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Christmas 1907.

It is a beautiful thing to make a gift at Christmas time, but how often is the occasion overdone or underdone! How many of us generous old codgers present our wives and other close relatives with diamond tiaras, strings of pearls, sealskin sacques (when you spell it "sacques," instead of sacks, add a couple of hundred extra) automobiles and trips to Europe, and then spend the next ten years humping ourselves to keep up the monthly payments, wearing linen dusters, eating at free lunch counters and dodging the ubiquitous constable to keep from being run in for vagrancy? Hundreds of us!

The writer knew one poor old sucker—no other expression fits—who made his better half a Christmas present of an eight hundred dollar sealskin. She kissed him about ninety times a day for a week when he up and died. Within a few months afterward she married again. One day the sexton happened to be working near his grave and hearing a peculiar noise, concluded to open it. What do you suppose he saw? Why, you see the widow had come out to the grave with her second husband several times, wearing her sealskin, and this made the first husband so mad that he had actually turned over in his coffin and had scratched with his finger nail on the side of the coffin: "You d—d old fool, you!" Of course the above is an unusual case, but much sorrow and misery come from the husbands making too expensive presents. If they make a good stiff present and then get hard up the rest of the Winter, they never hear the last of it. If they make some little dinky present—say a couple of window shades, or say a box of cigars, you eat in the kitchen with the hired man the next two months.

One incident came under the personal observation of the writer several years ago. The husband, in a wild, unguarded wave of unheard-of generosity, presented the wife of his bosom with the finest diamond ring he could get. It was nearly the size of a robin's egg and shone so dazzlingly that one, after looking into its lustrous depths, would have to go off and look at the side of a drab-colored barn to equalize the brilliancy. Mrs. Wife nearly had a fit when she got that ring, and after first scratching the window pane to see if it was genuine and not a beautiful paste, she rushed into the other room and brought forth a pair of knitted woolen slippers that could be bought in the store for nineteen cents, and where she had sewed across the left sole of one of them: "God Keep Hubby Home." This rather too suggestive present, outside of its awful cheapness, made hubby mad. He threw the slippers, motto and all, through the win-

dow, wifey commenced crying, and struck out for her mother's, and it took eight friends and a block and tackle to get her back again. Now this simply grew out of a discrepancy and inequality of presents. A man who would set a precedent by giving his wife a sparkler sets an example that cannot be severely reprobated. What is he going to do next Christmas? He cannot give her a zinc washtub nor an improved, self-adjusting clothes line. The fact is, he has cooked himself for all time and will either have to keep the Kimberly stunt up until the grim Reaper calls him hence to his fathers, or will have to take time by the forelock and seek death 'neath the waters of some dark pool.

But, gentlemen, in conclusion: no matter what you give, no matter what your better halves give, don't forget about one week from Christmas Day to hand her a great wad of bills, or a handful of yellow gold, so she may go forth joyously to the gorgeous emporiums and there "blow" herself with great eclat and with a great aplomb.

Ordinance No. 118

An Ordinance to amend Section 1 of Ordinance No. 108, entitled, "Relating to certain animals, and prohibiting their running at large within the corporate limits of the Town of Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon," and as the same appears of record in Volume 3 at page 426 of the Records of the Town of Jacksonville, Oregon.

The People of the Town of Jacksonville, do Ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 1 of Ordinance No. 108, entitled, "Relating to certain animals, and prohibiting their running at large within the corporate limits of the Town of Jacksonville, Jackson Co., Oregon" and as the same appears of record in Volume 3 at page 426 of the records of the Town of Jacksonville, Oregon, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 1. No Stallion, Mare, Gelding, Coit, Jack, Ass, Mule, Cow, Bull, Heifer, Calf, Steer, Ox, Sheep or Goat shall be allowed to run at large, or be herded in any of the streets, alleys or public places within the corporate limits of the Town of Jacksonville.

Section 2. That all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby REPEALED.

Section 3. Whereas an emergency exists for the immediate operation of this Ordinance, therefore the same shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.

The foregoing ordinance was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of said Town of Jacksonville, at a special session of said Board on the sixteenth day of December, A. D., 1907.
H. G. Dox,
Clerk of the Board of Trustees.

Holiday Rates.

Rate of a fare and a third will be granted by the S. P. Co. for the coming Christmas and New Year's holidays, round trip to Oregon points, "Lines in Oregon." Tickets will be on sale Dec. 23, 24, and 25 for Christmas and Dec. 30, 31 and Jan. 1 for New Years. Return limit Jan. 2, 1908. These are unusual liberal conditions. These rates are for Oregon points only. Further information at the depot.

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