

Christmas Gifts for the Children!

There is no Gift that you may give to your many friends that will bring forth that sincere and rapturous gratitude as the gift you give to a child, providing that gift be a toy. We are devoting our space this week to Children's Gifts and of course that means

CHRISTMAS TOYS.

Our assortment is large, as follows:--

Dressed Dolls, Jester Dolls, Trumpets, Drums, Puzzles, Roller Chimes, Sets of Tools, Go-Carts, Motor Bus, Sulkies, Rattles Air Ships, Tip Tops, Toy Villages, Toy Ranges, Tea Sets, Submarines, Gun Boats, Coast Defence Guns, Toy Reins, Dancing Niggers, Xmas Stockings, Flags and many other Toys too numerous to mention.

Union Jack Cushions,

Saturday our Special Sale Day.

only a few left.

Sweeping Reductions in Every Dept.

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Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

DON'T FEEL IT.

A friend of mine has a sister who has three small children. The latter are bright children, but they certainly walk all over their mother. I think I should say "therefore" instead of "but." She tells them that if they do such and such a thing she will send them up stairs to bed. They do it. And then she merely says, "Now don't you do that again."

My friend, with the impatient superiority usually shown by onlookers at the great game of bringing up children, used to take her sister to task for her laxness in discipline. And the sister, with the resentment of advice usually shown by those who have children, got mad about it.

"So I made up my mind that no matter what she did, I wouldn't say another word," said my friend.

"I guess that's the best way," said I.

Think of the Wasted Force!

"I suppose so," said she, but it seems as if I should explode sometimes when I see how much harder she makes it for herself by not sticking to her word. I just think and think of things I'd like to say."

One more example of the energy uselessly used up in mentally criticizing relatives and friends.

If all the energy that all the world uses up in a day in both voiced and unvoiced criticism of little things they don't like about their friends and relatives (especially the latter) and in resentment of different points of view held by those close to them, could be corralled and used in a physical way I feel sure it would move mountains.

Of course, it shows some advance in self control not to voice one's criticism.

There is a Big Difference Between Thinking and Feeling.

But how much better it would be not to feel it. One may think it, of course, for one can hardly help it. But one need not feel it.

The Chinese have a proverb:

"The legs of the duck are short."

The legs of the crane are long.

You cannot make the legs of the duck long.

Nor the legs of crane short;

"Why worry?"

Why, indeed.

The One Person We Have to Make Good.

And, of course, you remember Robert Louis Stevenson's reminder in his Christmas sermon, but just to bring it more accurately to your mind, I will close with it.

"There is an idea abroad among moral people that they should make their neighbors good. One person I have to make good; myself. But my duty to my neighbor is much more nearly expressed by saying I have to make him happy—if I may."

Monseigneur:

For 15 days in the month of January I was suffering with pains of rheumatism in the foot. I tried all kinds of remedies but nothing did me any good. One person told me about MINARD'S LINIMENT; as soon as I tried it the Saturday night, the next morning I was feeling very good; I tell you this remedy is very good; I could give you a good certificate any time that you would like to have one. If any time I come to hear about any person sick of rheumatism, I could tell them about this remedy.

Yours truly,

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Feb. 14, 1908.

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HOME FOR CHRISTMAS.

Home for Christmas! There's a joy For the weary, grown up boy Or the little girl who now Feels the years upon her brow! Home for Christmas! Back once more To the mother at the door And the old hearth with its blaze And those happy yesterdays.

Home for Christmas! There's a thrill For the toiler up the hill, For the trudge on the road Heart sick with his heavy load. Home for Christmas! Back to be Once again at mother's knee And to feel her fond caress In that spell of happiness.

Home for Christmas! Girl and lad Going to the kindly dad Who has waited through the year For his loved ones to appear. Home for Christmas! Back again To the simple joys and plain, To the refuge sweet with rest, Where is love made manifest.

Home for Christmas! Oh, that I Could recall the years gone by. And could know once more the bliss Of that glorious welcome kiss. Home for Christmas! Girl and man Claim that gladness while you can. Swift must come those years of pain When you'll long for home in vain.

Petrified Forest.

Within the stretch of Arizona's desert lies sixty square miles of petrified forest. There lie preserved for all time fallen tree monarchs, millions of years old, turned to rocks. Mammoth trunks, sometimes five feet in diameter and 50 feet in length; or cracked smoothly into blocks, are transformed into everlasting stone, beautiful in quality and coloring—quartz, agate, chalcedony, jasper and exquisite opal, infinite in the variety of delicate tint and rich shading.

The method of petrification, by which the giant trees became rock, was one of the strange alchemistries of nature. Probably the wash of water from hot mineral springs rich in silica was the cause. The chemical permeating the tissues of the plant, acted as a hardening agent, preserving the original structure and detail of the tree with astonishing perfection of detail.

THE WOLF.



WOLF MARCH

The wolf it at the door, my friends, the wolf is at the door; by day and night his howl ascends likewise his snarling roar. I might have buckled down to toil and kept the brute away, but such a scheme as that would foil my plans for endless play. Before the war I used to work, and go home tired at night; but now all thoughts of labor irk, there's too much fun in sight. I still have gasoline to burn, I laid in quite a store; and when that's gone perhaps I'll earn the coin to buy some more. For modern man must have his gas, and tires, with one to spare, although his children live on grass and have no shoes to wear. Oh, there are movie shows by night, and jamborees by day, and he's indeed a fearless wight who doesn't romp and play. The wolf is at the door, and I've no mutton in the pot, nor credit at the store. My wife insists the outlook's drear, unless I earn some dimes, but work must never interfere with having bully times. My children clamor for a bone, and weeping wend their ways, but work is something we've outgrown in these enlightened days. The wolf is at the door, I ween, he haunts the old shebang; but I have still some gasoline, so let the wolf go hang.

About D'Annunzio.

Gabriel D'Annunzio, the Italian poet, and now the adventurer whose seizure of Fiume, is causing so much disquiet in Southern Europe, is said to possess great originality apart from that shown by his literary works. It is related that at his villa, near Florence, several years ago, he had tamed a little salamander which would get upon the writing table, apparently considering that it belonged to him and his master. The salamander was a general pet. Great was the grief of the poet, when it died after several years. By the side of the hearth which the salamander loved so well, D'Annunzio had him buried in a little vault closed by a black slab of marble. To this day the poet is said to carry with him the silver key to the little tomb.

Wise Men Say—

"That the first and worst of all frauds is to cheat oneself; all sin is easy after that. Always bear in mind this worthy saying: 'To thine own self be true, and it must follow, as the night the day, thou cannot then be false to any man.'"

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Strange Diseases.

land was found to be suffering from the strange affection called "alexia."

A witness in a recent case in England was able to write and spell perfectly, he could not read. This applied not only to printed matter, but even to what he had written himself. There are several similar diseases. In "alexia" the patient is unable to explain his thoughts by means of speech. It is a most painful business, for the sufferer tries desperately to talk but never gets hold of one correct word. For instance, if he means to say "How do you do?" he may say, as in an ac-

His Descent.

Sir Thomas MacKenzie, High Commissioner of New Zealand, tells a capital story.

The New Zealand forces contained quite a large number of natives, and one of the dark-skinned warriors waited on Sir Thomas, claiming that he was a Scotsman.

"Why do you claim to be a Scot?" asked Sir Thomas.

"Well," replied the Maori, "I've Scottish blood in my veins. My grandfather ate a Scots Presbyterian minister."

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