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S. A. Xmas Cheer.

Xmas Eve the Salvation Army made their annual distribution of parcels of meat, vegetables, fruit, etc., to the poor. The packages were given out from the S. A. College, Springdale Street, and amounted to about the same number as last year.

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Side Talks by Ruth Cameron

WHAT DO YOU LOUD PEDAL!

Do you put the loud pedal on your annoyances? A neighbor of ours was walking home from the station with his wife a few paces in front of me. He was carrying a suit case and a bag. He stopped to shift his burden and as I passed them I could not help hearing him say, "Why on earth didn't you take a trunk instead of all this stuff? It spoils the whole trip, having to lug stuff round like this—takes all the pleasure and all the good out of it for me."

His Brow Was Still Dark. Later when they passed my house I could see that his brow was still dark.

And a night or two ago when they dropped in to tell me about the trip, after his wife had told what beautiful rooms they had had and what splendid food and how much it had cost, he broke in with the fact that it ought to have been a good place, it was so "confounded hard to get to." "We had to start at seven in the morning," he said, "and change trains, and we had to sit round one of those miserable little stations and twirl our thumbs all that time."

He Never Emphasizes His Pleasures So.

The two bags to be carried a half mile, and the two hour wait for the train seemed to be the biggest features of his trip to that man. His instinct was to talk about them and fuss about them and to blame his wife for them and make her feel guilty over them. He would never

think of putting half the emphasis on as many hours of pleasure. That is, I think, more a masculine than a feminine habit. Women are so busy smoothing out annoyances for others and feeling guilty over those that they can't smooth out that they don't have time to fret over their own annoyances.

Even Croesus Couldn't Stop the Rain. They come to take them as a matter of course, which they are. I suppose there may be a few privileged beings in this world who, by means of money and power, manage to have the majority of annoyances smoothed out of their way, but there must be some inevitable annoyances even for them,—as for instance, the weather which even money cannot control.

And for the rest of us, every day must bring its small annoyances and inconveniences. If you want to spiff your days you can do it very simply,—just put the loud pedal on all annoyances, concentrate upon them, assure yourself that they spoil all your pleasure in the day, and you will find that they do.

The Bubble Burst.

Young Tom was spending Christmas in the country and had been invited to the beautiful home of a sweet young thing named Agnes.

"What a charming place!" he said enthusiastically, to Agnes' proud parents. "Does it go as far as those woods over there?"

"It does," remarked the somewhat unsympathetic father. "Ah," said Tom, still cheerily, "and to that old stone wall over there, sir?" "It does," came the gruff answer; "and it goes as far as the river on the south, and to the main road on the north."

"Beautiful!" put in Tom. "Yes," went on the old man, "but it doesn't go with Agnes!" Then Tom faded peacefully from view.

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Edgar A. Guest

HE WAS A DECENT GUY. I'd rather have it said of me. When this old journey's through, That on my way I'd tried to be, A friend to all I knew, Than have it said I gathered gold And then have voices fall Because they knew when that was told They'd really said it all. I'll gladly pass along my way, When comes my time to die, If all who knew me here shall say: "He was a decent guy!"

I've heard men speak beside their dead. I've stood in many a room And noted what is often said, By mourners in the gloom, I've heard high-sounding words of grief From many a polished tongue, And stammered phrases of belief Which from the heart were wrung, And I shall gladly journey on To where men's spirits fly, If some shall say when I am gone: "He was a decent guy!"

It's hard to think up things to say When death is at the door, And speechless many turn away Whose tongues were glib before. Yet in the homely words of men True meaning may be found, While praises which the master's pen May be but empty sound, So I shall feel my life worth while If friends shall testify And say of me in simple style: "He was a decent guy!"

In the Days of Repys.

Thanks to Pepys, we know something definite about Christmas weather in the past. On Christmas Eve, 1666, he wrote in his diary: "At night home to supper, and it being now very cold, and in hopes of a frost, I begin this night to put on a waistcoat, it being the first winter in my whole memory that ever I staid till this day before I did so."

On Christmas Day, in 1667, he wrote: "Drank some burnt wine at the Rose Tavern door, while the constables came, and two or three Bell-men went by, it being a fine bright moonshine morning, and so home round the city, and stopped and dropped money at five or six places, which I was willing to do, it being Christmas."

THE COP.



WAT MACE

Oh, the cop gets princely wages just to hear and sympathize, when we'd vent our futile rages, and hand out some sob's and sighs. He is standing on the corner, in his uniform of blue, and he'll weep with any mourner who would raise a howdydo. Tell your troubles to the copper, an attentive ear he lends; it's immoral and improper if you spring them on your friends. We have all our little sorrows, in each breast some sorrows lodge; and no man of wisdom borrows any trouble he can dodge; so when you are seen approaching with fresh grievances supplied, I don't need a lot of coaching ere I run away and hide. Tell your trouble to the peeler, he will listen on your wall; he will list to every spiler, as he leans against the jail; oh, he leans against the prison, and he teeters on his toes, and a princely wage is his'n, just because he hears your woes. All your griefs are old and hoary, and of weariness they're full; go and tell your dismal story to the nearest harness bull.

The Kaiser's Trial.

(Morning Chronicle.)

The London Chronicle is authority for the statement that the Government is steadily proceeding with its plans for bringing the ex-Kaiser to trial. It is probable that a formal application to the Dutch Government for the surrender of the ex-Kaiser will be made when the ratifications of the Peace Treaty by three of the Great Powers have been deposited. There are two alternative indictments on which William II. can be arraigned before an international tribunal. He can be tried on the charge of responsibility for the war, or on various charges for breaches of the laws of war.

It is probable, the London Chronicle learns, that the Government will proceed with the latter of these two courses, and so avoid the possibility of an interminable historical discussion with regard to the actual responsibility for the opening of hostilities. Holland is at present de facto the custodian of the ex-Kaiser. There is no doubt that the legal advisers of the Netherlands Government have been consulted on the delicate questions involved, but their findings are not known. Chief among the many difficulties to be guarded against in the matter is any appearance of bullying a small and friendly Power, which would naturally be the worst possible start-off for the League of Nations.

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Bubonic Plague in Argentine.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 15.—The bubonic plague is reported to have attained grave proportions at Las Rosas, Santa Fe Province, where the business houses have been ordered closed for forty-eight hours owing to the bad hygienic conditions. Several deaths with no medical assistance are said to have occurred at Las Rosas.

The sanitary committee has asked for help and the national department of hygiene has begun a war on the rats infesting grain warehouses.

Monsieur:

For 15 days in the month of January I was suffering with pains of rheumatism in the foot. I tried all kinds of remedies but nothing did me any good. One person told me about MINARD'S LINIMENT: as soon as I tried it the Saturday night, the next morning I was feeling very good; I tell you this remedy is very good; I could give you a good certificate any time that you would like to have one. If any time I come to hear about any person sick of rheumatism, I could tell them about this remedy.

Yours truly,
ERNEST LEVEILLE,
216 Rue Ontario East, Montreal,
Feb. 14, 1908.

Hard on the Plumber.

"Conscription has, maybe, saved the country," growled the Tommie, "but what I object to is the company it drives a man into. I'm a plumber by trade and an honest workman, yet I'm compelled to suffer the society of such professionals as a lawyer, a minister and an auctioneer." "Not a bad selection at that, Bill," remarked his friends. "Oh, maybe not in a way; but when the minister and the lawyer start an argument on Egyptian law in the middle of the night, across half a dozen beds, what chance has even a plumber of stopping the gas leak?"