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"Why, Doc," he said very slowly, "you—don't—really—mean—to—say—that the old—" his voice dropped to a whisper, "has finished me this time?"

"Who finished you, Jim—who'd you say finished you?"

A curious smile flitted over the coarse lips and passed. Then the lips tightened and the thought behind the bandage made its way to the surgeon's quick brain, and there was a long silence.

At last:

"D'you ever hear tell, Doc, of a woman bein' hung?"

"Yes, Jim."

And then:

"Doc, am I goin' shore?" This question the surgeon answered with another, bending low.

"Jim, what message shall I give your wife?" The curious smile came back.

"Doc, this is Christmas, ain't it?"

"Yes, Jim."

"Doc, you're shore, air ye, that nobody knows who done it?"

"Nobody but you, Jim."

The man had been among men the terror of the hills for years, but on the last words that passed his gray lips his soul must have swung upward toward the soul of the Man who lived and died for the peace of those hills.

"Doc," he said thickly, "you jus' tell the old girl Jim says, 'Happy Christmas!'"

The surgeon started back at the grim cheer of that message, but he took it like a priest and carried it back through the little hell that flared down the ravine on Jim through the window. And like a priest he told it to but one living soul.

"Doc," he said, "I was goin' to git the old girl a Christmas gift. Tell her I'm—a-givin'—her—one—now, Doc," he repeated thickly: "tell the old girl Jim says—'Happy Christmas!'"

Gifts for Christmas.

By JEANNETTE WEIR.

From One to the Other.

Pair of Fur-lined Gloves Couch
Pair of Felt Slippers Umbrella
An Article of Dress. Gold Pencil
A Reading Lamp An Ottoman
A Reading Glass An Easy-Chair
An Eyeglass Hook A Bedside Table

Between Husband and Wife.

Plain Gold Sleeve Links Suit Case
with Initial Fur Pieces
An Individual Set for her Ring
place at the table Picture
A Set of Books, or one Watch-Fob
favorite volume, with Cane
special binding Couch
Bureau Fittings in Ivory Watch-Chain
Dress-Suit Shirt Studs House Coat
Locket Engraved, with picture inside
Shaving-Stand with appointments
Gold Pocket Pencil Dressing-Table
Antique Candlesticks Opera-Glasses
Cap and Sweater Golf Sticks

For Father and Mother.

A New Chair for his place at the table
Silver Pocketknife with his Initials
Brush and Comb Case for traveling bag
Shaving-Stand and Shaving Materials
Home-Made Negligee Shirts
A Small Rocker for sewing time
Eyeglass Hook and Chain
Bamboo Jardiniere Stool and a Plant
Pocket Stamp-Case Shopping Bag
Rain Coat Fur Piece
Silk Skirt Rain Coat

For a Son, Brother or Friend.

Evening Dress Protector
Musical Instruments
A Charm for his Watch-Chain
Set of Clothes Hangers
Fancy Blanket for Couch
Antique Pieces for his room
Book Trough Golf Gloves
Punching-Bag Desk Fittings.
Monogram ring Hat-Box

For a Daughter, Sister or Friend.

Circular Wicker Table for her room
Subscription to a Good Magazine
New Curtains for her room
Hosiery—hand-embroidered
Dotted Swiss Bureau Set
Materials for a New Waist
A Shirtwaist Box Several New Veils
Shirtwaist Studs A Watch
Some New Music Turkish Slippers

For the Only Girl in the World.

A Bookcase (if she is fond of books)
A Neck Chain and Locket
A Famous Book with special binding
A Framed Picture of Favorite Author
An Antique Plate or Chair
A White Kid Belt
An Indian Bead Belt
Small Wicker Traveler's Case
Brooch or Stickpin Opera-Glasses
Traveler's Clock A Desk
A Leather Grip Shell Pin

For Children From Six to Fifteen Years of Age.

For Boys.

Blackboard Gymnasium Suit
Punching-Bag Desk
Sand Pile Waterproof Satchel
Desk Books of Adventure
Pewter Soldiers A Dictionary
Assorted Pencils A Child's Coin Set
Indoor Games A Savings Bank
A New Dog Racquets
Buckboard Some Tennis Balls
Toy Typewriter A Tennis Set
Nose-Guard Indian Suit
Overalls Sweater

For Girls.

White Enamel Bureau
White Enamel Chiffonier
Hand Sewing-Machine
Manicure Scissors (or a full Manicure Set)
Some Tennis Balls
Tea-Party Dishes in a Basket with Dollies
Mandolin or Guitar
A Child's Coin Set
Jacket Slippers
Hair Ribbons
Rubber Boots
A Rain Coat
A Fox Terrier
A Dictionary
A Savings Bank
Tennis Set
Music Cabinet
A Secretary
Racquets
Bracelets
Ring
Muff
Tennis Set

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A Share in a Building Association
An Antique Spoon or Cup
A High Chair
Little Belongings where they are needed

For the Men and Women Helpers of Our Households.

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A New Note or a Gold Piece
A Smoker's Jacket
A New Dress Pattern Umbrellas
A Music Box Books
Pretty Pins Gloves

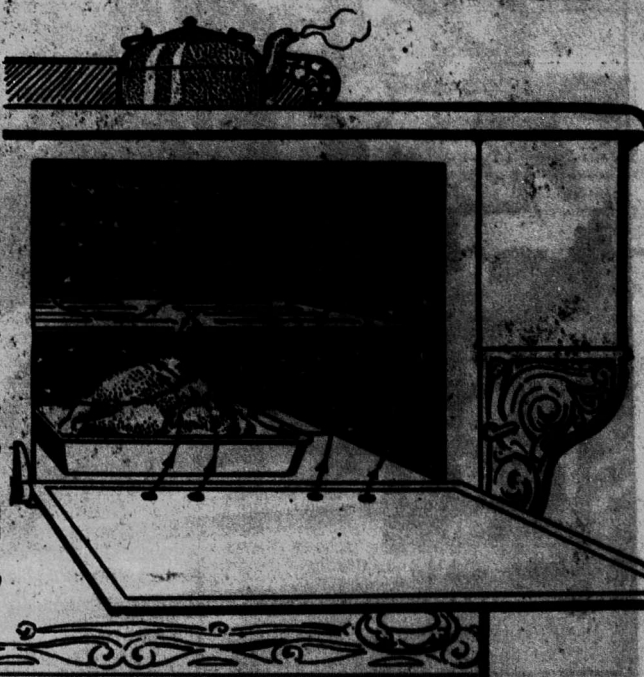
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Muffer Money
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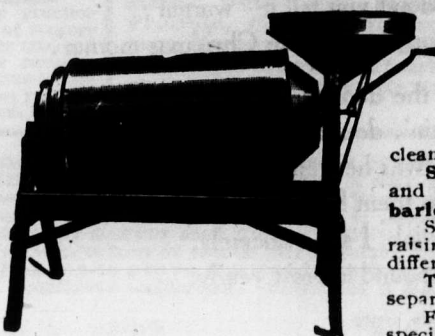
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