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For this wonderful season we have made a bright and cheery collection of things for Mothers, Fathers, Brothers, Sweethearts and Friends. In arranging our holiday stocks we have planned to have something to meet every taste. Men and Women, Boys and Girls can come to us to do their Christmas shopping and feel that they can secure appropriate articles, sure to gladden the hearts of those who receive them. Make this your Christmas shopping center. Come to look or come to buy, but come. Satisfy yourself that the articles we have chosen for Christmas selling are all that you could wish for.

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ELECTION JUDGES.

NEXT to the victim of the Christmas shopping rush the election judges and clerks are entitled to sympathy. Why anyone should want to sit all day and watch people vote and then to sit up all night to count the ballots is a mystery. It is work that should be done by machines, such as are now in use in many Eastern states.

GIVES WATER WORKS TO CITY.

THERE are times when surrounded by evidences of greed for gain and selfish aggrandizement, we despair of ever attaining the brotherhood of man. Always, however, there is another side to the picture. Somewhere the heaven of love is working and men are making ideals real.

Coos Bay people will be interested in this bit of news from the Youths' Companion, that tells of a gift that would touch a responsive chord in hearts here. The Companion says:

"When Ivers W. Adams of Boston felt the impulse to bestow a substantial gift on his native town, which is Ashburnham, Mass., there seemed at first to be little chance for him to carry out his wish. Ashburnham already had a library, a town hall, a soldiers' monument and an academy. But Mr. Adams studied the situation carefully, and when made the town a gift that is

perhaps unique—a complete system of water works. The water works were dedicated on Columbus day with appropriate exercises. The gift includes a reservoir, a standpipe, a pumping station, an electric pumping plant, and seven miles of mains all complete and working."

OWN A HOME.

Let your first investment be a home.

Have your children a house to live in or a home to love in?

Don't be content to raise your children under another man's roof.

Is your family just a few people living together, or, have you a home?

Many men haven't the money to build because they haven't the courage to save.

It's a tough thing to walk a town of homes and know that none of them is yours.

What will be your children's recollection of a home—a house you owned or a house you rented?

No man is too poor to build as long as he is spending money for some luxury he could deny himself.

If your living in a house made the house more valuable, if the house were yours you would reap the profit.

No doubt the lot on which you live will be worth more in a few years than it is now; but it will be worth it to the landlord, not to you.

You can have more fun in youth by spending all your money now; but you can have more comfort in age by building a home in in youth.

You never will be able to get along without a house to live in; but you will be able to get along without a landlord as soon as you build one for yourself.

The man who spends for pleasure the money which he could save toward a home is as foolish as the man who picks the flower instead of waiting for the fruit.

Your landlord had the foresight to build for you because he knew you would need a home; how much better if you had had the foresight to build for yourself.

The difference between sitting under your own vine and fig tree or under some other fellow's vine and fig tree is that whatever grows on the vine or fig tree is yours.

WHAT IS?

A new one now comes on the stage. 'Tis fashion, fad or maybe rage that's caught our Willie, Connie, Ben and Charlie, Hiram, Roy and Hen. 'Tis not a change in cut of clothes, but something worn beneath each nose, that makes the wearer's smiling face seem twisted, bent and out of place. 'Tis worn in colors, brown and white, or dun, or roan, or dark, or light, and other shades and hues that glow like flow'rs which in our gardens grow.

We see this new thing ev'ry-where—on faces, round and fat and fair—on boys who seek to reach the state of manhood at an early date. 'Tis not a moustache, as we knew that thing that lived and thrived and grew on Uncle Harry's spacious lip, from which molasses used to drip, and which he used to stroke with pride, when he, too, first felt dignified. Ah! no, such name we cannot place on that thing fastened to your face, so tell us, fellows, on the square—what is this puzzle that you wear? Is it some signal of distress, or just a hope that you caress?

H. J. McK.

THE WAY TO HOLD A BABY

(Detroit Free Press)
I used to think
It was a snap
To hold a baby
On my lap.
I never knew
That it's an art,
Reserved for but
The ultra-smart.
I paid no great
Attention to it.
I thought that
Any dub could do it.

But yesterday
I volunteered
To let a baby
Tug my beard.
As confident
As man can be,
I took the infant
On my knee.
At once the little
Rascal howled.
The while its mother
Grimly scowled.

"Support its back."
My good wife cried.
Keep one hand al-
ways at its side."
"Don't be so rough."
Another said;
"Be careful how
You hold its head!
Don't squeeze it so,
Give it to me
If you can't hold
It properly.
They hurled advice
From every side,
But wrong was
Everything I tried,
Until at last
I gave it back
And grabbed my hat

RESTRICTION ON THE BRIDGE

REPORT THAT SOUTHERN PACIFIC WILL BE REQUIRED TO GUARANTEE MANY THINGS TO SAFEGUARD SHIPPING.

That the Southern Pacific is anticipating favorable action on its permit to bridge Coos Bay was reported today and that it is already preparing to start the construction of the bridge soon after the first of the year was reported.

It is generally expected that the permit for bridging the Bay will be coupled with stipulations which Captain Magee and others intimated during the hearing here. Some of these were that the draw should be either kept open or the height of the bridge increased ten or twelve feet, that the company should be compelled to dredge away sand bars, etc. It is not improbable that a provision may be made to require the railroad to maintain a tug to take vessels through the draw in case it becomes dangerous, as Captain Magee and others intimated it might. It is also expected that the "common user" clause will be included in the permit.

The decision of the War Department will be handed down tomorrow at Washington, probably.

And left the shack.
Take it from me.
It is no snap
To hold a baby
On your lap.

For Elks' Club.—H. J. McDiarmid and Col. Rosa came over from Bandon today to confer with Marshfield Lodge of Elks about starting an Elks' club at Bandon. The matter will probably come up at tonight's meeting of the Marshfield lodge.

MAY NOT BE MATLOCK.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 18.—Former Mayor J. D. Matlock expressed the belief today that his son was not the desperado killed at Santa Ana. The telegraphic description of the man does not tally with his son, he said.

CLOSE CALL IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Ivy Condron and H. A. Wells Nearly Go Over 40-Foot Embankment.

Ivy Condron and H. A. Wells of Marshfield narrowly missed going over a 40-foot embankment at North Bend in Condron's auto yesterday afternoon. They were running down Stanton street behind Gorst & King's auto at a good clip. The first machine stopped and Condron swung out to avoid a collision. Then he saw the railing marking the end of the street on Washington on the edge of the embankment. He put on the brakes but the street was wet and the machine hit the railing. The front part of one wheel went over the but the railing held it. The machine was somewhat damaged but the occupants were only badly frightened.

OFFER IS ACCEPTED.

English Warship Will Bring White-law Reid's Body Home.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
LONDON, Dec. 18.—Mrs. White-law Reid has decided to accept the offer by the British government of a warship to convey the body of her late husband to the United States. The arrangements will be completed between the British foreign office and the American State Department.

Among the first wreaths to reach Dorchester House was one from the Queen Mother. Hundreds of applications have been received for seats in Westminster Abbey for the memorial services for the late ambassador, which is to be held on Friday.

Try to Rob Store.—Evidence was discovered last night by Special Patrolman Charles Doane of an attempt to break into the rear window of Ekblad's hardware store. An effort to force the window had been made, but evidently Mr. Doane or someone else appeared about the time the culprits were to succeed and frightened them away.

DIAMOND RING NOW MISSING

Maude Noble, Chandler Employee, Loses \$75 Jewelry —Suspect Wront.

Miss Mabel Norton, a dining room girl at the Chandler Hotel, is mourning the loss of a \$75 diamond ring. It was taken some days ago from her trunk in her room in the Coos building. She suspected Maude Lee, a former employe of the Chandler, who left on the last Speedwell for San Francisco. She informed Justice Pennock, who wired the chief of police at San Francisco. The latter had the Leo girl's belongings searched but found no trace of the ring. Justice Pennock has also been informed that a Coos Bay man was recently "rolled" for \$300 here and is looking into it although no information has been filed.

AMONG THE SICK.

Robert Richards is reported very ill at his home in Sumner.

Mrs. Clarence Pulley of Bandon, who was operated on at Mercy hospital yesterday, is reported doing nicely.

Florent Richardson, young son of Walter Richardson of Bunker Hill, is recovering from a severe spell.

Herbert Lockhart, who is confined to his home by grip, is much better.

Assessor T. J. Thrift is here from Coquille taking treatment for a severe attack of rheumatism.

WONT USE CANAL.

Canadian Pacific Railway's Vessels Not to Ply Through.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)
MONTREAL, Dec. 18.—"There is no necessity of the Canadian Pacific Railway operating its ships through the Panama canal," was the statement of G. M. Bosworth, vice president of the Canadian Pacific today. He declared the Atlantic and Pacific Steamers Co. will operate in the capacity of assistants to trans-Canada railways.