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Somewhere, some time, I ran across something much like the following, which for real humor and singular appropriateness to this particular time of year I think can hardly be surpassed. It is a quizzical Christmas sermon on gift giving. Text: What shall I give? What shall I

This is the burning question of the hour as the holidays approach, and one that requires a judicious mingling of sentiment and common sense. Any fool can give something. Any spendthrift can overdo it, and nothing is easier than to give too little.

The thoughtful citizen is inclined to ask, "Why give anything?" But these are sad days for the thoughtful citizen, and it is better that he should not be considered. If we once allow ourselves to realize the folly of exchanging these undesired gifts we shall destroy the holiday spirit. Let us on the other hand endeavor to forget that we must spend money we can ill afford in purchasing gifts that the recipients would never think of buying for themselves.

I, of course, understand that you will as usual present your wealthy friends and relatives with gifts of some value for the reason that inexpensive objects would be out of place in their surroundings; and that you will, as usual, give to your humbler and more impecunious relatives those cheaper articles which it is their custom to receive. The fifty dollar gift to those who have no possible use for it will continue to impress you as being the usual and proper thing. You will also see your way clear to give the twenty-five cent present to those who would not only heartily appreciate and enjoy, but who really need something very much better. Now my dear friends if you earnestly wish this holiday season to be a season of joy do not dispense these perfunctory and worse than useless gifts.

Deny yourself the pleasure of presenting to intelligent beings those holiday objects that are made only to be sold with no thought for after use.

What shall I give is certainly a burning question, but what shall I receive, is probably in your mind, a still better one. Put yourself in the place of the recipient. If you are short of money and your little children need shoes and overcoats, of what avail is a Japanese vase or a celluloid nail brush?

There is neither nourishment in a frame for photographs nor warmth in a silver plated inkstand.

Do not mislead yourself and seek consolation in the vain thought that it is the spirit of the deed and not the value of the article that is important. You are not deceived by that sentiment when your rich uncle gives you a silver tooth pick instead of the gold watch you expected. Neither is your impecunious relative carried away by too much sentiment when you, in turn, play a similar game upon him and his expectations. If you give him anything let it represent something more than a useless waste of very useful money.

If you can summon the courage to do some honest good and give real pleasure to others, bestow your calendar and cheap paper center upon the rich and not upon the poor. Turn your back upon the thirty dollar rocking horse you thought of sending to the overtoyed son of your opulent relative. Give the money to your struggling kinsman who is trying to educate a family on fifteen hundred a year.

In a word, my dear brother, when you make it known in this holiday season that your heart is expanding, see to it that your purse and your intelligence do not contract in proportion." Thus runs the Christmas Sermon which every one may take home to himself. Dor.

Priceville.
From our own Correspondent.
Last week we wrote out a budget of news for The Advance but forgot to post them, hence some of them will appear in this issue.
The Sons of Temperance gave a good entertainment to a large audience on Thursday evening, Dec 6th, in their hall on Kinross street. A choice program was rendered consisting of readings, dialogues, recitations, addresses, etc.
A public meeting of the ratepayers of ward No. 1, was held in Union Hall last Wednesday for the purpose of having a talk over council matters. All the speakers expressed themselves as well satisfied with our present township council, and especially with our energetic representative, Mr. D. McMillan. It was moved, seconded and carried unanimously that Mr. D. McMillan again represent ward No. 1 at the council board for 1913. Mr. Hazard occupied the chair.

The Commercial Hotel changed hands last week. The new proprietor is Mr. Merritt Cochran, of Durham.
The congregation of the Presbyterian church are getting his stone on the grounds for the cellar of the new Mansie.
A respectable number of cattle were disposed of at the fair last Monday. Prices were low but half a loaf is better than no bread.
Messrs. Walter and Richard Walters are home for their holidays after spending 13 or 14 weeks of solid work in the Durham Model reboil.
Mr. Geo. Lothian, of Moose Jaw, Assn., paid a visit to his friends in this burg last week.
Mrs. Robertson and family are moving to Toronto this week. We wish them a pleasant sojourn in their new home.
Mr. B. Middaugh, who lately came to this burg, moved into Mrs. Robertson's house on Sunday.
The Rev. D. McLeod paid a visit to Palmerston last week to attend some business in connection with the Saugoon Presbytery.
We are glad to state that Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Wm. Ferguson, who have been seriously ill, are now on a fair way to recovery.

CHRISTMAS, 1894.
Once more we hail the welcome day
Which brings to mind the Saviour's birth;
Let festive joys drive gloom away,
Let peace encircle all the earth,
While we with gladness celebrate
The birth of the great Potentate.
From Him we learn the law of love,
And how we may our blessings share,
By active sympathy we prove
That we for one another care.
Thus all in kindest deeds unite
To hail the season with delight.
Not for that light which brightly shone,
Nor music sweet as Angels' song,
But for the King Himself alone
Our waiting spirits watch and long.
His birth we gladly celebrate,
And for His second coming wait.
One day of Christmas joys, and then
The world its common course pursues,
Mindful of the morning when
The Angels brought the joyful news.
But when the King Himself appears
The joy will last through endless years.
Colborne, Dec. 1899. T. WATSON.

A Boon to Horsemen.—One bottle of English Spavin Liniment completely removed a curb from my horse. I take pleasure in recommending the remedy, as it acts with mysterious promptness in the removal from horses of hard, soft or calloused lumps, blood spavin, splints, curbs, sweeny, stifles and sprains.
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Does someone tell us that cases like this must be the exception and not the rule with those who have approached or gone beyond the allotted three score years and ten? Not so, if they have become acquainted with the virtues contained in South American Nervine. Before us in this sketch is the picture of Mrs. John Dinwoody, of Flesherton, Ont., a resident of that town for forty years. No person in the town and country side around is perhaps better known than this lady, and none more highly esteemed. Three years ago it was her sad lot to lose a daughter who had been all the world to her. The shock sustained by this event completely broke up the system of Mrs. Dinwoody. She appeared her end had come. She doctored for one year with three doctors, and they gave her case up, saying that it

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