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Most Acceptable Holiday Gifts.

The bewildering proposition of Holiday Remembrance is very much simplified in such a store as ours. Here are some suggestions that you will find make most acceptable presents for all.

Fancy Holiday Slippers	Felt Shoes	Leggins
Patent Leather Shoes	Rubber Boots	Moccasins
Fur trimmed Slippers	Baby Shoes	Overshoes
Warm Lined Shoes	H. top Boots	Pumps

Make your selections now. Stocks are more complete.

KARSCH'S,

FARMINGTON.

FLAT RIVER.

TOWN AND VICINAGE

Shells at Klein's. Cranberries at Hoys. Use our 20c coffee—Klein's. Fancy Gano apples at Klein's. Country Sorghum at Fischer's. New Orleans molasses at Klein's. Mrs. J. B. Highley has been visiting Ste Genevieve friends. Mr. Thos. P. Settle of Bonne Terre, was in town on business today. Miss Pearl Chardy has returned from a visit to her aunt in Mississippi. Mr. L. P. Perret of Hazel Run was transacting business in Farmington Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Vance spent Thanksgiving with their daughter, Mrs. Harry Thomure, at Bonne Terre. Miss Robbie Pipkin has returned to the Normal at Cape Girardeau after spending the Thanksgiving holiday at home. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tetley and Mrs. Koen came over from Flat River Thanksgiving Day to spend it with relatives here. Mrs. M. P. Cayce went to St. Louis Monday, and has returned with Miss Beeson, who has been visiting friends there for several weeks. Mrs. Wm. S. Miller and Miss Nettie Rudy went to Festus Monday to attend the funeral of a relative, and Miss Nettie went on to St. Louis. At a special term of the County Court last Monday, Charles Graves, a poor person, was adjudged insane and sent to State Hospital No. 4. Drs. Robinson and Branning were the examining physicians. Mrs. E. A. Rozler accompanied her daughter, Miss Lavinia Rozler, and Miss Mildred Elliott, back to St. Louis to the Sacred Heart Convent last Friday and spent several days in the city.



Don't forget to be photographed immediately after this interesting occasion.

And don't forget to have the photographs taken by

THE **Berryhill Studio,** Farmington, Mo.

Rev. F. Klug announces English services at the Lutheran Church next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Subject—"Christ Coming to Judgment."

A party of hunters left Wednesday for the hunting grounds in Southeast Missouri. Barney Polty, Barney Bine, Bryan Forster and Rob. Boswell, with two negro helpers, composed the crowd.

The Christian Women's Board of Missions will conduct the services at the Christian Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, the first Sunday in December being observed wherever there is a C. W. B. M. organization as the anniversary of this band of Christian women. Everybody is invited to attend the services next Sunday. An offering will be taken for home missions.

Mr. A. H. Baker of Hoxington, Kansas, who has been spending the past week here with his brother, Mr. G. N. Baker, his sister, Mrs. Mary Phillips, and other relatives, made an interesting talk at Independence school house last Sunday in which he dealt at some length with the question of temperance and prohibition. Along this line, he said if those people who said that "prohibition didn't prohibit" would come to Kansas they would find out their mistake. Mr. Baker is in the real estate business, and thinks Kansas the best country on earth.

Rev. R. T. Milnes, one of the District Superintendents of the Children's Home Society of Missouri, spent several days here this week in the interest of destitute and neglected children. This Society is doing a great charitable work. It is not an orphanage, in the common acceptance of that term, but is doing a rescue work of destitute and neglected children, receiving them into legal guardianship, caring for and preparing them to be placed in approved families, and keeping them under observation until maturity. It is non-sectarian, humane and philanthropic in character, and considers only applications of moral, church-going people who come well recommended, in their application for children to be placed in their families. Its work has been a god send to hundreds of destitute and neglected children.

SAYS APPLES WILL BE CHEAP.

"You will see apples selling in Kirksville at fifteen cents a bushel next February," says R. M. Miller, an apple buyer. Mr. Miller says there are 1,500,000 bushels of apples in the country this year, and that not half of them are being marketed now. He has shipped many cars already and filled a large cold storage house, but the market is becoming slow now. "I tried to rent several cellars from citizens of Kirksville," he continued, "and I found every one filled with apples. Nearly all the retired farmers have hoarded all the apples they raised and all that they can buy and are holding them for the midwinter priors."

A Dunklin county farmer, who had a big tract of land in cotton, cleared \$22 on each acre. It was an unusually good cotton year, and big crops are reported in the lower part of the state.

Pauline Woods, a little four year old girl who lives near Patterson, was burned to death on the 19th ult. She had been left alone in a room and it is supposed she played with fire which got her dress on fire.

New pan-cake and buckwheat flour at Fischer Mercantile Co.'s.

"BLACK HAND" LETTERS

Several People of Farmington Receive Blackmailing Missives and Demands for Money.

JOHN SPURGEON IN THE TOILS.

On the 10th and 12th of November Mr. E. M. Laakman, Mr. John Caldwell, Judge W. F. Doss and Mrs. AuBuenon received through the Farmington Post Office a letter each of a blackmailing character and a demand for money to be left at a certain place on penalty of dire calamity to themselves and property if the demands were not forthwith complied with. A package was placed at the designated spot by one of the parties, and the places watched, but no one turned up to get it. The matter was then placed in the hands of Prosecuting Attorney Boyer and Sheriff London, and close watch was kept on the Post Office.

The Postmaster and deputies were apprised of what was going on, and one night a letter was dropped in the letter box from the outside. Deputy Gleissing picked it up, saw that the address was pencil-printed in the same manner as the letters were that were received by the parties named above. He at once gave the signal to the officers watching on the outside by turning off the lights. Deputy Sheriff Snaefor from the opposite side of the street saw a young man drop a letter in the box just at that time and walk off, and recognized him as John Spurgeon, who is about 20 or 21 years of age. Young Spurgeon was subsequently arrested, and in his preliminary examination before Squire Zolman last Tuesday was held in the sum of \$1,000 to await the action of the grand jury. He gave bond for his appearance.

The Post Office authorities are also to take the matter up, and if the evidence is strong enough to convict young Spurgeon it may go hard with him, as the Federal Government is not in the habit of showing much leniency in such cases.

Young Spurgeon's father is a farmer, and his parents are people of good reputation. The young man himself has been working off and on for Mr. R. P. Taylor, but has spent a good deal of his time on the streets with other young men; he dressed well and presented a prosperous appearance.

CONGRESSMAN ELVINS TELLS OF TRIP TO HAWAII.

We give the readers of The Times this week in supplement form a very interesting account by Congressman Polite Elvins of his visit to the Hawaiian Islands with a party of other Congressmen and ladies, as guests of the Hawaiian Delegate in Congress. Our readers will find much in it to interest them, of the geography of the group of islands, government, population, climate, vegetation, people, industries, products, etc.

NOTICE TO ODD FELLOWS.

Next Saturday night is the regular meeting for the election of officers of St. Francois Lodge No. 48, I. O. O. F., and all members are requested to be present.

Saturday night, December 18, has been named by the Grand Master as the "Big Night" for Odd Fellowship all over the State. Every lodge in the State is urged to meet on that night for roll call, the initiation of new members, and a good social time. Dr. C. A. Tetley, H. M. Dalton and John Doughty have been appointed a committee of St. Francois Lodge to devise plans for the observance of the Big Night here, and report to the lodge Saturday night, December 18th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

There will be a Sunday School Institute at Union Baptist Church, in Ste. Genevieve county, beginning on Friday night, December 10th, continuing with an all-day session on Saturday, the 11th. A good program has been provided. Dinner will be served on the ground Saturday. All who are interested in Sunday School work are invited to attend. S. P. BURLE, Chairman of Committee.

LECTURE.

Miss S. V. Beeson will lecture under the auspices of the Mothers' Club of Elmwood Seminary, on Friday, December 10th, at 3:45 p. m. Subject: "Life and Its Living." All interested in this subject will be welcome and are urged to attend.

Some young people of Bloomfield went out to Current river on the 21st ult., and while two of them, Miss Nellie Bridge and Frank Toole, were standing on a log, it turned over throwing them into the water. They were both drowned before help could be given them, and their bodies were rescued late in the afternoon.

CHRISTMAS CANDY

WILL BE A LITTLE BETTER IF IT COMES FROM **McKINNEY'S.**

This is a candy store. We've all kinds of candies—from the mixed-candies, at 10c per pound, up to the finest chocolates and bonbons at a dollar a pound. McKinney quality in candy is known hereabouts, and you'll find, after the returns are all in, that whether you want five cents worth to eat yourself, or want enough to supply a whole Sunday school with a Christmas "treat," you'll get greater satisfaction and MORE FOR THE MONEY at McKinney's.

SPECIAL FINE BOX GOODS

For Christmas Presents are offered in greater variety than we've ever handled before. From half-pounds to five-pound boxes, plain and fancy, several different high-grade brands, including the kind we put McKinney's name on and guarantee to be the best there is at 40c a pound. Better choose YOURS early, while the "pickin'" is good.

Phone Double one Nine.

McKINNEY'S

"Always a Little Better."

Mrs. Tom Randolph is at the point of death from injuries received by being hooked by a cow that she had just milked. She had five ribs broken, and was internally injured.

A still with a capacity of 35 gallons per day was discovered in Ripley county last week by some revenue officers, and three men connected with it are under arrest. One of the men had only been married a few days, and was visiting friends in Poplar Bluff.

The best architects, painters and contractors of the country use Mound City "Horseshoe Brand House Paint" exclusively. City Drug Store.

Elbert Irwin, a coal dealer of Charleston went to the railroad yards to arrange for the delivering of some coal on the 20th ult., and in some manner stepped on the railroad track as an engine was backing and was almost instantly killed.

THE PROBLEM OF THE SEASON.

The Giving of Gifts and the Beautifying of the Home—A Suggestion.

It's always the same interesting though perplexing problem—always comes every December to everybody, for none are exempt. What shall I buy, what shall I give, what shall I do to make home more attractive, etc.? You know all about it, you are in a brown study along this line right now.

We are going to make a suggestion to the ladies, and there is an awful penalty attached to the reading of this by husbands. They will have to pay the bill, which after all won't be large, come to think of it, and we know they will be ever so glad to have the chance to pay. So then, suppose you surprise your "hubby" by having the parlor suit re-covered, or is it his favorite lounging chair which needs adorning? How would a handsome new cover look upon the library table? Would help make home more beautiful, wouldn't it? Certainly. And we have some surprisingly cheap and pretty lounge coverings, if you prefer them to leather, and the workmanship—why speak of this?—you know it will be most artistic and durable, of course.

And would you believe it, if you own a touring car or a buggy we have charcoal heaters to keep your feet warm as toast on cold days. And there is a combination laprobe of heavy plush with rubber lining, suitable for all kinds of bad weather, cold and rain proof, and a present worth while. Of course we have all kinds of robes, blankets, etc., as well, so don't forget these. The farmer and horseman will find everything needed to outfit his horses and stables in this stock, and even a horse appreciates Christmas if it brings new blankets and comfortable harness. Perhaps you want a new saddle, riding whip, or some old harness repaired and decorated. Yes "decorated," for that's the fad now for team harness—looks mighty nobby too, with all the new shiny ornaments. If you fix up the team so amazingly nice, you will want new buggy cushions, and the back rests re-covered. Want to look spick and span on Christmas and later on, don't you? Of course, so come in and let's talk it over right away, for December days are mighty short.

Dittrich's Saddlery Store,

Up-to-date Horse-Tailors and Outfitters at Right Prices.

FARMINGTON,

MISSOURI.

RELIGIOUS REVIVAL AT FRANKCLAY.

LEADWOOD, NOV. 30.

EDITOR TIMES: One of the greatest revivals this community has ever known closed Sunday night at Frankclay. The meetings run 25 days and resulted in 108 conversions, besides re-animations. A class of 40 members was organized by the Methodists, quite a number went to the Baptist, and some to the "Church of God." A Sunday School with nearly 60 on the roll was organized, besides some go to other schools. The writer had charge of the meeting, but most of the preaching was done by Mrs. Mary McMasters of the "State Holiness Association," who is a consecrated woman and an untiring worker for souls. Her preaching was plain gospel, and she does not hesitate to call sin by its right name. The converts were not "hold up your hand" or "sign a card indicating your church preference" converts, but were those who came to the altar and "prayed through."

The first two weeks of the meeting was held in a store building that we had rented, but the crowds became so great that we got a tent that was supposed to seat 500 people, and some times standing room was at a premium. The first two weeks of the meeting was on the site of the first saloon in Frankclay, and the man who ran it was happily converted in the meeting. The meeting took deep hold on the people right from the start. One man, a carpenter, went down in a shaft to do some repair work, and was gloriously saved 500 feet below the surface, and when he came to the meeting and told his experience and sang a song, the entire congregation seemed to be melted down. Another carpenter, who worked in the mill, came to the meeting at night and told it, and went to the mill next morning and shook hands with all he met and told them what the Lord had done for him.

People seemed to lose interest in everything but the meeting. It was the theme everywhere on the streets, in the stores, shops, mills and down under ground. Men would take their Testaments and songbooks down in the ground and when they had any spare time they would read and sing. Every one agrees that it was the greatest meeting ever held in this community. It was a typical "Old-time revival." The sounds of an organ was not heard in the meeting. We began a Revival meeting here

at Leadwood last night. We will be assisted by Rev. C. I. Hoy and Sister McMaster, and we are expecting great thing from the Lord.

J. N. SITTON.

HELD ON \$1,000 BOND EACH.

The preliminary examination of John Douthit, L. Alexander, Murphy and Sterling Alexander, charged with felonious assault made upon George Carver on Friday, November 19th, before Squire Zolman, resulted in the justice holding the three for the grand jury, their bonds being fixed at \$1,000 each, which they filled and were then discharged.

The State introduced the following colored women as witnesses: Belle Hunt, Susie Wilkins, Bessie Hunt, Bernice Hunt and Cornea Wilkins, and also Dr. C. R. Fleming, the physician first to see Carver. The whole evidence, summed up, is about this: That Carver was under the influence of liquor, more or less; that he attended the revival services at the colored Methodist Church; that he followed some of the colored women out south from the church; that he came back and followed Belle Hunt and Susie Wilkins to the corner near the Home Saloon; that these two married women then waited for the other colored single women and John Douthit and Sterling Alexander, nephews of the married women, to come up, whereupon the six went west on Columbia street to the Southern Methodist Church, where they again observed George Carver, as he ascended Antoine Murphy and Cornea Wilkins in front of Dr. Fleming's residence; Murphy pushed Carver away and off of the side walk. Some one then threw a rock, no one testified who did it, but John Douthit spoke to some one and asked him not to throw or hit Carver.

How One Doctor Successfully Treats Pneumonia.

"In treating pneumonia," says Dr. W. J. Smith, of Sanders, Ala., "the only remedy I use for the lungs is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. While, of course, I would treat other symptoms with different medicines, I have used this remedy many times in my medical practice and have yet failed to find a case where it has not controlled the trouble. I have used it myself, as has also my wife, for coughs and colds repeatedly, and I most willingly and cheerfully recommend it as superior to any other cough remedy to my knowledge." For sale by E. M. Laakman.