



Santa Claus is Sensible

Santa Claus, that loveable old humbug whom we all want to believe in till the day we die, knows that a gift of shoes is about the merriest way of saying "Merry Christmas." We will sell you an order for a pair of shoes and you can give that "Merry Christmas" to you.

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Revels at Windsor.

Ever since, and long before our birth Henry, as we read, kept Christmas with the usual feasting and sports at Windsor. Windsor's historic castle has been the scene of such Yuletide junketings as no other castle in the world can boast. Unlimited good cheer has always been the chief feature of the celebrations, and the boar's head and the

baron of beef, which still figure on our Sovereign's table, were customary even then. As to the sports and pastimes, they were of a boisterous and sometimes barbarous kind. It was at Christmas that a "lord of merriment" was elected as a sort of master of the ceremonies; and one of the special diversions led by him was called the "Festival of Fools," in which was enacted a "mummers" that was an extraordinary jumble of religion, profanity and

buffoonery. Queen Victoria spent many happy Christmases at Windsor, until that terrible December of 1861, which brought with it an untimely widowhood. But it is worth remembering that King Edward VII. spent the first Yuletide of his life there. In one of the Prince Consort's letters, he tells of the Christmas tree lit up in one of the drawing-rooms, and of how it delighted the Princess Royal, while the baby heir apparent was brought in to see it also, and gazed astonished and open-eyed at its many lights, as a babe of but seven weeks might well do.

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"Seeing one boy taller than the others, taking a great deal, he caught him by the collar, hustled him to the next room, and placed him in a chair, saying, 'Now, sit there and be quiet!'"

Ten minutes later a small head appeared round the door and a meek little voice said:

"Please, sir, you've got our teacher!"

Choice Italian Gorgonzola Cheese at ELLIS—dec21

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram. CAPE RACE, To-day, Wind S.W., blowing strong and raining; the Fortis passed West at 6 p.m. yesterday and Rosalind at 2.30 a.m. to-day; Bar. 29.65; Ther. 37.

Trial by Jury.

The importance and responsibilities of a jury are well understood in this country, but there have been one or two cases recently where jurymen have been indiscreet. A jurymen at the Old Bailey was fined £10 the other day for speaking to one of the parties in the case in which he was serving. The proceedings so far as they had gone proved futile, and the case will have to be retried. The jurymen can thank his lucky stars that he did not live a century ago, for the penalty would have been more severe.

The right to be tried by jury has always been regarded as a constitutional right of the utmost importance. The right of a man to be tried by his peers was secured by Magna Charta, and human experience proves that this is the fairest method of trial that can be devised. It is a safeguard against tyranny and injustice; it gives support to the claim that all men are equal before the law, and it inspires a confidence in our courts of justice that no other system could inspire. Jury service is often regarded as an onerous duty, but it is a duty that should be discharged cheerfully, and with a due sense of the responsibility entailed. The question as to whether a man is innocent or guilty is not decided by the judge, but by the twelve individuals who are chosen at random to try the case. Women are now serving on juries, and though some of them do not appreciate the task, it is obvious that they are capable of rendering a great public service in this particular. So far they have acquitted themselves well, and no woman serving on a jury has as yet failed to realize her duties and responsibilities.

We have every reason to be satisfied with our methods of administering justice when we look abroad. Both in France and America the methods of conducting criminal trials provide plenty of sensations, but otherwise we are justified in concluding that our methods are more dignified and more likely to attain the end in view—which is that justice shall be meted out without fear or favor. Doubtless our own system is far from perfect, but so long as we have trial by jury and the jury do their duty we can rest assured that there is not likely to be a miscarriage of justice.—Liverpool Weekly Post.

The early bird gets the worm, so also does the early shopper get the pick of the Christmas goods. For your own sake, as well as the clerks' don't forget to do your shopping early, and don't forget to bring home some Life Savers for the children—dec19,22

Proved by Experience.

The latest Kipling story tells how the famous writer was present at a small, private fancy-dress ball, each guest being attired in a costume intended to represent the title of some well-known book.

Most of them were easily recognizable, but that worn by one young lady puzzled everybody. She was got up to represent a patent cigarette lighter.

At length Kipling himself made bold to ask the dancer what was the name of the volume she had in mind in designing her costume.

"Why, Mr. Kipling," laughed the girl, "it represents one of your own books."

More puzzled than ever, Kipling thought hard for some seconds; then shook his head.

"Which one?" he asked.

"The Light That Failed," replied the damsel.



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Lady Colebrooke, who has been spending some months in Venice, tells this story across the indifference displayed by the Venetian lower orders in regard to matters affecting their health.

One day she was horrified to see her gondoller scoop up a pannikin of water from one of the canals that intersect the city, and drain it to the last drop.

"You should not use canal water for drinking purposes," Lady Colebrooke told him; "or, if you must do so, you should boil it first."

"But, why, madam, should I go to that trouble?" asked the man in surprised tones.

"Because it is full of microbes, and boiling will kill them!"

"Possibly so!" replied the man, shrugging his shoulders. "But then, you see, I'd rather swallow a menagerie than a cemetery."

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