

# "The Busy Up-Town Store" HENDERSON & HUNT

A few minutes expended in our store this evening or to-morrow may save hours of indefinite seeking and will lead to savings that will put money in your purse—make this your Christmas store—in every section you will find the atmosphere fairly whispering the Yule Tide Spirit.

## Suggesting Appropriate Gifts

- BRACE SETS**  
Braces, Armbands and Garters, in fancy box, 50c. to \$1.50 set.
- BELT SETS**  
Leather Belt, pair of Garters and Armbands, in box, \$1
- FANCY GIFT BRACES**  
In boxes, 50c. to \$1.50
- GLOVES**  
A well thought of gift with a touch of comfort attached—wool, mocha and kid, 50c. to \$3.50.
- MUFFLERS**  
Every shape and color in fashion. "Give him a muffler." 25c. to \$1.50.
- UMBRELLAS**  
Always make a nice gift. We are showing an exceptionally fine range of handles and good coverings, 75c. to \$5.00.
- HANDKERCHIEFS**  
Pure Silk Initialed Handkerchiefs, 25c. and 50c.  
Fine Irish Linen, in boxes 50c. to \$3.00 box.
- NECKWEAR**  
We have displayed in our cases a line of ties that will give you a gift of 25 cents to 75 cents.
- A FEW THINGS THAT WOULD MAKE HIM HAPPY**  
Coat Sweaters, \$1.50 to \$3.00  
Pyjamas, 1.50 to 3.00  
Cardigans, 1.25 to 3.00  
Linen Collars, \$1.00 to \$2 dozen  
Underwear, 50c. to 2.00  
Colored Shirts, 50c. to 2.00  
Boots, \$4.00 to 5.00  
Winter Caps, 50c. to 1.50  
Fancy Vests, \$2.00 to 5.00  
Smoking Jackets, 5.00 to 7.50  
Overcoats, 8.00 to 25.00  
Suits, 6.00 to 25.00
- SOME OF THE MANY ARTICLES WE HAVE, SUITABLE FOR THE BOY'S CHRISTMAS**  
Sweater Coats, 50 cents to \$1.75 each  
Hockey Caps, 35 cents to 50 cents each  
Underwear, 35 cents to \$1.00 garment  
Stockings, 25 cents to 50 cents pair  
Shirts, 50 cents to 75 cents pair  
Winter Caps, 50 cents each  
Neckties, 25 cents to 50 cents each  
Gloves, 25 cents to 75 cents pair  
Overcoats, \$3.50 to \$10.00  
Suits, 2.00 to 8.00
- THE FOLLOWING GOODS ARE VERY POPULAR THIS YEAR**  
Collar Bags, 50c. to \$1.50  
Shaving Sets, \$1.00 to 4.50  
Hair Brushes, 2.00 to 5.00  
Ash Trays, 75c. to 1.50  
Tie Racks, \$1.00 to 2.00  
Dressing Cases, 3.50 to 12.00

It is To Your Own Advantage, As Well As Ours, To Shop Early.

# Henderson & Hunt

17 - 19 Charlotte St.

## The Evening Chit-Chat

By RUTH CAMERON

THE day before Christmas is quite often a trying day. Here is a suggestion for keeping the little folks out from underfoot while you do some of the ten thousand one last things.

Let them have a Christmas tree for the birds.

Give them some scraps of bread, crackers or stale cake, a handful of rice or other cereal, two or three apples and some scraps of worsted or ribbon or colored twine, and let them trim up some small trees in the garden for the birds, and scattering the cereal at the foot, and then standing back and watching the birds come and eat their Christmas feast.

Besides which, it is a rather pretty custom, don't you think?

Do the little ones in your family know what Christmas means? Do they connect anything besides Santa Claus, stockings, chimney, presents and a big dinner with the twenty-fifth of December?

There are people who want to entirely get rid of Santa Claus, because they think he hushes Christmas. I wouldn't banish the dear Old Saint for anything, but I certainly wouldn't let him obscure the One whose day Christmas really is.

It seems to me that, no matter how busy she is, every mother should take time Christmas Eve for the telling of the Old, Old Story to the babies. When she has tucked the little ones in bed, is the time to tell them about that other Babe who had no soft white pillow on which to lay his head, and no cunning little crib to sleep in, but was born in a stable and laid to sleep in a manger.

Let her take down the Book of Books and read that wonderful story through to herself once more in Matthew or Luke, and then let her use her utmost skill as mother-story-teller, to make this sweetest of all stories ring sweet and real to childish ears.

No matter how laboriously she may have worked to delight her children with gifts—no matter how well stocked for the Christmas junkets herarder may be, I think that mother has failed in her Christmas duties who has not found time Christmas Eve to tell the Bethlehem story to her babies.

Of course, the babies are not the only ones who need to be reminded of the meaning of Christmas. Either Christmas Eve or Christmas morning, I think that in every house the story of the birth of Christ should be read from one of the Gospels, preferably Luke.

Another pretty custom which obtains in several homes I know of, is the reading of selections from Dickens' Christmas Carol on Christmas Eve. In one home where the mother is a fine reader, several families from the neighborhood gather each year on Christmas Eve to hear Dickens' immortal Christmas story read aloud before the open fire.

Old folks usually love their home quite dearly enough, without any stimulus, but it is sweet customs like these which are needed to deepen and strengthen the love of home in the restless young hearts.

Do not say that you cannot spare the time for any such unnecessary thing at "moment of season."

I cannot afford not to spare it.

## IMPORTANT PROJECTS FOR COUNTY COUNCIL

The purchase of a modern road making plant including a traction engine and a stone crushing machine and a cement plant, to cost about \$10,000 will be advocated by County Secretary Kelly at a meeting of the new municipal council in January. By funding the road estimate, he says, this would make it possible to commence the construction of permanent roads instead of continuing the present system of patching. Mr. Kelly also advocates the employment of the jail prisoners at work in order to enable them to earn their keep. In this connection he has stated that if all the civic laws were enforced half of the population would be in jail.

Another matter to come up at the meeting is the presentation of a report on the proposed municipal home for advanced cases of "feverishness." An action has been set on a site on the car line near the city and Doctor Cox of Boston will come to the city to give the council his advice. There has been some question as to the right of the finance committee to prepare estimates for the coming year as the majority of them were not re-elected, but it has been decided that the committee has the power to act and they will present the estimates at the January meeting.

**USE OF PIANO.**  
In the matter of the use of the piano in schools John Kerr, singing master of the Carnegie Performing Trust, says that the proper place of the instrument is misapprehended by teachers at large. While children are learning a song there should be no accompaniment at all, and if should not be employed until the children are not perfect and their expression natural.

**HIS RECOMMENDATION.**  
Applicant for position—"I have here a letter of recommendation from my minister." Head of firm—"That is very good as far as it goes, but we don't need your services on Sunday. Have you any references from anybody who knows you the other six days of the week?"

The Eastern Townships Bank and the Canadian Bank of Commerce have been merged. The staffs of both are retained. The combination gives assets of more than \$20,000,000; paid up capital \$15,000,000 and reserve of \$12,500,000.

## La MARQUISE de FONTENAY

A Cable Story Which Opens up an Absorbing Tale of Royalty—A Princely Surgeon's Noble Work

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Until now people have been under the impression that the foreign policy of Germany was dictated from Berlin by the Kaiser, who has frequently been denounced for his autocratic indifference to the views of the other sovereigns and princes of the confederation known as the German Empire. But the war has proved a story told across the Atlantic, the centre of political gravity, so far as Germany's international relations are concerned, is not in Berlin, nor yet in Potsdam, but in the Munich royal suburb of Nymphenburg, and the prime mover is not the Kaiser, but Prince Louis Ferdinand of Bavaria, who is portrayed in the role of a Machiavelli.

It is urged, indeed, that the political destinies of Europe, even the relations of Germany, are swayed in an unfriendly sense to France, England, the United States, Italy and Portugal, from the salons of the wife of Prince Louis Ferdinand. It would not be worth while referring or discussing this wild fairy tale, which is described as "an international plot," were it not for the appearance in reputable papers, on the authority of some of the leading statesmen of the Portuguese republic, of its acceptance as truth by the French and English press. The only precedent could be brought forward for such a tissue of lies, is the fact that the son of Prince Louis Ferdinand is married to the only surviving sister of the King of Spain, and was naturalized as a Spaniard on the day of his wedding, granted a colonelcy of Spanish cavalry, and invested with the title, rank and prerogatives of an Infant of Spain. Although he has been brought up obviously in the United States, yet his marriage has turned out very happily indeed, and he and his wife and their two children maintain their home, all together with the Queen Mother, Christiana, indeed, there is a disposition to ridicule Don Alfonso's pretensions, as altogether too domestic in his tastes to suit the rapid pace of Madrilenian society.

With regard to the prince's father, Prince Louis Ferdinand, he is about the very last person in the world whom anyone would expect to see in the role of a scheming Machiavelli statesman, such as is portrayed in the story. It is true that for himself as an oculist, and for the Infanta, Eulalia, and of King Alfonso XII. Moreover, his mother was the Infanta Amalia of Spain. With all that, he remains a thorough Bavarian, retaining all the characteristics and appearance of the late king, and for one moment, consented to consider the pressure brought to bear upon him to become a Spaniard.

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## Daily Hints For the Cook

- MARQUERITES.**  
One cup of pulverized sugar, whites of 2 eggs beaten stiff, 1 cup chopped English walnuts. Put on top of butter tins and brown in hot oven.
- DAINTY VANILLA WAFERS.**  
One cup sugar and 2 1/2 of a cup of butter creamed together, 4 tablespoons of warm milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla extract, 1 egg beaten with 2 teaspoons baking powder and four enough to roll. Roll very thin, cut into small fancy shapes and bake on buttered tins. Have oven very hot and watch closely, as they burn easily.
- FRUIT CREAM.**  
Whip 1 pint of cream until stiff, and sweeten with 1 cup of powdered sugar. Add 1 cup of strawberries, 1 banana, cut into dice, 1 cup of finely cut pineapple, the pulp of 1 orange and finally fold in the stiffly beaten whites of 1 egg. Canned or fresh strawberries may be used.
- PINEAPPLE ORANGE SALAD.**  
Arrange upon each individual a round plate a crisp, curly lettuce leaf. Upon this place a round slice of canned pineapple, then a smaller slice of orange, and top all with a spoon of whipped cream, slightly salted, with which a spoon of chopped walnuts has been mixed.
- FILLED COOKIES.**  
One cup of sugar, one-half cup of shortening, one egg, one-half cup milk, 3 1/2 cups flour, two teaspoons cream tartar, one teaspoon soda, one teaspoon vanilla. Roll thin, put cookies in pan, then put teaspoon filling on each cookie. Don't let it come way to the edge. Place another cookie gently on top of each. Filling: One cup of chopped raisins, one-half cup sugar, one half cup water, one tablespoon flour. Mix all thoroughly and cook until thick, being careful as it burns easily.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Don't overlook the fact that there is no gift so acceptable as one that combines use with beauty. Consider the importance of the umbrella or the suit case. And don't overlook the fact that Hose and Ties never fail to receive a royal reception. Ties, in fancy boxes, 25c to \$1.25. Mufflers, in fancy boxes, from 25c to \$2.50. Mocha Gloves, in fancy boxes, from 75c to \$2.75. Wool Gloves, 50c to \$1.25. Braces, in fancy boxes, from 25c to \$1.50. Men's Half Hose, 25c up.

## CORBET'S

196 Union St.

## Save Money By Buying Your Christmas Gifts at This Store.

A dollar here means \$1.25 to you. That is you will save 25c on every dollar you will spend here. Gifts for women, men and children. Fancy neckwear of lace, silk and net; put up in nice boxes only 25c. Men's Neckwear—a big assortment, one to a box 25c. Handkerchiefs of all kinds 5c to 50c each. Men's Fancy Braces, 25c to 50c. Ladies' Belts—large assortment, 25c. Ladies' Handbags, 50c up to \$1.50. Fancy slippers for every member of the family, and hundreds of other things suitable for gifts too numerous to mention.

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282 Brussels Street Near Corner Hanover

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We Have Also a Nice Assortment of Men's and Boys' Clothing, Boots, Shoes and Rubbers to Fit Everybody. Our Prices Are Always The Cheapest. Call At

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## SHIPPING

**ALMANAC FOR ST. JOHN, DEC. 21, 1911.**  
High Tide, 12:43 Low Tide, 7:09  
Sun Rises, 7:48 Sun Sets, 4:44

**PORT OF ST. JOHN.**  
Arrived Yesterday:  
Schr. Romeo, 111, Spragg, Boston, Peter McIntyre.  
Star Line, 230, Sandberg, Philadelphia (tank star), Imperial Oil Co.  
Clear Yesterday:  
Star Hoopster, 637, Main, Liverpool via Halifax, Wm Thomson & Co.  
Schr. Helen G King, 126, Barton, Quincy (Alsea), W Adams.  
Sailed Yesterday:  
Schr. Hazel Trahey, Morrison, Noel (N S).  
MARINE NEWS.  
The little bay steamer Milano, Capt Lewis, went through the falls yesterday morning to Rowan's wharf, Indiantown, where she will load up for the south. Penance, Dec. 21—The British two-masted steamer Hollops, of 170 tons, captained and ranked three masters, left for Penance today. The crew were saved and landed here. When she was sighted coming in was reported this morning, she had a heavy list.

Harvey Hewson has subscribed \$2,000; Edgar Hewson \$1,500 and Rev. H. Wigle, \$500 to Mt. Allison endowment fund. All are Amherst men.

**E. T. C. KNOWLES APPOINTED.**  
Hon. Frank Cochrane, minister of railways, has appointed E. T. C. Knowles for New Brunswick, Emil Goulet for Quebec, and James McDonald for Nova Scotia, a committee to inquire into the conduct of I. C. Railway men during the recent election of their directors, the foreign relations of Germany, and the conduct of great powers, from their seventeenth century palace of Nymphenburg.

## Your Good Looks

should be a source of pride to you. Sallow skin, pimples, blotches and eruptions call for immediate attention. It should be your aim to get rid of these disfiguring signs of impure blood as quickly, certainly, inexpensively as possible. No outward application will purify your blood.

**BEECHAM'S PILLS**

help naturally from within. They cleanse the system and enable your stomach, liver and bowels to work as nature intended.

Try a few doses and see how quickly you will be rid of impurities, and how your blood and your looks will be benefited. It thoroughly tried and proved good this family remedy is

## The Best of Beauty's Aids

For females, Beecham's Pills are especially suitable. See instructions with each box. Sold Everywhere. In boxes 25c.

**THE DIFFERENCE.**  
Felix Hawated—"I should think these guys that had de fad for sleepin' out doors would be scared o' gettin' pinched!"  
Everett West—"It all depends. If you flop out doors when you get paid money, you're a fresh air crank. If you're broke, you're a bum."

Mrs. Corn Yeaton, of Polkard, Me., who is fifty-seven years old, walked from her home to Winthrop, a distance of sixteen miles, this week to visit a friend. She says the long walk did not at all tire her and to prove it she walked more than three miles from the railroad station to her home next day.