

Perry & Nicholson's Wonderful Bargains in Christmas Gifts for the Home

The greatest furniture store is out to the front with quality, style and low prices. We ask you to come and see what we have, to pay this great store a visit, compare where you like and be your own judge.

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Real Rug Bargains

No rug is a bargain when it looks like no one would have it at any price. Ours Are The Good Kind. Fine specimens in Oriental Effects, Charming Floral patterns in light colorings. Plain centers in new shades. If you want a choice rug for \$1.65 come here or for \$2.25 or \$3.00 or \$5.00 or \$40.00, come here.



Rockers & Chairs

We challenge any store in any city five times the size of Marshfield to show as good line of chairs and rockers as we carry. From this vast and excellent selection remember you can buy a good rocker for \$1.75. Also High Back, All Oak Arm Rockers for \$3.00. Beginning with these prices you can go on to the limit of \$30.00 for rockers. Oak Rockers, Mahogany Rockers, Fibre Rockers, Reed Rockers, Leather Rockers and Birch Rockers.



Couch Covers and Portieres

Would you like a couch cover with a plain center, and rich Oriental Border. Or an All-over Forest Tapestry, or an Oriental Medallion? Well you can have couch covers from \$1.50 to \$10.00. Portiers, all shades and colors. Jardiniere stands, pedestals, stools, magazine stands, Ladies' desks, umbrella stands, sewing baskets, jardiniere, fern dishes and 100 other choice offerings.



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St. Nick and Santa Claus HOW NAMES ORIGINATED

NICHOLAS, bishop of Myra, in Lycia, Asia Minor, was born at Patara, in Syria, about 300 A. D. He is the chief patron saint of Russia, patron of numerous seaports, patron saint of children, especially schoolboys, poor maidens, travelers, merchants and sailors, and is one of the most popular saints of the Christian church. He became a priest and a monk and rose to be abbot; made a pilgrimage to Palestine and on his return was chosen bishop. The working of miracles upon a stupendous scale was attributed to him. It was believed he quelled storms at sea, foretold the future, multiplied loaves of bread and even raised the dead. He died on Dec. 6, 326, and was buried at Myra. His remains are claimed by both east, southeastern Italy, where they were said to have been taken by merchants in 1084, and by Venice, where they are said to rest in the Church of St. Nicholas, on the Lido. In Russia and some other European countries Christmas gifts come from St. Nicholas, who is severe of manner, but kind to all good little boys and girls.

SANTA CLAUS is no relation to St. Nicholas, though his name is often confounded with that of the holy patron of children. Santa Claus is a sort of modern and somewhat pagan saint. He is jolly, as if he lived well, and always smiles. His name came originally from the Dutch, who had some difficulty in saying St. Nicholas—or St. Nicholas, as they spell it—and so shortened it to saint, or Santa Claus, the last word being in part the last syllable of the saint's name. Santa Claus is better known in America perhaps than in any other country. He has no place in any list of saints, though his sole business is doing good. He is believed to live at the north pole, though Peary saw nothing of him there. He travels with reindeers. Kris Kringle or Kris Krinkle is a name sometimes given Santa Claus. This comes from careless speech on the part of the Germans, just as the name of Santa Claus comes from the careless Dutch. In German Carist Kindeln means Christ Child, the giver of all gifts.

- SIMPLE CHRISTMAS MENU.**
- Oyster Cocktail.
 - Olives.
 - Cream of Tomato Soup.
 - Roast Turkey.
 - Boiled Dressing.
 - Cranberries.
 - Potato Croquettes.
 - Celery.
 - Spinach.
 - Creamed Onions.
 - Cabbage Salad on Lettuce Leaves.
 - Plum Pudding.
 - Hard Sauce.
 - Vanilla Ice Cream in Glasses.
 - White Mountain Cake.
 - Bonbons.
 - Crackers.
 - Cheese.
 - Coffee.

LOOK WHO'S HERE!



Or at least he is almost here. You will have to hurry if you get ahead of him. It is easy to see that from his eyes. **DO THAT CHRISTMAS SHOPPING RIGHT AWAY or he will be on you before you know it.** Do you love this old man? The children do. If you love the children as much as they love Santa Claus you will go right out and buy those presents today. There is nothing more beautiful than to make glad the heart of a child. **BUY THOSE PRESENTS NOW** and you will be glad every minute till Christmas. Try it. It really works.

For field service the French army has adopted uniforms the color of mignonette, believing it to be the least conspicuous shade under a majority of conditions.

THE BETHLEHEM STAR

By ALOYSIUS COLL.

The Bethlehem star, the guiding star Of old Judea's night— Has it become a faded scar Across the orient night, The guess of science and the guess Of critic, seer and sage? Has it the dimmer grown or less For change of time and age? Star of the east—it is not set. Though science scout the sky, 'Tis burning in the heaven yet As bright and sure and high As when the shepherds saw it flame Over old Bethlehem And followed it until it came And showed a Christ to them. It is not set, the Bethlehem star, But hovers full and clear Where'er the babe and cradle are And parents watching near, Where'er the angel lips of love Bring tidings of great joy, Where'er a mother bends above Her darling firstborn boy.



WHERE'ER THE BABE AND CRADLE ARE AND PARENTS WATCHING NEAR.

The Bethlehem star—each mother sees Its holy promise light, Believing each its destinies Her darling's in the night, Believing each the little star Is set above her son To light her mother hopes that are And shine when hers are done.

Mary in Bethlehem outcast In Mother Mary still And lives the Mary of the past On Scotland's heathered hill; Are Mary's of the time of God And Egypt, Rome and Spain, Are Mary's of the time of God And watch the star again.

The Bethlehem star, the guiding star That hovers full and clear Where'er the babe and cradle are And parents watching near, Where'er the angel lips of love Bring tidings of great joy, Where'er a mother bends above Her darling firstborn boy.

Results Are the Same. "But if you don't believe in Santa Claus how do you expect him to bring you Christmas presents?" asked Tommy's uncle. "Huh!" replied Tommy. "Believe in anything to do with it. I don't believe in ghosts, but I'm afraid of them just the same."

GETTING MISTLETOE FROM OKLAHOMA.

How the Kissing Plant Is Gathered and Marketed.

DOUTLESS many people while purchasing their Yuletide decorations have often wondered whence come the immense supplies of mistletoe which must be required to fill the great demand for it during the holiday season in the cities and towns of those states too far north for that parasitic growth to thrive, says F. J. Sherman in Country Life in America. Among many of the people native to the states north of Kansas and Missouri who have never taken the trouble to look the matter up a sort of general idea prevails that mistletoe is to be found only at rare intervals, after a diligent search, and then on oak trees with only a few sprigs growing in a place.

The traveler visiting Oklahoma City, capital of the new state of Oklahoma, during the winter time and, taking a walk out to Wheeler park, which is situated in the southwest part of the town, will have this idea quickly dispelled from his mind, for at even a considerable distance from the park his attention will be drawn to the strange appearance which the trees present at that season of the year, when the leaves are off and the mistletoe thrives on every branch.

In the summer time, when the leaves are on the trees, the mistletoe cannot be seen unless it is specially looked for, and then it appears to be almost a part of the natural foliage of the tree upon which it is growing.

Contrary to general belief, mistletoe is rarely found on oak trees and in Oklahoma is nearly always found on swamp or water elms, which are generally seen growing in lowlands and along river banks. Here it thrives luxuriantly.

There is but one species usually found in Oklahoma out of the 400 odd species known to exist, most of which are found in tropical countries and are parasitic in nature.

In Oklahoma two or three weeks before Christmas the annual mistletoe harvest is gathered—generally by boys who don't mind the dangerous and risky job of climbing into all sizes of trees after it—and brought to town, where it is packed in barrels and boxes and shipped to the northern cities and towns, where, along with the holly and evergreen, it finds a place in those happy homes which have not forgotten the good old custom of decorating in honor of the glad Christmas tide.

TO SEND WITH CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

- Calendars.** May all the days Throughout this year "Red letters" be To you, my dear.
- May all the jeweled beads Upon Time's rosary Be gold without alloy. This is my prayer for thee.
- Handkerchiefs.** Twelve bits of white fluff to my lady's boudoir— As many as months in the year. Here's hoping that never a month nor moucher Will hold for that lady a tear.
- A Box of Cigars.** Many a film of fairy fancy Goes up in smoke each year; But, being a woman, of course I can't see. What dream chrysalides are here. —Delineator.

A PLEA FOR THE POOR AT CHRISTMAS.

DO you know of any homes in your neighborhood where Santa Claus never comes? Is there a sick father, a father out of work, a widowed mother, an old and indigent person? Charity, it has been said, begins at home, but it shouldn't stay there. It should go out into the highways and byways. Especially is this true of Christmas charity, which should be the highest kind of Christian charity. Your children will have toys and sweetmeats in abundance. Perhaps they will have more than is good for them. It will make you happy to look into their joyous faces on Christmas morning when they inspect the treasures left for them by Santa Claus. But there is a sort of happiness even more to be desired than this. It is that which comes from remembering the poor at Christmas. Think of the little ones and the sick and aged who will have no Santa Claus this year unless you become their Santa Claus. A very little gift to one who otherwise would receive none looms large in the eyes of the recipient. Surely you can make somebody outside your own family and circle happy this Christmas. One of the wisest of the old sayings is this: "It is better to give than to receive." This proverb embodies and exemplifies the Christmas spirit, which is the Christian spirit reduced to the concrete. Remember the poor this Christmas.

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THE HAYESES' CHRISTMAS.

The President's Wife Herself Put Up Delicacies For the Sick. Christmas at the White House with Mrs. Hayes as its mistress was a succession of Christian charities and joyful gatherings. "William, I want you to buy forty turkeys, besides our own, and vegetables, pickles and fruit to go with them," she said to the steward one Christmas eve. The steward has told with pride how for four years he got the forty turkeys and how the madam came to the storeroom, rolled up her sleeves and filled bags with cranberries, lemons, crackers and small delicacies for the sick. The Hayeses gave the home Christmas presents in an original way. All the gifts were taken to the family room, assorted for each person and laid on tables. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes distributed them. At the tap of a bell some one was called, and, walking in, he received all his gifts. Each in turn came the same way. Try our **FLOUNDER STEAKS.** City Fish Market. Phone 269-J. Don't forget the Turkish Baths PHONE 214-J.

The Tallest Holly Trees. The American holly appears to attain its greatest size and perfection in southern Arkansas and Texas, where it is to be seen at times from forty to fifty feet in height. In much smaller form it grows naturally, however, along the south shore of Massachusetts among tupeloes, black oaks, red maples, cedars, etc., but not much northward of Hingham and Quincy.

The Little Boy Who Moved. The fairies missed him when they came To play their evening game. They searched the old red farmhouse through. They called aloud his name. They even looked inside the barn, But vain their questing proved. So they made up their elfin minds The little boy had moved. Kris Kringle missed him when he came Upon his reindeer ride. He hunted for him high and low, But not a trace he spied. But still he keeps a lookout sharp To find him if he can— The little boy who went one day To live inside a man. —McLanburgh Wilson in Judge.

One Stocking Not Enough. "The Christmas stocking idea is all right," remarks Uncle Hiram, "but the little girls and boys of this day get so many presents that if all were put in stockings they'd have to hang up several pairs."