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TRUE, we have many delightful things to show you for Christmas giving some that are merely beautiful, some that are really useful, and some that are both. Asked to name the most attractive and useful gift for the gentlewoman, we should be compelled to give precedence to CRANE'S LINEN LAWN—The Gift of Gifts. This fine stationery, in artistically decorated gift boxes, has all the virtues of the ideal gift—Beauty, Correctness, Usefulness—and it is always acceptable, even if duplicated.

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COAST WOMAN ARRESTED FOR STEALING BABY

Search Covering Western Half of United States Ends at Jamestown, N. D.

KIDNAPPED DAUGHTER OF GERMAN LIEUTENANT WOMAN DENIES CHARGE.

Jamestown, N. D., Dec. 16.—Mrs. Lulu Day, wanted in San Diego, Cal., for the alleged theft of \$2,500 worth of jewelry and for the alleged kidnapping of the infant child of Mrs. Lulu Wanda Schneider, widow of a German army lieutenant, declared today she knows nothing of Mrs. Schneider's baby, and she flatly denies the charge of larceny.

"I'll go back, if they come for me," Mrs. Day is quoted by an official. "I stand trial, too, and when I'm acquitted I'll bring suit for persecution. I don't know anything about Mrs. Schneider's baby."

Mrs. Day, wife of a Northern Pacific mechanic, came to Jamestown six months ago. Their child baby of 11 months doesn't answer the description of Mrs. Schneider's kidnapped infant, being younger by several months than the missing San Diego infant.

Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 16.—A search covering the western half of the United States and extending seven months came to an end this week when Mrs. Lulu Day, wanted for the alleged kidnapping of Lulu Wanda Schneider, infant daughter of a German army lieutenant who was killed in battle three days after the birth of the baby, and for the theft of \$2,500 worth of jewelry from the home of Richard S. Rogers in San Diego, was arrested at Jamestown, N. D.

A wire apprising him of the arrest was received by Chief of Police August Vollmer, but no mention was made of the Schneider baby.

The story told the police by Mrs. Anna Schneider, mother of the missing infant, on May 27 last, was that Mrs. Day, who had been living with Mrs. Schneider at 1929 Francisco street in the home of John Agee, an artist, took the baby for a visit to friends in San Jose two days previous to the report.

Mrs. Schneider returned home, she said, to find that Mrs. Day's trunk had been removed from the house. Becoming alarmed, she communicated with the families in San Jose at whose homes Mrs. Day was to visit, but they had not seen the missing woman.

Seeks Police Help. Mrs. Schneider in turn communicated with persons in San Diego, where she had been employed, following the death of her husband, in the same hotel with Mrs. Day, and in El Paso, a

the intruder, calmly announce "I will kill you."

Seized a moment later by another mood, Kelly, who had broken into the plant through a side door, declared he would let Holmstrom live to hold him as a witness. A moment later Holmstrom succeeded in making a dash for liberty.

Returning with three men, Holmstrom and his companions rushed at the madman, overpowered and disarmed him only after a fierce struggle. None was injured.

HERE FROM UNDERWOOD

O. A. Boyd and F. Moe of Underwood were arrivals in the city this morning and are making their headquarters at the Van Horn.

"I WILL KILL YOU" MADMAN TELLS LABORER

Wyndmere, N. D., Dec. 16.—Confronted by a madman armed with a knife and hammer, Arthur Holmstrom, night engineer in charge of the Wyndmere electric plant, was last night driven into a corner of the engine room, where he heard James Kelly,

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The Story-Teller of the Orient

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former home of Mrs. Day. No trace of the baby nor the woman could be found by the mother, so the police were called in.

On the day that Mrs. Day left Berkeley with Mrs. Schneider's baby the police had received a request from the San Diego police to arrest Mrs. Day and hold her for the theft of \$2,500 worth of jewelry from the Rogers home, and the quest took on an added interest when the charge of kidnapping was added by Mrs. Schneider.

Blackmailing Plot Charged. Mrs. Schneider, whom death had robbed of every living relative save the baby, grieved until she was prostrated over the loss of the little one and personally communicated, with every chief of police in the western states, who were also communicated with by the Berkeley police.

Mrs. Schneider held to the theory that Mrs. Day had stolen the baby for the purpose of blackmailing Ernest Leighton, an official of the Northern Pacific railway with offices in Seattle. The baby's mother told the police that Mrs. Day had used a "borrowed baby" for a similar purpose while living in El Paso several years ago.

BANKER JOHNSON IS IMPROVING SLOWLY, REPORT

"Mr. Johnson is improving slowly. His mind is clear and bright and he is almost out of danger."

The above bulletin was given out at the Bismarck hospital late this afternoon by Dr. Ramstad as to the condition of August E. Johnson, banker at Washburn, struck by an auto driven by Fred Kek of the Schultz garage in that village, last Thursday night.

by serious explosions a half-pint of gasoline will carry a seven-passenger automobile a mile, how far will a gallon of it carry the roof of a house? You can't afford to do your own cleaning or take any chances, for our workmanship, prices and services are cheaper than the risk you take.

SYNOPSIS "COMMON LAW"

The story of the screen version of Robert W. Chambers' widely read novel, "The Common Law," in which Clara Kimball Young will appear at the Auditorium theatre, on Wednesday and Thursday, December 21 and 22, is one that will appeal to every patron of motion pictures.

Valerie West, an educated and cultured girl, who has become an artist model through force of circumstance, falls in love with Neville, a painter, for whom she poses. Her love is returned, but, owing to the artist's social connections, Valerie is convinced that a marriage would ruin his career. She offers herself in love to the man of her heart and the day is set on

which she is to come to him under "the common law."

Through a chain of incidents of unusual dramatic power, Valerie conquers the objections of Neville's family and in the end the lovers find themselves free to be united in the safer and more conservative bonds of the law made by man.

The characters in the story are dis-

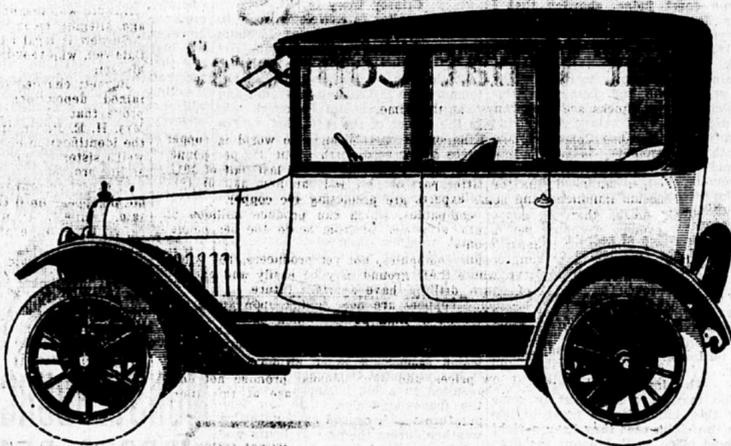
tant metropolitan types of unusual interest, and as produced by Director General Albert Capellani, the picture promises to be the sensation of the coming season.

ADVANCE AGENT HERE
J. V. McStea of New York City, advance agent for the "Civilization" company, which is coming to the Aud-

itorium the first and second of next month, is spending the day in Bismarck, attending to matters in connection with the appearance of the company. From Bismarck, Mr. McStea leaves for Jamestown and Valley City, where the company will play.

HAZELTON VISITORS.
Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Batzer of Hazelton are visitors in the city.

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