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To Prevent Christmas Fires

Superintendent C. G. Revelle of the state insurance department at Jefferson City has issued a set of rules for fire prevention during the Christmas time this year.

He says, "I hope every citizen of the United States and particularly of Missouri will make every effort to see that we have no fires this year from this cause. I feel certain we will have none if the following rules are adopted throughout the state.

Don't decorate Christmas trees with paper, cotton or other inflammable material.

Use only metallic tinsel or other noninflammable material and set the tree securely so that children in reaching for things cannot tip it over.

Don't use cotton for snow. If you must have snow, use asbestos fiber.

Don't permit children to light or relight candles when parents are not present; they frequently set fire to their clothing instead. The tree itself will burn like old when the needles have become dry.

Keep matches out of reach of children at holiday time; they like to experiment with them.

The light inflammable decorations in stores, churches and bazaars make fires easy to start and easy to spread. A match, a gas flame or any electrical defect may do it.

Laclede the Favored Spot

"Martial law for shivering Denver—Snow storm ends, but fuel famine close hostelry and office buildings—Railroad traffic suspended—Plows ineffective to clear track blocked by 42-inch blanket of snow."

As the above startling headlines were read in the daily papers last Saturday the people of Laclede were enjoying a most beautiful day and were out without overcoats or wraps. The sun was shining brightly, the lawns were as green as in springtime and the dandelions were in bloom. Truly this is a favored spot and those who leave Missouri to find a better place to live rarely ever succeed.

Taxes Are Due

Pay your taxes in December and avoid the penalty which will be added January 1, 1914. Office in new Benson Bank building.

J. B. Jones, Collector.

Xmas at the MODEL

Santa Claus has certainly been to our house. For we have the largest assortment of goods ever seen in Laclede and the prices so ridiculously low it looks like we had found them, but we never, we bought them, but at a price so low everybody will wonder how we did it. So if you will come to the Model for your Xmas presents we will give you the benefit of now until the holi-



Our Bargains. From days are over you gains at the Model seen before. We goodies for the chil-candy, chums, all oranges, large and figs, popcorn, cranberries, celery, oysters to fry and oysters to stew. Leave your order and we will have turkeys too.

will find such bar-as you have never have all kinds of dren such as Xmas kinds of nuts, small, bananas,

In the furniture department we have many new things suitable for Xmas presents, such as rocking and dining chairs, library tables, kitchen cabinets, dressers, dining tables, book cases, brass and Vernis Martin beds, small and room sized rugs. Our new patterns in rugs are the most popular, come and see. And if you care to see something that is really beautiful, it will pay you to come and take a look at the dish display whether you wish to buy or not.

Don't fail to visit our hardware department, for there you will find many suitable articles for presents. Our line of silverware is very complete and nothing is more appropriate for substantial Xmas gifts than a nice piece of silverware.

We want to buy your poultry and all kind of produce, will pay you top prices in cash. Call No. 7 for prices before you buy or sell.

Yours for business,

J.B. PATRICK

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—OF—

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Monday, Dec. 22

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Umbrellas	Head Scarfs	Hand Bags	Lace Collars
Jabots	Bar Pins	Mesh Bags	Silk Hose
	Gents sets in Fancy Boxes	Handkerchiefs in Fancy Boxes	
	Silk Scarfs in Holiday Boxes		

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"Clean Up the Bowels and Keep Them Clean"

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"Clean up the bowels and keep them clean" is the advice of all physicians, because they realize the danger resulting from habitual constipation. Do not delay too long, but begin proper curative measures.

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