

in person. Office opens at eight o'clock Christmas Eve. A. V. S. Postmaster. "Christmas Post-Office."

His plan was that all should neatly wrap and address their gifts as though for mailing. Anything in imitation of regular mail matter would be received by him and distributed to those present.

It was wonderful how the suggestion was received and acted upon. Before eight o'clock Christmas Eve the big bay-window was piled high with packages and letters, nearly all of which were stamped with old or foreign stamps to make them more realistic. All the Christmas party were present and eager for the novel fun to begin. The children drew straws to determine which should act as postmen, and the two victors were presented with official caps. The first package delivered to each person had to be signed for as registered matter in a book provided for the occasion, thus securing autographs of all the merry-makers. Among the parcels besides the valuable gifts, were many jokes, letters in verse, imitations of advertising circulars, etc. In fact, brains had been racked to make the Christmas mail a heavy one.

Some of the party had previously put their heads together and got out a very respectable newspaper which was called "The Christmas Times." It was full of witty personals for all present, and

are numbered for every day use. For a friend who is travelling every thing must be neatly fitted for the suit case and a toilet bag is a necessity. It requires a piece of silk or ribbon about twenty inches by sixteen allowing for seams and facing, fold lengthwise and line with oiled silk or rubberized cloth, finish with a narrow cord and your bag is ready for all toilet articles. Navy and white, black and white check silk or Dresden ribbon make the prettiest bags, and if you buy wide silk by the yard several bags can be made from the one piece of material.

To make talcum powder cases it requires one half yard four inch ribbon, gather the ribbon neatly over talcum box and finish at the top with baby ribbon.

For chamois bags, it requires one half yard ribbon three or four inches wide, gather both edges separately to form a circle, fasten these gathered edges to a small crocheted ring, hem the ends of the ribbon which meet at the top and are used for an opening, make a loop of baby ribbon, slip a small chamois skin inside, making this gift complete.

Two laundry bags can be made from one yard of Holland linen which is forty inches wide, and the word Laundry or Linen embroidered in colored Rhosier silk, finish with a colored cord the same shade as the embroidery. Small pieces of ebony, celluloid tooth brush cases,

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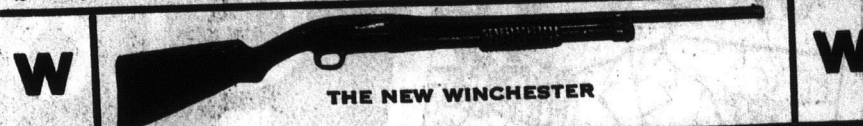
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A Christmas stocking for each person may tax one's ingenuity, but the family will appreciate the pains taken. Make the stocking of any pretty material and as large as desired; then fill each one with articles appropriate for the receiver. The housekeeper will like new iron-holders, a needlebook, recipe-book, pad and pencil, boxes of assorted nails, some little personal gifts, a calendar, etc. Children's stockings are easily filled with toys, candies, etc. Make it a point to plan the stockings early, and you will be surprised at the many appropriate gifts they can contain.

A way to give money that is certainly novel is to fold a new bill in such a way that on'y the portrait upon it will show; then put it in a pretty little frame, such as may be found at almost any department store. To people who dislike to give money outright this idea may fill a want.

Christmas Suggestions

Among the most economical gifts for Christmas are toilet articles, also they

soap box, nail polisher, comb and brushes are all very acceptable Christmas gifts on account of their usefulness.

Mixed Emotions

A Bostonian tells of a clean, well set-up young Irishman, who formerly saw service in the British Navy, but who is now engaged in business at the Hub.

"When are you going to get home rule in Ireland, John?" the Bostonian once idly asked.

"The only way that we'll get home rule in ould Ireland," said the Celt, "will be if France—an' Russia—an' Germany—an' Austria—an' maybe Italy—if they would all join together to give those blackguards of England a rare ould batin'. That's the only way, sir, we'll get home rule."

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