Every day is a fresh beginning. Every morn is the world made new." How did you begin your day to-day? Every day is indeed a fresh beginning and woe to you or me, if we make a bad one. Of course, by sufficient effort one can overcome it—but sufficient effort is at least double what it would have taken to start it aright. And effort is vitality and it is just as important to spend vitality wisely as it is money or more so.

I Wonder If I Have Any Friends Of Such Long Standing.

My mind was turned toward this subject by the valuable reminder of a bad example (I wonder if there is a reader friend of such long standing that he remembers that very, very long ago when I first began to chat with you I wrote on the value of a bad example, claiming that it is the bad and not the good examples that make us see our follies as others see them).

In this case the bad example was my own.

I got up late this morning.

No Wonder I Dreaded To Go To Work.

Then I dawdled. Then I came to the breakfast table with a long face. Then I caught myself talking about what a miserable night I had had. Then I spent more time than I had any right to spend reading the morning paper and dreading to go to work, because I had gotten myself into an efficient state of mind.

As an inevitable result I was tardy with my morning work ("if you lose

an hour in the morning you will be trying to find it all day") late with my afternoon appointments; and out of tune with the universe by night. I went to bed feeling that sense of restless dissatisfaction which comes over one who has had a day of dropped stitches.

And all because I made a bad beginning.

If We Only Had A Valet!

There was once some great man (St. Simon I think) who had his valet awake him with the words, "Monsieur you have great things to do to-day." Most of us are so handicapped with the lack of a valet that we cannot make this auspicious beginning. But we can all get up when we are called, dress without dawdling, bring a pleasant morning face to the breakfast table, withhold all mention of our adventures in indigestion or the quality of our night's sleep; use the morning paper as a vitalized glimpse into the bigger world instead of a screen between ourselves and our duties; lastly go to our housework promptly if housework be our lot, or catch our morning car without having to run for it, if morning cars be our lot.

The day so begun may go wrong but it has ten minutes as much chance of being a satisfactory, accomplished day—the kind that gave the village blacksmith a lien on a night's repose—as the day slackly begun.

I was cured of terrible lumbago by MINARD'S LINIMENT.

REV. WM. BROWN.

I was cured of a bad case of ear-ache by MINARD'S LINIMENT.

MRS. S. KAULBACK.

I was cured of sensitive lungs by MINARD'S LINIMENT.

MRS. S. MASTERS.

It is never economy to buy cheap eggs.

Fresh Fruit, Fresh Butter, etc.

Ex steamer this Week.

Calif. Emperor Grapes.
Almeria Grapes.
California Pears.
Calif. Box Table Apples.
Grape Fruit.
Bananas.
Palermo Lemons.
California Oranges.
Table Figs.
No. 1 King Apples.
Wagner Apples.
Sinclair's Fidelity Hams.
P. E. I. Carrots, Beets.
Potatoes, Parsnips.
Sinclair's Fidelity Bacon
Sinclair's Cedar Rapids Bacon.

Good Family Bacon, 30c. lb.
Rolled American Bacon.
Boneless Am. Bacon.
BLUE NOSE BUTTER.
56 lb. boxes, 2 lb. prints; by the lb. retail.

XMAS CRACKERS.
KELLOGG'S—
Dominion Corn Flakes
Wheat Flakes.
Rice Flakes.
Krumbles.
Wheat Biscuits.
Bran.
Drinket Coffee Substi-
tute, 4 & 8 oz. tins.

C. P. Eagan

DUCKWORTH STREET & QUEEN'S ROAD.

Peas, Beans, etc., etc.

80 bags Fancy Quality Large Round Peas, 100 lbs. each.
15 bags Extra Fancy Green Peas.
15 bags Fancy Small Lima Beans.
100 sacks Rice, 100 lbs. each.
100 sacks Rice, 50 lbs. each.
50 sacks Rice, 25 lbs. each.
50 sacks No. 1 Onions.
25 cases 5's Spanish Onions.

NOW DUE:
100 sacks PARSNIPS.
50 sacks BEETS.
50 sacks CARROTS.
50 sacks TURNIPS.
200 sacks POTATOES.

Soper & Moore
Importers & Jobbers.
Phone 450.

Rann-Dom Reels.

THE PEANUT.

The peanut is a humble and unostentatious member of the great Nut family, which has become one of the principal industries of this rich and fertile country. It is one of the most nutritious imitations of real food that has ever sprung from the soil into the capacious maw of the American tourist.

The peanut was introduced into this country by the late P. T. Barnum, who liked to stand in his justly celebrated menagerie and toss a few peanuts with the shucks on into the appealing face of the Himalayan orang-outang and watch the expression of gratitude which flitted over the countenance of the latter. Mr. Barnum found that this was cheaper than buying baled hay and produced less asthma to the square inch, so he allowed all who bought reserved seats to disburse peanuts to such animals as had a sound, drain-tiled constitution. Among these is the elephant, and one of the most inspiring sights that ever caught the artist's fancy is that of a solemn, double-chinned elephant running his trunk a few feet down his neck and searching anxiously for a piece of peanut shell which has lodged behind one tusk.

For a great many years, the peanut was confined solely to feeding circus patrons and travelling men who had exceeded their expense account. Some travelling men found that by eating in a free and explosive manner of the semi-roasted peanut, they could save money and get along with less sleep, being able to wake up at any hour of the night with a pensive memory and a dull, indigestive pain. But science has now discovered that there is more nourishment in one small, hump-backed peanut than there is in a peck of potatoes, which accounts for the large number of people who inhabit the smoking-car with their shoes off and eat peanuts with a noise like a machine gun. The ingenious American housewife

has tried a number of experiments on the peanut, some of which are very disappointing to husbands who do not care for the shell. Many a home has been broken up because of the practice of inserting peanut shells into cake which presents a smooth, unbroken surface. This teaches us that cake, like character, can sometimes be corrupted by a single thoughtless act.

LAMENTATION.



WALT MASON

When man, too tired to travel, lies down and catches in, we plant him in the gravel, and raise a mournful din; we buy a s o m e crape and wear it; our grief, we cannot bear it; the passing of such merit is certainly a sin. We neighbor who's taken to the tomb, who turns from useful labor to face untimely doom; we say, "The world seems bleaker, since Jim Adolphus Meeker grew weaker still and weaker, and then passed up the fume. How sad to contemplate him, cut off while in his prime! He died, we had to crate him, and plant him in jig time; he's in the boneyard dusty, who was so good and trusty his virtue ne'er grew rusty—his good was a crime." But if old Jim could twitter, perhaps he would remark, "It's not so doggone bitter, this sleeping in the dark; where endless calm is reigning I'm free from all the straining, the heartache, and complaining, and all the cares that cark. Beneath the vagrant thistle I slumber in the soil; no early morning whistle is calling me to toil; I'm glad that those who love me saw fit down here to shove me; I sleep while those above me go broke for gas and oil. I sleep while men are breaking beneath their load of fears; I sleep while hearts are aching, and eyes are shedding tears; oh, friends, cut out the weeping! Molua not for one's who's sleeping! This stunt I will be keeping for sixty million years!"

An excellent gift for a friend living in the country is a small table—for tea or sewing or writing.

Left-over dishes are more costly than simple ones, because it takes so much to make them palatable.

Stewed celery put into a baking dish covered with grated cheese and baked, is a good luncheon dish.

Hard boiled eggs, combined with finely chopped sweet peppers seasoned and moistened with mayonnaise.

A Good All Round Liniment

that seems to go straight through the skin and reach the pain. That is a good description of

Stafford's Liniment.

We believe there is no more generally useful liniment. It seems to reach the spot every time.

No home should be without a good liniment for use in those emergencies common to all homes calling for a reliable liniment. Keep a bottle of "Stafford's Liniment" in your medicine chest.

For sale everywhere.
Manufactured only by
DR. F. STAFFORD & SON,
St. John's, Nfld.

Wedding Bells.

OAKE-PARSONS.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place at the Church of England Cathedral on Tuesday afternoon, when Miss Gertrude Oake, C. of E. teacher of Change Islands, and Constable Charles Parsons, of Curling, were united in the bonds of holy matrimony by the Rev. J. Binton. The bridesmaids were Miss Georgina Parsons, sister of the groom, and Miss Maria Bagg, both of Curling. The bride looked neat in a traveling suit of brown with hat to match, and was given away by Mr. J. H. Marks, student of Queen's College. After the ceremony the bridal party proceeded to Wood's west end store where a wedding feast was partaken of. The groom's present to the bride was a beautiful gold locket and chain and to each of the bridesmaids a gold brooch. The happy couple left by the Prospero on Wednesday morning for St. Anthony which is to be their future home.

Between friends, the Gift that conveys the most of personal thoughtfulness — your Photograph. J. C. PARSONS, Bank of Montreal Building.—nov17,tf

T. J. EDENS.

Due from New York, Dec. 7th, '17:

N. Y. CHICKEN.
N. Y. CORNED BEEF.
BANANAS.
CALIF. GRAPES.
ALMERIA GRAPES.
CALIF. ORANGES.
TANGERINES.
GRAPE FRUIT.
PEARS.
TABLE APPLES—Boxes.
CAULIFLOWERS.
CELERY.
OYSTERS.
FINNAN HADDIES.
50 bags YELLOW ONIONS.

200 Barrels
SELECTED No. 1 APPLES—
Wagners, Starks, Baldwins.

30 Cases
SELECTED P. E. I. EGGS.

20 boxes PURITY BUTTER.
2 lb. prints, 60c. lb.

100 cases EARLY JUNE PEAS.
10 cases ROSE'S LIME JUICE
OX TONGUES In Glass.
FIDELITY HAMS.
BEECHNUT BACON.

50 Cases
SLICED PINEAPPLE.
2 1/2 lb. tins, 80c.

150 pairs FRESH RABBITS
due by Rail to-day.

T. J. EDENS.

Duckworth Street and
Mawlin's Cross.

Apples! Apples!

Due this week:
1000 barrels

Choice Apples,

Winter keeping, various brands.

GEO. NEAL

TINNED

PINEAPPLE

IS BOTH SCARCE & EXPENSIVE.

300 CASES 2 1-2's

of very choice 1917 crop, have just come to hand, which we are offering to the trade at a very low price. Packed 2 dozen to the case.

Wholesale Only.

Harvey & Co., Limited.

Paper BAGS,

All Sizes.

BURT & LAWRENCE,

11 NEW GOWER STREET

Advertise in The Evening Telegram



ON OUR

Motor Cars
Xmas Stockings
Reins
Mechanical
Blackboards
Construction
Rocking Chairs
Naval War
Cannons
Balloons
Horses
Assorted Am
Pianos

War

Messages Received
Previous to

AROUND CAMP.

With the British Army Dec. 6.—The Germans still holding hands along the new battle front. Night progress around a for north of Havincourt after attack in the morning. The offensive developed again fish line up to noon. The rumors of an attack about ing, but it didn't materialize possible it has been because of heavy casualties Von Hindenburg's troops. The Germans doubtless have back the British line at the front between La Vau Marcoing.

GERMAN OFFENSIVE ABANDONED.

With the British in France 6.—There is no indication of Von Lermarwitz's army has been abandoned and of further fresh infantry the Cambrai area shows. I am not yet abandoned the fleeing a sharp defeat.

AUSTRIAN

VIEREN

The following has been general headquarters: Commander-in-Chief of the Roumanian troops, General Dneister and the Black Sea afternoon approached the Czech and Field Marshal Trench with a proposal for negotiations regarding the Our army leaders answered affirmative and deputations ceased with peace negotiations.

RUSSIAN TERMS

LONDON

A Russian official statement with armistice negotiations here by wireless. The enemy delegates replied to the two initial Russian proposals to consult. The proposed armistice terms are: 1. The principal armistice that the enemy undertake to send forces to Russian front to the front.

ASSENT

