

HARDWARE

Gingle, gingle all the day, oh, what fun it is to ride in an open sleigh

We are well stocked with Sleigh Bells, Body Strings from \$1.00 to \$5.00. Half Strings from 25c to \$2.50. Shalt Gongs from 25c to \$2. Saddle Gongs \$3. Open Bells 10c to 60c.

We can satisfy nearly every person wanting to purchase a Hand Sleigh. Ranging in price from 40c to \$3.

Do not allow your horse to get chilled when you can purchase a Horse Blanket so cheap. See our variety, from 50c to \$5.00.

In Robes we will give you quality as well as quantity. Galt Robes from \$6.50 to \$8.50. Buffalo Robes as high as \$100.00.

A few Fur Coats in stock at \$20 to \$25.

Mitts and Gloves in abundance.

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THE WORLD OF THE DIVER.

His One Great Danger Lies in His Utter Helplessness.

Every surrounding, every condition, almost every detail of the submarine diver's work is as if invented by the romancist for a setting to a weird, uncanny tale.

The one great danger to the submarine diver lies in his utter helplessness. No matter how or where he turns in his marvelous world, where even the very laws of nature seem turned topsy turvy, he is handicapped with odds against the life within him. Groping in the murk of the pitchy darkness of a river bottom or croning on the sands in the green gray twilight of an ocean bed, he works alone, a monster headed, awkward, hideous creature, squeezed as if in a vise by the tons upon tons of water surrounding him and clad in a cumbersome, unwieldy armor, stiff as sole leather, which often proves his casket.

From the instant the helmet is screwed down and the "helper" grasps the life line and lowers the diver hand over hand, the "click, click, click," of the pumps bringing fresh air and the hiss of the escape valve carrying away the "used up" air, sound in the diver's ears. The "click, click, click," becomes part of his subconscious self. He is listening for it always, ever; not a "click" escapes him. He starts violently at the slightest irregularity of the sound. He listens for it so intently that to save his soul he cannot count correctly 100 bricks into a bucket, taking them one at a time.—A. W. Rollier in Appleton's.

A Lucky Escape.

During the Spanish war, while the battleships were on blockade at Santiago, it was customary to load the six pounder guns every evening to protect against possible torpedo boat attack. While the triggers were being eased down one of the guns on the Massachusetts was accidentally discharged, the shot passing over the quarter deck of the Texas, which was lying next in the blockading line. All the officers of the Texas were on deck smoking and talking when the shot passed a few feet above their heads. Almost before it struck the water a signal was started on the Texas from its commanding officer, Captain Jack Phillips, to the commanding officer of the Massachusetts. The signal was, "Good line, but a trifle high."

A Quaint Inn Sign.

At Boxted, in Essex, England, there is a beer house with the strange sign of the Whig and Fidget. Inquiry elicited the fact that the house was built many years ago by a man who was a Whig in his political opinions. His neighbors also regarded him as a "fidgety" man; hence when the house was opened the people of the parish, having regard to its owner's peculiarities, named it the Whig and Fidget, otherwise the Fidgety Whig.

THE FRENCH HUSBAND.

Always, as a Rule, Anxious to Do the Agreeable Thing.

The French husband has a faculty that amounts almost to a genius for bestowing the delicate attentions which cost little except the exercise of a modicum of tact and thoughtfulness, but which carry joy to every true woman's heart. He not only thinks to take home to her often (in the absence of the means to make a larger offering) a ten cent bunch of violets, pinks or roses from the flower market or the itinerant flower vender's barrow on his route, but he presents them gallantly with the compliment and the caress the occasion calls for, and this makes them confer a pleasure out of all proportion to their intrinsic worth.

He remembers her birthday or fete day with a potted plant, a bit of game, a box of bonbons, a cake from the pastry cook's or a bottle of good wine. He is marvelously fertile in expedients for making the time pass quickly and agreeably for her. He has a thousand amusing and successful devices for helping her to renew her youth. He projects unique and joyous Sunday and holiday excursions. He improvises dainty little banquets. He is a past master especially in the art of conjuring up amiable mysteries and preparing charming little surprises. And in all these trivial enterprises he vindicates the old French theory that true courtesy consists in taking a certain amount of pains to so order our words and our manners that others "be content with us and with themselves."

The American husband is particularly solicitous to do the proper thing; the French husband to do the agreeable thing—Independent.

WATER IN TURKEY.

Must Meet Many Conditions to Be a Perfect Beverage.

"Turks are extremely particular," writes a traveler, "in regard to the quality of the water they drink and are willing to be at much trouble and expense to obtain water of the kind they prefer. To be a perfect beverage water must issue from a rock, fall from a height, be of medium temperature, flow rapidly and copiously, taste sweet, spring in high and lonely ground and run from south to north or from east to west. The excellence of any water is accordingly determined by the number of these conditions it fulfills. It is remarkable how much pleasure Turks find in visiting a famous spring in the country, to spend the whole day beside it under the shade of trees, doing little else than drink carafe after carafe of the water as the elixir of life. Resorts of this description abound on the shores and in the valleys of the upper Bosphorus under such names as the Water of Life, the Silver Water, the Water Under the Chestnut Tree, the Water Beside the Hazels. The spectacle of the great gatherings there on Fridays, arrayed in bridal colors, seated tier above tier on the terraced platforms built against the green slope of the hill, the women above, the men below, all in the deep shade of the branches meeting overhead, forms a picture beyond a painter's power to reproduce.

Hot Drinks For Thirst.

It is a mistake to suppose that cold drinks are necessary to relieve thirst. Very cold drinks, as a rule, increase the feverish condition of the mouth and stomach and so create thirst. Experience shows it to be a fact that hot drinks relieve the thirst and cool off the body when it is in an abnormally heated condition better than ice cold drinks. It is far better and safer to avoid the use of drinks below 60 degrees. In fact, a higher temperature is to be preferred, and those who are much troubled with thirst will do well to try the advantages to be derived from hot drinks instead of cold fluids, to which they have been accustomed. Hot drinks also have the advantage of aiding digestion instead of causing debility of the stomach and bowels.

The Harshness of Orators.

American political orators are often charged with being unduly harsh to the other side. The following extract from a speech of the late Earl of Shaftesbury, published in his memoirs, shows that if our stump speakers exhibit harshness they come honestly by it. The noble earl thus described and prophesied: "When Gladstone runs down a steep place, his immense majority, like the pigs in Scripture, but hoping for a better issue, will go with him, roaring in grunts of exultation."

Noah's Advantage.

Mrs. Noah was complaining that her clothes looked as if they had come out of the ark. "On the contrary," returned her spouse, "they have just come across the water." Herewith he congratulated himself on the cheapness of imported gowns.

As the Boy Saw It.

As an Englishman tells the story of a boy who saw an exceedingly bowlegged man standing in front of a hot fire. Finally he could restrain himself no longer and said, "Hey, mister, you'd better get away from there; you're warpin'."

Poltiness.

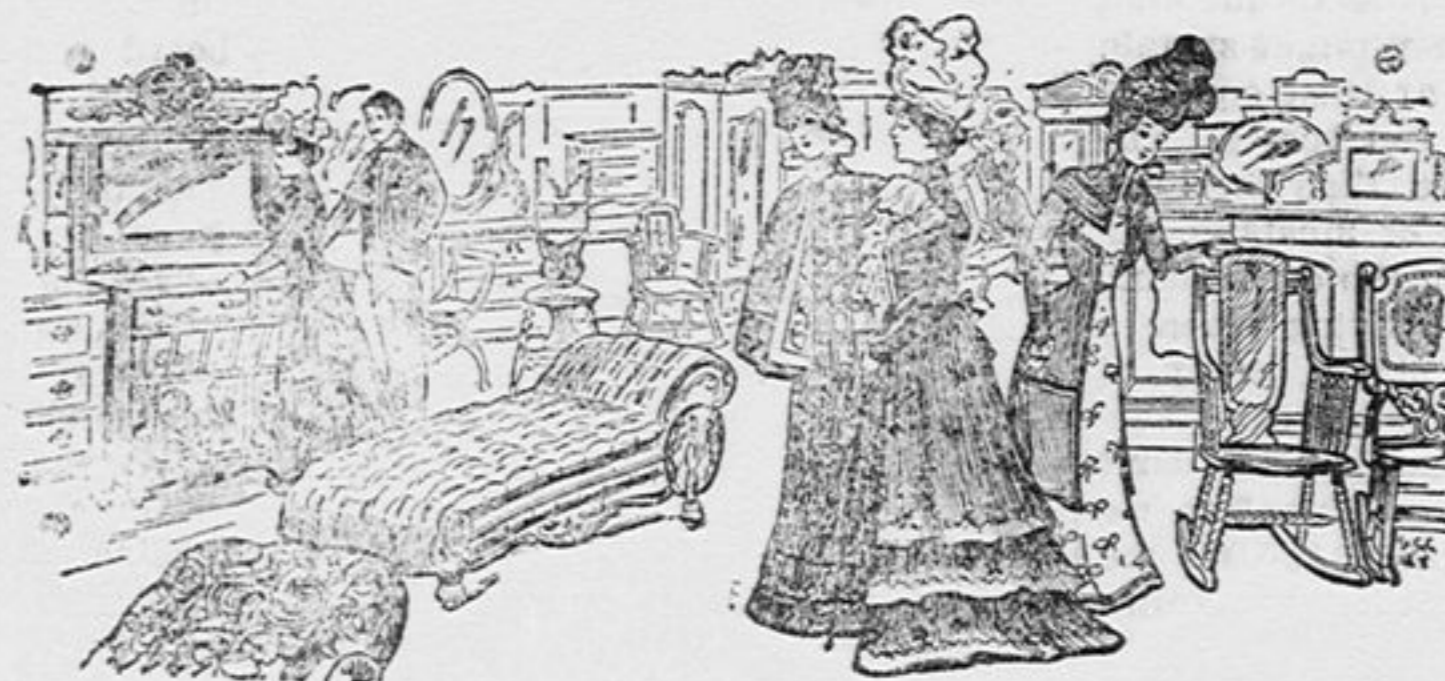
The greatest thing in the world is poltiness. And no schooling is necessary to be agreeable. Simply have a little consideration for others and be quiet and modest.

There is no virtue in the Sunday that makes children say, "I wish it was Monday."

CHRISTMAS Furniture Sale

Having bought out the entire stock of furniture in the store of the Durham Furniture Company, for the next thirty days we will conduct a big sale of furniture at special prices.

Our stock is composed of the very latest and newest designs from the best manufactures in Canada, including



Parlor Suites, Dining Room Sets, Bed Room Suites, Iron Beds, Hall Racks, Easy Chairs, Rocking Chairs, Lounges, Couches, Music Cabinets, Writing Desks, Springs, Mattresses, Pictures and Picture Frames.

Big Reductions in Parlor Suites

- 1 Parlor Suite, reg. 24.00, clearing at..... **18.75**
- 1 Parlor Suite, reg. 26.00, clearing at..... **21.00**
- 1 Parlor Suite, reg. 30.00, clearing at..... **24.00**

Special Prices on Couches

- \$6.25 Couches, sale price, **5.50**
- 9.00 Couches, sale price, **8.25**
- 11.00 Couches, sale price, **9.50**

A Clearing in Morris Chairs

- 3 only Morris Chairs, reg. 7.00, each..... **5.75**
- 2 only Morris Chairs, reg. 6.00, each..... **5.25**

2.00 Arm Chairs for 1.25

- 10 Golden finished Maple Arm Chairs that were sold at 2.00 each, now..... **1.25**

Bargains in Rocking Chairs

- \$1.25 Rocking Chairs at **1.05**
- 1.75 Rocking Chairs at **1.40**
- 1.85 Rocking Chairs at **1.55**

Carpets at Cost Prices

We will sell the balance of our stock of carpets at cost and less than cost.

Pillows

We have just received a large stock of Pillows to sell from **\$1.50 to \$2.50 Per Pair**

Blinds

See the big stock of Roller Blinds we are showing from **35c to 85c Each**

Undertaking and Embalming a Specialty.

ED. KRESS

DURHAM'S FURNITURE STORE

Constipation

Baked sweet apples, with some people, bring prompt relief for Constipation. With others, coarse all-wheat bread will have the same effect. Nature undoubtedly has a vegetable remedy to relieve every ailment known to man, if physicians can but find Nature's way to health. And this is strikingly true with regard to Constipation.

The bark of a certain tree in California—Cascara Sagrada—offers a most excellent aid to this end. But, combined with Egyptian Senna, Slippery Elm Bark, Solid Extract of Prunes, etc., this same Cascara bark is given its greatest possible power to correct constipation. A toothsome Candy Tablet, called Lax-ets, is now made at the Dr. Shoop Laboratories, from this ingenious and most effective prescription. Its effect on Constipation, Bloating, Sour Stomach, Bad Breath, Sallow Complexion, etc., is indeed prompt and satisfying.

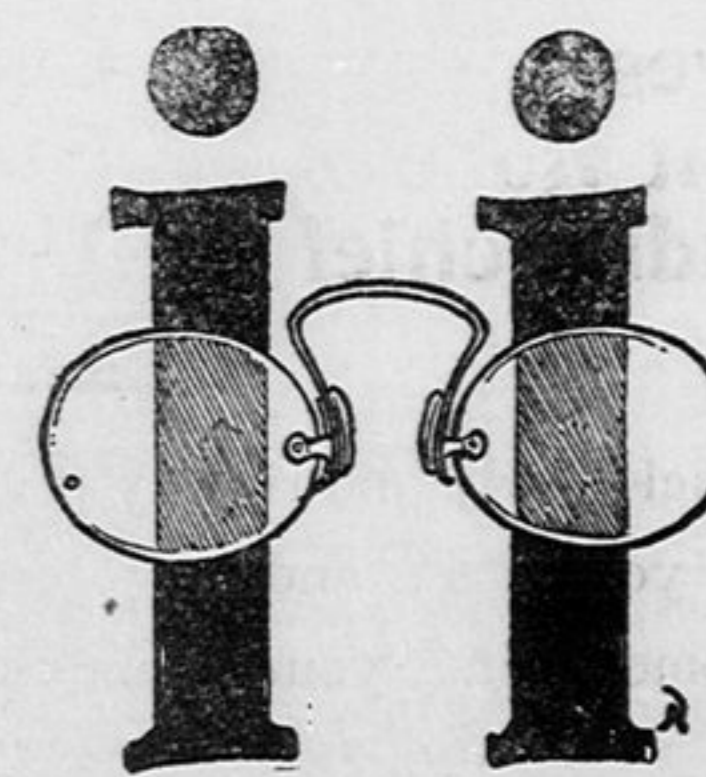
No griping, no unpleasant after effects are experienced, and Lax-ets are put up in beautiful lithographed metal boxes at 5 cents and 25 cents per box.

For something new, nice, economical and effective, try a box of

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Will You Accept a Little Advice?

CHRISTMAS

IS FAST APPROACHING

It is our duty to inform you that you can be best suited by selecting your needs for gift-making at an early date. Act upon our timely advice. Come in and see our large range of fancy and attractive articles in every line. We can't describe the usefulness and attractive points of each article, but in order that your eye might light on the appropriate gift, we mention the following.

Ladies' Necessities

- Fancy Collars and Ties from..... 25c to \$2.00
- Lace Beleros..... \$3.50 and \$5.00
- Silk Shawls..... \$3.75
- Embroidered Handkerchiefs..... 15c to 50c
- Wrist Bags..... 75c to \$2.50
- House Slippers and Slipper Soles.....
- Belts..... 35c to \$1.50
- Silk Handkerchiefs..... 25c to \$1.25
- Cushion Tops, Tenniferif Doyleys, Table Mats, Centrepieces
- Neck Furs from..... \$1.25 to \$35.00

Gent's Necessities

- Kid Gloves, Woollen Gloves and Mitts.....
- Fancy Neck Scarfs.....
- Latest Ties from..... 15c to \$1.00
- Hand Bags from..... \$2.25 to \$6.00
- Suit Case from..... \$2.25 to \$5.75
- Fancy Slippers..... 90c to \$2.25
- Souvenir Handkerchiefs.....
- Fancy Hose.....
- Collars and Cuffs.....
- Fancy Shirts.....
- Choice Underwear.....

For the general gift-buyer of goods suitable for a home, we have everything that is useful around the house from kitchen to garret.

See Display of Choicest Cutlery

We have not forgotten the children but we have such loads of things that are needed for them that they are too numerous to mention. Call and make your selection. We can keep it for you so that you will not need to overtax your brain the day before Christmas.

We want all the Dry Picked Fowl we can get between now and Xmas. Highest price paid.

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