

The Christmas DOLLY

The mission of the modern doll is to educate, not to please; or, at least, it must combine educational qualities with attractiveness. Some of the "character dolls," as they are called, are very interesting and are instructive to grownups as well as the small people. Not only are their garments faithful copies of the costumes of the folk they are supposed to represent, but their physical attributes—their hair, eyes, features and coloring carry out the character idea.

There are German Gretchen with flaxen braids, Dutch kiddies with bobbed off hair and wooden shoes; neat French peasants, Spanish señoritas, Russian dancers, Indian maids, Scotch lassies, pickaninnies and other representatives of various parts of the globe. There are even Eskimo babies with funny little dark faces peeping from furry hoods. The modern child learns her geography from her family of dolls—If her mother does the maternal duty and carries on the work of the originator of these playthings by arousing the child's interest in the various costumes and types and making her familiar with the lands from



A DAINTY BLONDE IN BLUE GINGHAM.

crowns of lovely, fluffy hair, which is arranged in modish puffs. The pins may be removed and down tumbles a mane of hair which may be rearranged in any preferred fashion, or braided in a long pigtail when dolly goes to bed. The dainty little ladies are dressed in true grownup fashion—and at the height of fashion, too. Scraps of silk, chiffon and lace make them charming gowns with hobbled skirts and draped tunics; another scrap of velvet goes into a dashing picture hat, trimmed with a feather squeezed out of the sofa pillow. A wisp of fur will give the effect of a luxurious boa, and a silk opera bag swinging from the arm will complete the effect of modishness. An endless variety of costumes may be made for these dolls, the idea being—as in real costumes for women these days, perfection of line and not careful sewing.

No little mother will be really content without one or two sturdy sons in her doll family. Boy dolls should be picturesquely dressed, and the two models pictured are always acceptable. The sailor laddie is dressed in white percale with a blue ribbon necktie and with a hat made of the percale with a Jack Tar band and streamers. Be sure and have the trousers sufficiently wide at the foot to give the picturesque nautical effect. The chubby

"little boy" doll may be dressed in linen, denim or mohair, the suit pictured being of dark gray mohair with white soutache trimmings. The hat is made of leather with a band of tri-colored ribbon. Of course, the boy doll wears a complete set of underclothing also—not gaily trimmed with embroidered frills like the girl dolly's lingerie, but including the small union suit (cut from an old one of father's) and a



A REAL PARISIAN BEAUTY.

sturdy buttoned waist to which the trousers are attached.

Two very attractive dolls of the conventional doll type are pictured, and when all is said and done, these stereotyped babies seem to appeal most strongly to the heart of the little girl. One of these dolls is a very stunning French beauty, which emits a staccato "papa" and "mamma" upon the manipulation of a hidden ribbon. Her frock is made of lawn and embroidered beading, through which blue ribbons are run, and she wears a chic hat of dotted net and lace also trimmed with pink.

The other dolly is an entrancing blonde, whose blue gingham frock sets off her loveliness to perfection. She wears blue silk socks and blue kid slippers, and her hat of allover emerald with the trousers sufficiently wide at the foot to give the picturesque nautical effect. The chubby



A JOLLY JACK TAR IN NAUTICAL TOGS.

which the interesting doll-people are supposed to hail.

Most interesting of all the "character" dolls is the human looking little "real baby" doll with its puckered up face—not waxen pretty like the face of the conventional doll baby, but having the puckered up rose-leaf effect of the really, truly baby. Some of these dolls are represented as crying in a very realistic manner, but these are not as pretty, or as dear to childish hearts as the smiling babies—and, after all, who would voluntarily select a bewil-



EVERY LITTLE MOTHER WANTS ONE BOY-DOLL.

ing infant if one had the choice when there were lovable, smiling, cuddly ones to be had? A delightful, smiling character baby doll is illustrated and the chubby, open-mouthed little face is very like that of a sturdy, happy live baby of eight or ten months old.

The character baby is not dressed, as was the baby doll of yore, in trailing petticoats loaded with lace. It wears modern, hygienic baby clothes, including petticoats provided with shoulder straps, a plaining blanket and a fine, simple slip of nainsook, garnished with a very little dainty embroidery. Real wicker bassinets, hamper and other belongings of the nursery are provided for the doll's luxurious comfort, and the little mother has all the fun of tending a real baby with none of the drawbacks.

The "hobble-skirt" dolls, as they are popularly called, are much beloved by their little owners, for it is such rare fun to tog out these wee ladies in the very latest fashion and to arrange their coiffures according to the mode. These dolls are not more than ten inches high, and instead of having childish heads and chubby bodies they are proportioned like tall, slender women, the pretty head having a

Coming Social Queens



MRS. OLLIE JAMES (AT THE LEFT), MRS. OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD (TOP RIGHT), AND MRS. CHAMP CLARK.

Among the leaders of Washington society during the next two years will be three southern women whose husbands will exert a dominating influence in congress during that time. Mrs. Ollie James, wife of the Kentucky senator, is a native born Kentuckian, and went to Washington a bride soon after her husband first took a seat in

the lower house almost ten years ago. Mrs. Oscar W. Underwood, wife of the democratic floor leader, is a charming hostess, and has spent many seasons at the national capital. Mrs. Champ Clark has long been popular in Washington society. Her husband will doubtless be re-elected speaker of the house of representatives.

MAKING A HABIT OF OBEDIENCE.

A wise little mother whose gentle requests are met with instant and cheery obedience on the part of her boys and girls was congratulated the other day on the sunny dispositions of her family. "I'll tell you the secret," laughed she merrily. "They are no more nor less unselfish and tractable than other growing boys and girls, but I keep them obedient by constant practice. Every day I make

a point of requesting some little service of every one of them—it may be the posting of a letter; it may be running upstairs for my glasses; or coming from an interesting book to hook my frock at the back—but whatever it is, I insist that the little service to mother shall be rendered willingly and even as a matter of course. It takes a little thought sometimes to ask something each day of every one of the children, and not too much of any one—but it pays."

OVANDO RESIDENCE MINNIS SELLS OUT IS DESTROYED

FIRE STARTED BY CHILD COMPLETELY RAZES HIEMARK FAMILY HOME.

Ovando, Dec. 21.—(Special).—Ovando suffered another disastrous fire, which razed the old McNally residence to the ground. This was occupied by Mr. Hiemark and his family who are now the owners. Nothing in the burned building was saved. It is understood that one of the children played with matches and while the older occupants were out set fire to some wearing apparel and when the fire was discovered it was impossible for any to enter. Fortunately an extraordinary heavy wind from the west carried the flames away from the adjoining buildings, thus making it possible to save a great deal of other property. It is not known if the owner carried any insurance or not. Mrs. Hiemark and one of the children were slightly burned in an effort to re-enter after the first was discovered.

Mrs. C. A. Jakways and little daughter are visitors in Missoula this week.

S. R. Logan and William Hagstots of Arlee were business visitors in the valley this week. Both of them expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the outlook, and expect to return again in the spring with a view to making substantial investments.

Mrs. C. E. Goodwin returned home Monday after a lengthy visit to relatives in southeastern Montana.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Sears have returned from Michigan again to make Montana their home. While they have only been away for a year they seem only too glad to get back.

The William Kachel auction sale last week was a decided success from every viewpoint. S. L. Dyer acted as auctioneer and H. J. Faust as clerk and collector.

Harry Sharp, who last spring sold his splendid ranch to Smith & Cleveland, has returned from an exploration trip to Canada and says that he is glad to get back. He intends to remain here for the winter at least.

The announcement of a grand ball at the Town hall Christmas evening with Missoula music will no doubt draw the usual large crowd unless the weather conditions are too abnormal.

Joe Waldbillig and his homestead entry friends Southern and Diem, from the Swan river valley, were in Ovando this week buying their regular winter supplies.

Mrs. H. W. Cain visited "Grandma Dyer" for a couple of days this week. She was accompanied by her son, Edward, the well-known ex-Ovando-Helmville stage driver.

At an adjourned meeting the Modern Woodmen of America last Saturday night elected new officers for the ensuing year as follows: Robert Turrell, consul; Len Hammond, advisor; A. F. Macimore, banker; E. C. Johnson, escort; C. N. Bassett, secretary; Tom Norton, watchman; H. J. Faust, manager; Dr. S. P. Remick, medical adviser. A committee consisting of A. F. Macimore and H. J. Faust was appointed to act with the consul to cooperate with the Royal Neighbors of America in the matter of joint installation of their respective officers some time next month.

MINING STOCKS ENJOY PROSPEROUS SEASON

Wallace, Dec. 21.—(Special).—Some surprise and a great deal of gratification is expressed over the state of the mining stock market, which seems to have been stimulated rather than retarded by the election. Instead of a falling off in buying, such as is usually noted at the close of the year, there has been a greater activity and more orders have been received and executed by Wallace brokers than at any time in the past four years, taking the months of November and December for comparison. The leading firm of brokers, the James P. Howarth company, yesterday sold 42,000 shares of listed stocks on eastern orders, mainly from Illinois, Massachusetts and New York. It is said more stock has been sold in the past two months than for the three months preceding, and the flood of inquiries coming from all parts of the east warrants a belief that the present conditions will continue well into the coming year.

FINE POTATO CROP.

Kalispell, Dec. 21.—(Special).—D. O. Benson, a farmer living eight miles southeast of this city, has reported a remarkable potato yield to the chamber of commerce. Mr. Benson in figuring up his crop finds his land yielded 466 bushels of potatoes to the acre without irrigation the past season. The variety raised was the Green Mountain, a large, smooth, white potato and considered of the highest quality. Although many other prolific yields have been reported, Mr. Benson so far leads, and the results he obtained are regarded as very encouraging to the potato industry here.

INAUGURAL CHAIRMAN.

New York, Dec. 21.—William Corcoran Eustis of Washington was selected today chairman of the inaugural committee which will have charge of Woodrow Wilson's inauguration. He is a brother of the late Senator Eustis of Louisiana. The selection was announced by William E. McCombs, chairman of the democratic national committee.

You will find that druggists everywhere speak well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They know from long experience in the sale of it that in cases of coughs and colds it can always be depended upon, and that it is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

LIBBY MAN DISPOSES OF BUSINESS TO THE TRI-STATE CEDAR COMPANY.

Libby, Dec. 21.—(Special).—John McNinnis, who has been getting out cedar products on an extensive scale at Libby, has this week disposed of his holdings and business to the Tri-State Cedar company, extensive dealers in cedar products, operating in Montana, Washington and Idaho, according to reports. Mr. McNinnis has been operating on Parmenter creek, where he has two camps established, and has a good road constructed for a distance of about eight miles from Libby. He has contracted with the forest service for the cedar timber along the creek. The Tri-State company takes over all these holdings and will continue the business on a large scale in connection with its other operations. The company is also operating on Quartz creek on government timber and has purchased considerable cedar in this vicinity from private owners. Mr. McNinnis returned from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, where the deal was closed. He was accompanied by Neil Burrell, secretary of the Tri-State company, who will take over the business and equipment of his company.

FORESTER JUNGBERG MAKES REPORT

SAYS LEGISLATURE OF MONTANA SHOULD ENACT MORE STRINGENT FIRE LAWS.

Helena, Dec. 21.—(Special).—What have the people of Montana done through their legislative body to prevent losses by fire? asks State Forester C. W. Jungberg in his report to Governor Norris. "State losses on state and school lands alone amount to \$155,000 on 15,350 acres of merchantable timber, to say nothing of the loss of young stand, which it will cost on an average of \$15 per acre to re-grow. Nor does the loss end here. Large valuable watersheds have been destroyed by fire."

There are 19,805,700 acres of timber land in the state, according to the report, owned by the federal government, the state, and private concerns. The merchantable timber west of the continental divide is estimated at 50,000,000,000 feet; that on the east side is so small relatively, it has not been estimated.

Mr. Jungberg lays stress on the fact that the state of Montana and its timber holders will have no reason to feel safe concerning forest protection unless pressure is brought to bear on the next legislature to pass stringent fire laws.

According to the report, in 1911 there was a total of 161 forest fires, burning over 1283 acres, and destroying \$3,590,84 worth of timber. In 1912, 135 forest fires occurred, burning over 1091 acres and causing a loss of \$3,371.

Attention is called to the considerable number of trespassers on state timber lands. Sixty-three such cases have been discovered in the past two years, and settlements obtained in 44 cases, the aggregate amounting to \$2,761.35. Others are still under investigation.

A number of recommendations are made, calculated to benefit the timbering industry, one urging the passage of a law "that will meet general requirements of all forest land within the state and that will place the burden of tax on timber land holders."

ADVERTISED LETTERS

Letters remaining unclaimed in the Missoula postoffice for week ending December 21, 1912. One cent due for advertising.

Dell Burbank, Miss Frances Brooks, Lena M. Bray, Grover C. Brock (2), William D. Bordeaux.

George Chandler, F. J. Clark, Cruiser Crossley.

Tilly Dalien, Mrs. Mary Davis, Kattie Eldred, Thomas J. Egan.

Joe Ford, Maude Fountain, Etta Fountain, Mrs. Freeman.

James Gaudippe (2), Peter Gustas, F. C. Hendee, Paul Holla, G. W. Hassler, Art Homer, I. Huot.

Hazel Koyle, William Kerr.

Mrs. Long, H. L. Lindsay, Victor Lemon, H. S. Lamont.

Mrs. R. Roy Moffett, H. G. Miller, Fred Miller, H. R. Macguffey, Mrs. J. J. McCarthy, Gene McDonald.

Mrs. M. E. Nelson.

J. R. Pilley, J. R. Pulley, Arthur Phillips, Dolphin Parent.

Mrs. Charles Richards, Mrs. A. C. Reinecke.

August Schwimen, S. J. School, Mrs. Julia Shea, Smith & Burtride, G. H. Smith, Harry B. Smith, Nettie Stanger, James Snoddy.

J. A. Trow, Chester Thompson, Mrs. Mary E. Turrell, W. E. Turpin, J. A. White, Thomas Walton.

A. LOGAN, P. M.

WILLIAMS' KIDNEY PILLS

Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you pains in loins, side, back and bladder? Have you a flabby appearance of the face, and under the eyes? If so, Williams' Kidney Pills will cure you. For sale by all druggists. Price 50c. Williams Mfg. Co., Props., Cleveland, Ohio.

For sale by George Freilshelmer.—Adv.

MECHANICAL TOYS

THE GREAT CHRISTMAS STORE



Toyland's Wonders

To see the Missoula Mercantile Co.'s Toy Store is to see all of the world of toys! This is the most attractive Toy Store in Missoula—not only to the children, but to those who have to back up Santa Claus when the bills come in.

Customers tell us that it is the most economical place in town to buy toys.

Come Early Monday

Bring the children before the rush and let them have an opportunity to see and revel in Toyland's wonders.

LET THEM SEE the great display of MECHANICAL TOYS—electric trains, steam engines and attachments, the clown acrobat, the queer little animals that do funny antics. SEE the drums, horses, elephants, indoor and outdoor games. SEE the dolls, doll houses and furniture, toy pianos, kitchen outfits, dinner sets. SEE the toy soldiers, the Noah's arks, the woolly animals, babies' toys. We couldn't attempt to mention half of the wonderful things in this little world.

- Mechanical Trains, 60c to \$7.50.
- Musical Instruments, 5c to \$12.
- Mechanical Toys, 15c to \$6.00.
- Magic Lanterns and "Movies," \$1.00 to \$5.00.
- Play Horses, 15c to \$3.50.
- Electric Trains, \$2.00 to \$5.00.
- Toy Wagons, 10c to \$1.50.
- Toy Planes, \$4.00 to \$12.00.
- Drums, \$1.00 to \$3.50.
- Steam Engines, 75c to \$10.00.
- Engine Toys, 25c to \$12.50.
- Doll Trunks, \$1.25 to \$3.00.
- Doll Beds, 30c to \$4.00.
- Dishes, sets, 25c to \$7.00.
- Tin Kitchens, 40c to \$4.00.
- Noah's Arks, 25c to \$1.00.
- Dynamolites, 75c to \$1.50.
- Meeano Sets, \$1.25 to \$12.50.
- Tool Chests, 35c to \$10.00.
- Friction Toys, 50c to \$1.50.
- Airships and Aerials, 25c to \$1.50.
- Tin and Lead Soldiers, 5c to \$7.
- Magic Lanterns and "Movies," \$1.00 to \$5.00.
- Extra Lantern Slides, dozen, 30c.
- Extra Films for "Movies," 3 for 50c.
- Tops, jumping and musical, 5c to \$1.50.
- Shooting Galleries, 15c to \$1.25.
- Woolly Animals, etc., 15c up.
- Games and Blocks, 5c to \$3.00.
- Toy and Story Books, 5c to \$1.25.
- Linen and Soft Muslin Books, 5c to 50c.
- Dolls, dressed and undressed, 25c to \$25.
- Toy Stoves and Ranges, \$1.50 to \$6.00.

Tree Ornaments

Ornaments of every description—each, 5c. Tinset, gold and silver—card, 15c to 50c. Star Spangled Sparklers—Box, 5c.

And in the Hardware Dept.

King Air Rifles

What boy does not want one of these for Christmas? A gift that develops accuracy of eye and promotes health by encouraging outdoor exercise.

King Single-shot Air Rifles—95c.

King Repeating Air Rifles—\$1.25 and \$1.50.

Sleds and Coasters

Flexible Flyers, the sleds that steer, are safe and strong and save shoes; all sizes; prices from \$6.00 to \$25.00.

Firefly Coasters, made by the Flexible Flyer people; in four sizes, at \$3.25, \$2.50, \$2 and \$1.75. Boys' Coasters in wood and steel; some plainly painted, and handsomely decorated. Little ones for little chaps and big ones for older boys; all prices from \$3.50 to 50c.

Girls' sleds, wood and steel, high frame, plain and fancy; prices, \$3.25 to 45c.

Ice Skates

Most every boy and girl and little tot, and many grown folks, have SKATES written down on their list of Christmas wants, and usually the word is prefixed with M. M. C., because M. M. C. Skates are best.

Children's Double-runner Skates—50c.

Mens' and Boys' Skates—85c to \$4.00.

Mens' Hockey Skates—\$1.50 to \$3.50.

Mens' Acme Club Skates—\$4. Girls' and Women's Skates—\$1.00 to \$4.00.

Roller Skates

For children, plain and extension frame styles—50c and \$1.25.

Velocipedes

Are wanted by boys and girls not old enough for bicycles. Ours are built entirely of steel, are light running and strong and serviceable. In various sizes, with 14, 16, 20 and 25-inch front wheels.

With steel tires—\$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.75 and \$3.25.

With rubber tires—\$3.60, \$3.85, \$4.25 and \$5.00.

Express Wagons

Made with steel bodies, in seven sizes, from 9x13 inches, with six and nine inch wheels, to 15x30 inches, with 12 and 15-inch wheels—90c, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.25.

Star Coaster Wagons

The best and strongest wagons made for boys; wheels have roller bearings.

Body, 14x36 in.; 8-in. wheels—\$4.50.

Body 14x36 in.; 11-in. wheels—\$5.50.

Body 16x40 in.; 11-in. wheels—\$6.50.

Body 18x44 in.; 11-in. wheels—\$7.50.

Toy Wheelbarrows

Steel bodies and wheels; four sizes, 9x12 to 15x18 1/2, at 75c, 90c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.