

# 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



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# Marshall Bros

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and you will not be  
disappointed.

### Those After Christm as Colds.

By RUTH CAMERON.



RUTH CAMERON

Did you ever notice what a crop of colds and bronchitis, etc., springs up just after Christmas?

Last year I went shopping the day after Christmas and it seemed to me that every other shop-girl was mopping her nose, or discharging a million germs a minute in one of those deadly attacks on bystanders, known as sneezes.

Also I had what felt like the beginnings of a cold myself. And I was informed on my return that my next door neighbor had bronchitis.

And that the lady across the way had gripe.

My Suspicions Were Correct.

And the next day my suspicions about my own cold proved horribly correct.

This is not exactly an inspiring chronicle.

But it has a reason for being.

I think that miserable crop of unhealthiness came from just one cause—we had all gotten overtired.

We had left too much until the last minute, and we had so worn ourselves—and the shop girls—out that Christmas Day was the last straw for both of us.

Should Christmas Be A Last Straw?

I think Christmas deserves something better of us than being the last straw. And yet look back on your own experience and see how many times it has been just that.

The doctors say there is always the biggest crop of illness just after Christmas. There are the real children who have ordinary indigestion from eating too much Christmas Day

and the grown-up children who have other forms of indigestion from "biting off more than they could chew" before Christmas.

Let's Have A Peace and Goodwill Christmas.

There are two words in which it seems to me the essence of true Christmas abides. They are "Peace" and "Goodwill." They are the words which heralded the first Christmas.

Could anything be more inconsistent with a Christmas of sick rebellious bodies, and frayed nerves.

I've made up my mind that this year somehow I'm going to have a peace and goodwill Christmas. Will you join me?

**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.**

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**Household Notes.**

A delicious fruit salad is made with any kind of fruit set in a gelatin foundation.

The easiest way to clean mirrors is by dipping a cloth in alcohol and rubbing slightly.

Use other fats as far as possible instead of butter in cooking.

Condensed milk is as good sometimes in cooking as fresh milk.

### 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.  
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### Rann-Dom Reels.

THE SQUAW.

The Squaw is a female red man with high cheek bones and a low grade of table manners. She is one of the hardest working females in existence, being exceeded in industry only by the life of the man who labors eight hours a day at the end of a pool-cue.

The Squaw is one of the earliest inhabitants of this country. She was here long before the white man placed his profane, high-arched instep on Plymouth Rock and started the well-known brand of milk-fed chickens of that name.

When the white man discovered her the Squaw was somewhat of a sartorial and tonorial disappointment, and the violent décolleté effect which she produced was a great shock to the Puritan Fathers. Determined efforts were made to induce the squaw to don the high-collared basque and decorous hoop skirt, but no success has ever been achieved along this line.

Under the genial, happy marriage customs prevailing among the early American Indians the Squaw was liable to be a maid, wife and widow in one week. If a split-nosed Indian chief was not satisfied with his wife's cooking and wished to secure a divorce he did not have to go into court and prove a lot of things which were not true in order to regain his freedom.

All he had to do was to give her All he had to do was to give her back home. When we consider this pleasing arrangement and then look at the lot of the average husband today it would seem as if our boasted civilization had slipped a cog somewhere.

The Squaw makes a fine, rapid-fire mother and rears her children with greater ease on a pine board than many a white baby is brought up in a brass bed. The papoose never has to be walked with in the quiet, starlit hours of the night or fed hot water by the quart, as it is strapped to a shingle at birth and allowed to expand in a natural, law-regulated manner.

If we would study the methods of the

Indian mother more closely our rest would not be broken so often by the restless, India-rubber baby which we all love but haven't the heart to chastise.

SOME FINE DAY.



WALT MASON

Some fine day a man can travel over Germany and France, and no shotgun charged with gravel will go off and wound his pance. Once again the tourist legions will go swooping down the Rhine, or in lofty Alpine regions pay good coin for rotten wine. We shall tread the pavements Roman, loaf along the Apollin Way, and behold no charging foeman, some fine day, some fine day. When they've stopped this beastly quarrel we can sail the ocean green, nor be sent down to the coral by a cheap tin submarine. We can sit in quiet harbors drinking coffee Viennese, or be shooed by British barbers with their rusty sickles. We can watch the Danube river when the dawn is glowing pink, and eat sausage made of liver in a gashaus on its brink. Unrestricted we can wander when the war is done away; we can travel here and yonder some fine day, some fine day. Here at home we are remaining, while we lust to go abroad; there where kings and dukes are reigning, we would like to blow our wad. We must stay, for death is teasing, seeking victims on the foam; what a heavy cross we're bearing that we have to stay at home! Blood is flowing still in torrents, and the torments bar our way; but we'll go to cork and Florence, some fine day, some fine day.

### Household Notes.

Sweets made from honey should be as far as possible encouraged.

When nuts are used for dessert cut down on the portions of meat.

Pickles are never good unless they are put up with the best cider vinegar.

A good refrigerator, properly cared for, saves a good deal of waste.

Split pea soup with plenty of seasoning is an excellent luncheon dish.

Bacon is always a means of adding flavor to made-over meat dishes.

Warm-over meat loses flavor and celery salt will give the desired taste.

If the bean pot is battered before baking the beans it will be easier to wash.

Rye mush is more palatable if made with half milk instead of all water.

### A Faithful Servant.

**READY TO WORK NIGHT OR DAY.**  
Gas is your ever ready helper right in your home—no begging for delivery, no delays in getting it. One gets so used to it that one is apt to forget how helpful it is. Take a little trouble. Study its uses; get to understand how to obtain every particle of help you can from it.

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**F. SMALLWOOD,**  
LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

### A PUBLIC MEETING

of the women of St. John's, to consider matters relating to **FOOD ECONOMY**, will be held in the Casino Theatre on Wednesday evening next, December 12, at 8 o'clock.

Addresses will be delivered by Hon. Sir W. H. Horwood, Administrator; Hon. Dr. Lloyd, Acting Premier; W. G. Gosling, Esq., Mayor of St. John's; and the members of the Food Control Board.

It is respectfully requested that, in view of the importance of food-saving to our own men on active service overseas, as well as those of the Allied nations, all women who can possibly do so will attend.

**NEWFOUNDLAND FOOD CONTROL BOARD.**  
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### Make "Utility" Your Christmas Slogan

When thinking of real Christmas Gifts for some particular member of your family, or some old friend, let your Gift be one of real use, for in these progressive times beauty and usefulness go hand-in-hand.

What about Furniture? Don't you know lots of friends who'd really love some pretty piece of Furniture as a Christmas Gift? Do you know any friend who really wouldn't? Try the experiment, and visit our Showrooms for Furniture for Mansion or Cottage, Kitchen or Drawing-room and we will give you every satisfaction.

**U. S. Picture & Portrait Co.**  
WATER STREET.

### W. P. A. Sends Clothing

Lady Horwood presided at the special meeting of the W. P. A., held at Sutherland Place yesterday to consider the advisability of sending hospital supplies and clothing to the suffering people of Halifax. It was decided to forward all the surplus stores after the Regiment had been supplied. The amount available will be five cases of bandages and dressings, and 1,500 pairs of socks. It was ordered to ship the goods immediately and at present they are now westward bound for the stricken city. No shirts were sent but each member agreed to send clothing individually. The promptness of the W. P. A. makes their gift doubly valuable.

### Another Merchantman Gone.

The Light Keeper at Cape St. Mary's has sent the following to the Marine and Fisheries Department:—"Schooner Maggie Sullivan a total loss at Golden Bay, Placentia Bay, crew saved."

The vessel left here about a fortnight ago with a cargo of fish for the other side. She encountered a succession of heavy storms and, it is presumed, was putting back for repairs when she was driven ashore. The Maggie Sullivan was well known in the local and foreign trade.

### Topsail Lodge.

Kimberley Lodge, L.O.A., No. 65, Topsail, held its annual meeting on the 5th inst., and was fairly well attended. The Treasurer's report, the only one presented, showed the Lodge to be in a flourishing condition. The election of officers resulted as follows: W.M., Bro. John M. Butler, elected; D.M., Bro. John Dave, Jr., elected; Chap., Bro. Stanley Tilley, elected; Rec. Secy., Bro. Edward Hibbs, elected; Fin. Secy., Bro. Kenneth Smith, elected; Treas., Bro. J. J. Butler, elected; 1st Lecturer, Bro. Geo. Fowler, elected; 2nd Lecturer not appointed. General Committee, Bros. Annanias Miller, Geo. Smith, John Dave, sr., Henry Tilley, Ambrose Jeanes, elected.

### Halifax Sends Thanks.

The following telegrams have been received by Mr. W. G. Gosling, Chairman of the Halifax Relief Disaster Committee, dated Dec. 10th.

Relief Committee and citizens deeply appreciate your expressions of sympathy—financial aid is our most pressing need at the moment—any contributions will be gratefully received by the Bank of Nova Scotia, Halifax.

R. T. MacLureith,  
Chairman of Relief Committee.  
Heartiest thanks for your prompt and generous assistance.

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The St. Mary's W. A. Sale of Work will be held in Botwood Hall on Wednesday, Dec. 12, opening at 5 p.m. Aprons, Fancy Bags, Stamped Work, etc. 30 cent Teas and Suppers. Concert at 8.30. Admission 10 cts. dec8,10,12

## President Address

When I said in January that nations of the world were only to free pathways for also to assured and united to those pathways, I was I am thinking now, not of and weaker nations alone, our countenance and support of the great and powerful of our present enemies as present associates in the thinking, and as thinking Austria herself, among the well as of Serbia and of the justice and equality of rights only at a great price. The permanent, not temporary, for the peace of the world must seek them candidly. As always, the prove to be the expedient.

### Must Declare War

One very embarrassing that stands in our way is at war with Germany, but her allies. I therefore recommend that the Congress declare the United state of war with Austria.

The government of Austria is not acting upon its own or response to the wishes of its own people, but as agent of another nation.

We must meet its force men, and regard the cent as but one. The war can be fully conducted in no other same logic would lead to a declaration of war against Bulgaria. They also are the Germany. But they are not and do not yet stand in path of our necessary.

shall go wherever the need this war carry us, but it is that we should go only where date and practical consequences lead us, and not heed any other.

The financial and military which must be adopted with themselves as the war and detakings develop.

It will be necessary to certain particulars the leg the last session with sugar enemies and also necessary, to create a very definite and far control over the entrance of all persons into the United States. Legislation enacted defining as a crime, every willful violation of presidential proclamations to enemy aliens promulgated section 4067 of the revised and providing appropriate punishments; and women as well should be included under the acts placing restraints on enemies. It is likely that goes on many alien enemies willing to be fed and housed.

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