

STEER TRADE NOMINAL

NOT ENOUGH FAT CATTLE IN TODAY TO TEST MARKET VALUES.

SHE STUFF HOLDS FIRM

Calves and Bulls Clear at Steady Figures—Stockers and Feeders Unchanged at Thursday's Prices.

Only a few loads of cattle got in today and the beef steer quota was limited to a scattering of odds and ends. The market was nominal steady.

NO MARKET CHRISTMAS

The St. Joseph live stock market will be closed Christmas day, December 25, it being a legal holiday recognized by the live stock exchange at all of the leading markets.

LOCALS WIN FROM TARKIO

Platt's Business College team defeated the Tarkio college five, of Tarkio, Mo., in a fast played exciting game of basketball last night.

PLANS TO LASSO A GORILLA

"Buffalo" Jones returning to Africa to keep promise to Roosevelt. Dodge City, Kan., Dec. 19.—To fulfill a promise he made Col. Theodore Roosevelt two years ago.

HOGS SHOW AN UPTURN

LIGHT RUN PERMITS SELLERS TO FORCE A NICKEL ADVANCE.

BEST OFFERED SCORE \$7.30

Bulk of Sales Listed at \$7.05 to \$7.20—Extreme Lights Down to \$6.70—Pigs Rated Fully Steady.

Receipts of hogs were materially lighter today than a week ago and the market displayed fair activity with prices ruling a little higher all along the line.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, 1095-1098 New Corby-Forsce Building, St. Joseph, Mo.

LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS

Today's Receipts. Cattle, Hogs, Sheep.

MUTTON PRICES FIRM

SCANT WEEK-END SUPPLY FINDS READY CLEARANCE AT STEADY PRICES.

NOTHING GOOD OFFERED

Lambs Show 10 to 15c Loss for the Week—Sheep Steady—Best Lambs This Week at \$7.80.

STATE FARM PRODUCTS

EXPERT VALUES MISSOURI CROPS AND LIVE STOCK FOR 1912 AT \$750,000,000

FARMERS ARE PROSPEROUS

W. L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture, Compiles Annual Statement.

WHEAT

Dec. 85 1/2, Jan. 85 1/2, May 85 1/2. Corn, Dec. 32 1/2, Jan. 32 1/2, May 32 1/2.

OTHER LIVE STOCK MARKETS

CHICAGO, Union Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 20.—The Live Stock World reports: Cattle—Receipts, 2000. Market generally steady.

NEW RAILWAYS IN OKLA.

Great Activity in This Line is Predicted for Coming Year. Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 20.—That Oklahoma will build more miles of railroad during the next eighteen months than any other state is the statement of Col. A. P. Watson, member of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission.

ALASKA HAS UNIQUE PAPER

Fairbanks Publication Printed on Green Sheet in Yellow Ink. Seattle, Wash., Dec. 19.—A departure in newspaper printing is that of The Fairbanks (Alaska) Miner, a four-page home-printed sheet which is circulated largely in the interior mining region.

BULL TOSSES MAN IN AIR

Bridgroom of Few Weeks Has Encounter While Riding in Pasture. Ellenburg, Wash., Dec. 19.—Arthur Gunison, a bridegroom of only a few weeks, and an employe of the People's Meat Market, was seriously injured by an enraged bull near here.

WHEATHER FORECAST

For Missouri: Fair tonight and Saturday; somewhat colder tonight. Kansas and Nebraska: Fair tonight and Saturday; not much change in temperature.

ITEMS IN BRIEF

Carl Middleton, of Andrew county, Missouri, disposed of on yesterday's market 61 hogs, averaging 259 lbs., at \$7.25, the top of the trade.

CHAMPION MOLASSES FEED

Champion Molasses Feed, cattle like it, cattle feeders like it, because it makes them money. Try a few bags, Champion Feed Co., Tarkio, Mo.—Adv.

MOONEY BROS., OF RICHARDSON COUNTY

Nebraska, marketed a mixed shipment of stock here today. Demand was fair and early clearance was made of the scant fresh crop at steady prices compared with yesterday.

NEW WOODLAND HOTEL

3rd and Julie, formerly Metropolitan Annex. Rates to stockmen. Cars to door.—Adv.

GREAT FERTILIZER PLANT

Largest Plant of Its Kind Located in Argentina. Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 19.—One of the largest fertilizer factories in the south is located in Argentina, just across the river from Little Rock.

WHOLESALE BEEF PRICES

Following are today's wholesale prices for beef cuts as given out by Swift & Company: Dressed Beef, No. 2, 23c.

THEATRICAL AMUSEMENTS

At the Lyceum: Three days, starting Thursday night, "Hagenbeck-Wallace Spectacular Films," matinee Friday and Saturday, Sunday night, "The Gambler."

STOCKYARDS DAILY JOURNAL

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The St. Joseph Journal Publishing Co., Publishers.

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Special 20 per cent commission allowed postmasters, who are authorized to take subscriptions.

AN OBJECT LESSON TO SHIPPERS

Attention has so often been called to the foolishness of crowding cattle on to the Chicago market while western markets have hardly enough to go round that it would seem as if the country ought to understand and appreciate the situation by this time.

RULES FOR HANDLING EGGS

To Be Posted in Kansas and May Help Save \$5,000,000.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 19.—In an effort to reduce the \$5,000,000 loss in Kansas every year caused by the poor methods of producing and handling eggs, the Rock Island lines, through the office of A. E. Sweet, general manager in Topeka, will post in every station in the state, this month a list of rules to be read by farmers and chicken fanciers.

The rules published for the use of the Rock Island lines read: The loss to the farmers of the United States from bad methods of producing and handling eggs is estimated at \$5,000,000 annually.

It is also estimated that \$15,000,000 of this loss is due to blood rings. Every dollar of this loss from blood rings is directly preventable on the farm.

Blood rings are a certain stage of chick development in the egg. Heat develops the germ until it becomes a blood ring.

As Others See Us. He came into the car with swagger, took the only vacant seat with outward manifestations of his belief in his own importance.

THE POOREST OF ALL PEOPLE

Natives of the Arctic Who Have Enough to Eat Are Considered Very Fortunate.

I have not known so poor a winter during the whole of my stay among the Eskimos (now 22 years), says a writer in the Christian Herald.

An outsider has no idea of what poverty among the Eskimos means. At the best of times the wants of an Eskimo are few and his food consists of the coarsest of substances.

In China the famished inhabitants subsisted on roots or some inferior vegetation, but here the vegetable kingdom has nothing to offer.

THOSE WHO DO NOT THINK

Eskimos Believe It Is Not Necessary If They Have Enough Meat to Eat.

Where the physical struggle for life is at its keenest, as it is among the Eskimos, the years glide by free from the more subtle cares and worries of the civilized man.

Once I asked an Eskimo who seemed to be plunged in reflection, "What are you thinking about?" He laughed at my question, and said: "Oh, it is only you white men who go so much for thinking! Up here we only think of our flesh-pits, and whether we have enough for the long dark of the winter. If we have meat enough then there is no need to think. I have meat and to spare!"

On another occasion I asked an unusually intelligent Eskimo, Panipak, who had taken part in Peary's last north polar expedition.

"Tell me, what did you suppose was the object of all your exertions? What did you think when you saw the land disappear behind you and you found yourself out on the drifting ice-floes?"

"Think?" said Panipak, astonished. "I did not need to think. Peary did that!"

"Eating becomes the great thing with the Eskimos. I once excused myself, when paying a visit, with the plea that I had already eaten and had had enough. I was laughed at, and the answer I received was: 'There thou talkest like a dog! Dogs can be stuffed till they are satisfied and can eat no more; but people—people can always eat!'"

Art and Engineering. The close connection of the artistic and the mechanical instinct is shown again in recent developments in France.

Historic British Ship. One of the most interesting ships afloat is the Eagle, which lies in one of the docks of the River Mersey, England.

STATE FARM PRODUCTS

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Cooper, 520,085; Pettis, 538,725; Cass, 529,258; Henry, 643,989; Johnson, 567,739 and Grass Seed.—The preceding figures do not include the value of bluegrass, of which Missouri is said to have more than all the states north of her northern border or south of her southern border.

Prairie Hay—Prairie hay represents a value of \$1,499,791. The yield harvested from 142,730 acres totals 167,938 tons. Average yield per acre being slightly less than a ton.

Flax—The total yield from 19,153 acres is 71,971 bushels, valued at \$113,714.

Barley—Acreage, 729; yield, 29,412 bushels; value, \$12,368.

Clover seed—Acreage threshed, 14,834; yield, 29,799 bushels; value, \$264,409.

Timothy seed—Acreage threshed, 18,499; yield, 74,426; value, \$171,290.

Miscellaneous vegetables, \$7,225,999.

With yields of all crops aggregating more than 49,000,000 bushels and almost 2,000,000 tons more than in 1911, the value of Missouri field crops, owing to reduced prices, is practically the same as last year.

Plans are being made for an airplane flight from London to Karachi, India, a distance of about 4,500 miles.

The total number of cattle on farms in the United States has decreased 29 per cent in the last five years.

Morris & Company advertisement listing Supreme Hams, Supreme Bacon, Supreme Lard, etc.

Lightning Pileless Scales advertisement for new pattern solid channel steel frame.

Imported Stallions—Percheron, Shire, Belgian advertisement for Percheron Importing Co.

PRaise FOR FLY CATCHERS

Birds Do Much More Good Than Harm, Says United States Government Aid.

Washington, D. C.—"Fly catchers," the kingbirds, phoebes and other birds that prey on wasps, bees, ants, grass hoppers, caterpillars, flies, bugs and other insects, were given a clean bill of health as far as the farmer is concerned in a report issued by the department of agriculture.

World's Oldest Museum. The oldest museum in the world may be found in the city of Nara, the former capital of Japan.

Moving Pictures in the East. Japanese take the moving picture seriously. The favorite theme is the allegorical play that represents the warrior fighting for righteousness.

Bacon's House. Lovers of Bacon will be grieved to learn that his house at Gorbamby is falling to rack and ruin.

Modern magic. It is a wonderful thing to be able to command the voices of the greatest singers and the art of the most famous musicians.

Freeman's Cafe advertisement for 15th and Edmond, open all night.

Classified Business Directory advertisement for reliable professional men and business institutions.

Combe Printing Company advertisement for stationery, bank out-fitters, and lithographers.

Insurance advertisement for Laurence O. Weakley, Insurance.

Morris & Company advertisement for various meats and specialties.

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Townsend & Wyatt Dry Goods Co.

Store Open Till 9 p. m. Every Evening Until Christmas.

ONLY THREE SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS

Splendidly Equipped for the Final Rush

Every department in ship-shape for quick service. Much of the regular routine has been temporarily dispensed with. Numerous cash registers and increased wrapping facilities, the convenient arrangement of holiday merchandise, a large extra force of courteous and attentive salespeople, enlarged delivery service, etc., insure prompt and intelligent attention to your every want.



Handkerchiefs

The always acceptable gift. Daintiness and quality are distinguishing traits of the great Christmas stock of handkerchiefs at this store.

Women's Embroidered and Initial Handkerchiefs, on sale, each 12 1-2c to 50c.

Umbrellas

What more appropriate gift can you think of for man or woman than a nice umbrella? And where in all St. Joseph can you find such styles and values as here?

Women's Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$10.00

Men's Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$8.50

Silk Scarfs

The Townsend & Wyatt Silk Scarf Section is the Mecca of women looking for whatever is newest and best in this popular gift article.

Women's Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$10.00

Men's Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$8.50

December Clearing Sale Women's Trimmed Hats

Commencing this morning, the most astonishing reductions ever made on new and up-to-date styles.

About 100 Hats, \$1.95 About 100 Hats, \$3.95

Values Up to \$10.00 Values Up to \$15.00

This includes practically the balance of our stock of stylish trimmed hats. All the leading shapes and materials represented.

Gene Stratton Porter's Delightful Nature Story--

Freckles

Will be presented in play form at the Lyceum Theater, early in January.

READ THE BOOK

Before Seeing the Play

"Freckles" on Sale in Our Book Department

The proof is in the hearing. Victrolas \$10 to \$100.

Victrolas \$15 to \$200. Terms to suit your convenience.

We do not rebate railroad fares on Victrolas or other Victor instruments.

Also, by the same author, "The Girl of the Lumber Lost," and "Trail of the Lonesome Pine," by John Fox Jr., each, 50c.

Victor 50c

Stylish Four-in-Hands

A gift suitable for man or woman; made of genuine Cheney silks and knitted effects, immense variety of colorings and patterns, full length, choice \$50

Women's Hosiery

Pure Thread Silk Hose for women, lisle garter top, lisle heel, sole and toe; all colors, embroidered or plain; regular \$1.25 value, today, a pair, 98c

Women's Boot Silk Hose, lisle sole, heel and toe; in all fancy shades and white and black; regular 65c value, today, per pair, 50c

Main floor annex.

A Chance for Book Lovers

And those who contemplate giving books for Christmas. The balance of our De Luxe editions of classic authors at ridiculously low prices.

Dickens, 20 volumes, per set, \$17.50 DeFoe, 8 volumes, per set, \$5.00

Emerson, 5 volumes, per set, \$6.75 Eugene Sue, 10 volumes, per set, \$5.00

Schiller, 5 volumes, per set, \$6.00 Smalllet, 6 volumes, per set, \$5.00

Main Floor, Center.

Townsend & Wyatt Dry Goods Co.

Members Retail Merchants' Association. Railroad Fares Rebated.

ST. JOSEPH HAY MARKET. Local Quotations Corrected to Date by Local Dealers.

The following quotations are furnished daily by the St. Joseph Hay Receivers and Shippers Association for the benefit of Stock Yards Daily Journal readers: Timothy—Choice, \$12@13.50; No. 1, \$11.50@12.50; No. 2, \$8.50@11; No. 3, \$5.50@8.

ST. JOSEPH HAY AND FEED. Who you want to buy or sell Hay write or wire I. L. Frederick Grain & Hay Co.



The following quotations are furnished daily by the Kansas City Receivers and Shippers Association for the benefit of Stock Yards Daily Journal readers and advertisements following are reliable Kansas City hay and grain merchants who solicit your consignments or orders:

KANSAS CITY HAY AND FEED. THE BEST WAY To Dispose of Your ALFALFA HAY

HAY Clark Wyrick & Co. Live Stock Exchange Bldg. KANSAS CITY, MO.

Hay Wanted! Will purchase on your track or handle on commission. Write us what you have. NORTH BROTHERS

SWANROCK WHISKY DISTILLED FOR MEDICAL USE. M. J. SHERIDAN, PROPRIETOR. ST. JOSEPH, MO. Importers and Dealers in WINES and LIQUORS

WANTED TO BUY Horses, Mares and Mules from 4 to 8 years old. Stock must be fat and broken to work.

HELS A. ANDERSON, FARRIGUT, IOWA Breeder of Percherons, Shire and German Coach Stallions and Jacks.

CANCER TUNERS, EYE, FACIAL BLEMISHES and SKIN DISEASES can be CURED without surgical operation or burning salve.

Classified Real Estate Advertising

1 cent per word first insertion; 1/2 cent per word each subsequent insertion. Cash, money order or check must accompany the order.

Cheap Corn and High Hogs now offer an unusual chance for Big Profits in the hog business.

Swift's Digester Tankage (60 per cent Protein) will produce maximum gains and the grade of hogs that will top the market.

For prices and a free sample, write Swift & Company, Chicago

THE HAYNER DISTILLING CO. 2110 Central St. KANSAS CITY, MO.

SHORT COURSE FOR HANDS Kansas Agricultural College Arranges Program for Farm Help.

PROTECT YOUR CATTLE FROM BLACKLEGGS. Take No Chances. Blackleggs are Simplest, Safest and Surest Preventive.

PARKE, DAVIS & COMPANY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY. DETROIT, MICH., U.S.A.

It takes a woman to be more correct to the man she loves than to one she hates.

OLD SETTLER TELLS EXPERIENCE

Over Half His Life Spent in Misery and Pain Which Doctors Couldn't Cure.

At Last Mr. Sparks Went to United Doctors and Was Soon Relieved.

Probably no man in these parts is better known than Mr. A. L. Sparks of Gower, Mo. Mr. Sparks is now past fifty years old and was born, raised and lived his entire life in the same community.

"After trying many physicians for a severe nervous and stomach trouble which I had suffered with for nearly thirty years, I want to state for the benefit of all sick people that I have secured more relief from the United Doctors of St. Joseph in a short period of treatment than from all the other treatments I took combined."

A. L. SPARKS. You see this adv. So will others as yours.

Hides Higher..

Table listing hide prices: SALT CURED HIDES, Natives, Side brands, over 40 flat, etc. Prices range from 10% to 14%.

FURS THESE PRICES ARE FOR PRIME SKINS

Table listing fur prices: MINK-DARK-Central, MUSKRAT-Central-Fall, WOLF-Continued, etc. Prices range from \$1.00 to \$5.00.

James C. Smith Hide Co. Consignment Dept., St. Joseph, Mo. Branches—Wichita, Kan.; Topeka, Kan.; Grand Island, Neb., and Joplin, Mo.

Advertisement for Hayner Bottled-in-Bond Whiskey. Includes image of a bottle and text: "Avoid Blends! Send us your order for Hayner BOTTLED-IN-BOND Whiskey"

Advertisement for Farmers and Stockmen Take Notice. Includes image of a bottle of Kegan Bros. Whisky and text: "KEEP THIS AD—IT HAS A VALUE—GOOD FOR 50 CENTS"

THE HAYNER DISTILLING CO. 2110 Central St. KANSAS CITY, MO. CAPITAL \$500,000.00 Full Paid

Advertisement for Parke, Davis & Company. Includes image of a cow and text: "PROTECT YOUR CATTLE FROM BLACKLEGGS"

Advertisement for Dutton Bros., Dentists. Includes image of a dental chair and text: "MORE FOR YOUR MONEY Than you can get at home"

Advertisement for Varicocele Cured in 5 Days. Includes image of a man and text: "Without Knife, Pain or Danger"

Advertisement for Watering Troughs Last for Lifetime. Includes image of a watering trough and text: "FOR 30 Days Only To introduce our troughs"

Advertisement for T. C. Augustine Tank Works. Includes text: "FOR SALE—Stock Watering Tanks, made of old boiler iron"

MAKING HER HAPPY

One Case Where Love Was Successfully Placed Second to Honor.

By ROSE CARRINGTON.

"If you really loved me, you'd explain," and the girl tossed her head angrily.

"Once more, Helen, I will not."

"Then, Ted, there is nothing more for me to do but to give you back this," and Helen drew off the ring he had placed on her finger with such professions of devoted love that it made her heart ache to remember them.

"Helen, don't," he whispered, but she did not flinch.

"Can you bear to break it off?" he asked softly, all the anger dying out of his boyish face.

"Yes, I can when there is a secret between us. If you have one now, you'd have a dozen after we were married." But her own face was relaxing, and the tears lay near the surface.

"Helen, dearest, just wait. Give me until tonight, and then I promise to tell you everything. You owe me that much notice," and she smiled a little uncertainly.

"You know when a man loses his job he is given a little bit of notice."

"But this is not a job," Helen said; but she slipped the ring back on her finger.

"Isn't it? Well, I just guess yes, the finest kind of a one."

"How do you make that out?" and now there was a faint smile about the pretty lips.

"It is a mighty fine job, that of making you happy," Ted returned, his usual merry expression coming back into his eyes as he bent towards her.

"Nonsense. But honest, Ted, if you can tell me tonight, why not now?" and her eyes tempted him to go against what he believed to be right, but he shook off the influence, and returned gravely:

"Remember, Nell, that picture we saw last winter at the art exhibit?"

She did not need to be told which one, for there had been only that which had lingered in their memory.

"You know, the one where the girl is trying to get her sweetheart to wear

business had seduced him. Still, she loved him with all her girlish heart, and as she sat there in the sweet, early spring air after he had left her, feeling alone as though on a desert island, she realized that she was beginning to understand more of her woman's nature, to make excuses and forgive without knowing why.

The day passed slowly, and she felt she could scarcely wait until evening. The dreariness of the house became more pronounced because of the calls from many of her girl friends, who came so openly to question her absence from the dance, that she felt that her endurance was almost gone. To them all she replied gaily, hiding her worry beneath a smile.

"Why, there's nothing in it. Surely Ted and I ought to be allowed the privilege of choosing our way of spending an evening. You see, Ted is a bit jealous, and I honestly believe he doesn't like me to dance with any one else." And with this palpable but innocent fiction, smilingly given, she disarmed even her chum who was to be maid of honor at the wedding. The latter laughed teasingly as she cried:

"And to think that you'd be so much in love, Nell, that you'd be willing to give up a dance like that last night!"

But Nell only smiled back: "Just wait, Grace, until your turn comes, and then you'll know how dear the right one can be," and there was a catch in her throat as she spoke, for surely Ted was dearer than even her sense of justice, and she felt she could still trust him.

At last, when the gloaming of the spring evening wrapped the world in its cloud, with trembling fingers Helen dressed for Ted, her heart beating so rapidly that she could scarcely get her breath. Long before eight she was ready for him, but it was after nine before she heard his ring and ran to let him in. Somehow she could not reproach him, he seemed so tired and worn. His eyes were deep with fatigue and ring encircled, and so she only put her arms up and drew his head down, saying gently:

"My poor boy, how tired he looks; come, sit down and rest."

"You darling!" he whispered, and for a moment he rested his aching head on the little shoulder lovingly offered for his support, and then he broke out with:

"Thank God, it's all over," and drew her closer to him. All curiosity suddenly left Helen. No longer was she a petulant girl, jealous of her rights, but a strong, courageous woman, with a deep trust in the integrity of the man she was going to marry, and she laid her firm, cool hand on his burning one so confidently that he raised it to his lips before he began:

"I wonder, Nellie, if I were to ask you to keep on trusting me without any explanation, you'd do it?"

Without any hesitation, she returned:

"I've been thinking about that picture, Ted, and I believe the man was right; he could not have loved the girl as he ought, if he had not been true to his honor. If you can't tell me, it is all right."

It was worth a good deal to him, this simple confession of her faith, but fortunately Ted did not have to take advantage of it. With a little laugh of pure joy, he sat with his arm about her and told her the story, which after all was simple, once she understood. An employer's son, who had fallen into bad company, had been driven to forging his father's name. The check was presented and disputed, and then Ted had been sent to find the missing wrong-doer.

"I spent the whole of last night looking for him, and most of today in getting him to go back home. I had promised him to breathe a word of it until I landed him safely, and I couldn't break my word, not even for you, sweetheart," and he spoke earnestly.

"Oh, Ted, how good you are," she said softly.

"No, it was the only thing to do. Bob's father has been pretty good to me, and now that he and Bob understand each other, the boy will be all right. So no harm's done if you don't mind being loved second to honor. That's your only rival."

"You could not have loved me as much as you do if you had not given me that rival," was Nell's reply.

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The Girl Who Thinks.

"My estrangement, if you can call it that, from my mother, dated from the moment I began to think," says a writer under the title of "My Mother Didn't Tell Me," in Harper's Bazar.

"I had been very much a 'mother's girl.' My mother and I planned my frocks, we sewed a great deal together, we chatted together, we read poetry aloud together, and also a good deal of modern fiction. My mother was very fond of books, and kept abreast of the times. Our companionship was of a very beautiful sort and still is—as long as I keep within those prescribed limits and as long as I do not venture into any question that has to do with the life or thought of the country today. My mother is as much interested in my frocks today, now that I am twenty-seven, as she was when I was seventeen. She still has that interest in books, nor does her dislike of the tendency of modern thought extend very far into literature."

Busy German Women.

In Germany there is a total number of 115,999 women filling honorary positions in cities and on charity boards.

In 155 municipalities seven thousand women are in active service for the care of the poor and of orphans. In 115 towns there are women serving on school boards.

He offered her no explanation, except to say that

a white handkerchief so that he will be taken for a member of the other side, and not be killed?"

"Of course."

"And you know what was under it? Something about loving her less if he did not love honor more?"

Helen nodded.

"Well, that's my case, girly—honest. I can't tell you because I promised not to, and I can't go back on my honor, for if I did I'd not be worthy of you. See?" And there was a strength of purpose in his dark eyes that appealed to her and made her eyes dim, although, woman like, she asked softly:

"Would you rather give me up than go back on your promise?"

Ted swallowed hard. "If you'd want me to, Nell, I don't believe I could care for you as much as I do. You see, I'd feel that something was wrong. Now kiss me, dear, and just wait until tonight, and I'll prove to you that I'm just what I've said I am, not so awfully bad after all," and without waiting for permission, he drew her into his arms, kissed her not once but several times, then ran away, leaving her gasping, but happier than she had been for several days.

The crux of the trouble had been reached the night before, when there had been a dance to which all of her set had been invited. It was the last she expected to attend before their marriage, and so Helen had looked forward to it eagerly. Ted was to come for her at nine, and she had dressed very carefully, pinning on the blush roses he had sent her, after kissing them with girlish tenderness. However, although she was all ready a little before nine, Ted did not come. Nine grew to ten, then eleven, and finally twelve, and still she waited alone and in vain, and worse than all, she received no message of explanation. Finally, frantic with imagining all kinds of accidents, she had thrown herself, all dressed, on her bed and sobbed herself to sleep. In the morning he had telephoned her, asking her to meet him at the park entrance, and when she arrived at the appointed spot she found him haggard, sleepless and with tumbled clothes. He offered her no explanation, except to say that

He offered her no explanation.

Save Time, Money and Annoyance by Choosing Christmas Gifts at Hirsch's

We have spared neither pains nor expense to make our showings of Holiday Goods more varied than ever before, and we have succeeded beyond our expectations. There are literally thousands of appropriate gifts here now, and although it's but a few days before Christmas, lines are still complete, and we can promise you first-class service.

Another thing worth remembering is this. It costs no more to shop at Hirsch's in December than it does any other time of year. And in many instances, because of our superior buying facilities and our enormous outlet, our prices are under the ruling market prices, quality considered.

If you live out of town, come in here between now and next Tuesday evening—not because we ask you to do so, but because it will pay you well.

What Pleases a Woman More Than a Fine Fur Set

Beautiful and enduring; she'll treasure it for years. We have a very extensive variety of Single Furs—either Muff or Neck-piece and Fur Sets consisting of Muff and Neck-piece, in such Furs as

Natural Mink, Black Lynx, Genuine Ermine, Persian Lamb, Genuine Cross-fox; Alaska Red Fox, Japanese Mink, Black Fox, Japanese Cross-fox, Genuine Natural Marten, Pointed Sitka and so on at prices ranging from

\$1.98 to \$200 for Single Pieces

and from **\$3.98 to \$400 for Sets**

Slippers for All

Why not slippers? Of course we know they're frequently given, but what of it? They afford the wearer lasting pleasure and that's the purpose of a gift. Magnificent collections here.

Women's Turkish Boudoir Slippers, leather lined, no roughness inside; all colors, pair 59c.

Women's Kid Boudoir Slippers in black, blue, red, tan, pink; low heel, flexible soles; pair, \$1.

Women's Felt Slippers; fur trimmed; soft flexible leather soles; low heels, pair, \$1.49, \$1.25 and \$1.

Women's Knit Slippers, lambs wool soles; red, black, gray or blue; pair, 49c.

Men's Leather Slippers, tan or black leathers; any style; pair, \$1.48 down to 75c.

Men's Velvet and Brown Slippers; all sizes; leather soles; a bargain at 50c.

High-Top Shoes For Boys and Girls

As practical a gift as any parent can select anywhere.

Boys' and Little Men's High top Storm Calf Shoes in tan or black leathers; with straps and buckles; at top; these turn the water, and they never wear out; low priced at \$2.50 and \$2.

Girls' Tan Storm Calf Boots, with straps and buckles at top; the kind brother wears; \$3.50 and \$3.

Little Men's Leather Leggins in black or tan; sizes 5 to 10; pair \$1.

Little Men's Red Top Boots; nothing will please the boy more completely than a pair of these; sizes 6 to 8, pair, \$2.25; sizes 8 1/2 to 11, pair, \$2.75 and \$2.45.

Holiday Novelties From Jewelry Department

We have outdone ourselves in this department this year. So widely varied are the assortments of these we have to show, so chic and dainty the styles, so wide the price range—you cannot fail to be pleased when you come. Just a few suggestions here. Come and see our wonderful assortments of these.

Fine Shaving Sets, \$2.98 to \$11.98.
Fine Toilet Sets, silver plated, also fancy; \$2.49 to \$12.98.
Elegant Manicure Sets, up to \$10.98.
Fine Writing Desk Sets, \$2.49 to \$6.98.
Military Brush Sets up to \$12.50.
Jewel Boxes, 98c to \$4.98.
Silver Clocks, \$1.49 to \$3.98.
Ivory Clocks, 98c to \$3.98.

Ivory Manicure File & Shoe Horn, 50c value, 25c

Ivory Toilet Sets, \$4.49 down.
Fine Coat Chains, \$1.98 to \$4.98.
Aluminum Barrettes, \$1.98 to \$4.98.
Fancy Shell Barrettes, 49c to \$4.98.
Fancy Hair Bands and Akrettes, \$4.98 down.
Traveling Roll-up Cases, \$1.49 to \$7.98.

Christmas Bargains in Fitted Leather Bags

Special Bag at \$2.98

9-inch Seal Grain Bag, leather lined; fitted with purse, mirror, card case, vanity box and perfume bottle; special Holiday price. \$2.98

\$7.50 Bag at \$4.98

Made of extra fine Goat Seal leather; extra fine fittings; five pieces, comb, mirror and vanity box of fine Ivory; \$7.50 bag, special. \$4.98

\$3.00 Bags for \$1.98

One-piece goat leather Bag with oxidized silver frame; also fine walrus, grained, with fancy gray silver frames, also fine seal grain with carved silver frame; also fine seal with oval oxidized silver frame; these bags are all \$3.00 values; a wonderful value and an elegant gift for. \$1.98

Member Retail Merchants' Association

Gifts at 25 Cents

Hair Receiver, Match Box, Tie Box, Flisk Broom, Candlestick, Ivory Jewel Box, Stamp Box, Fancy Bead Chain, Hat Pins, Atomizer, Birthdays Books, Pearl Necklace, Ivory Shoe Horn, Child's Knife, Fork and Spoon Set, Match and Toothpick Holders, Ivory Manicure Outfit, in round case,	Tie and Handkerchief Sets, Puff Jar, Photo Frame, Glove Box, Spoonholder, Infants' Brush, Candlestick, silver or gold, Initial Pin Sets, Gold Top Pin Set, Fancy Shaving Pads, Collar Button Case, Hairpin Cases, Tie Racks, Hair Bands, Fancy Pin Cases, Writing Pads, Ash Trays, Drinking C	Pincushions, Handkerchief Box, Telephone Register, Pomade Jar, Stamp Box, Infants' Brush, Ivory Jewel Box, Initial Pin Sets, Silver Pin Tray, Hairpin Cases, Purses, Scissors in Case, Toothbrush Holders, Pincushions, Ebony Hat Brush, Vanity Purses, Military Brushes, Glove and Handkerchief Case Sets,
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Gifts at 49 Cents

Brass Corner Desk Pad, Brass Phone Record, Brass-Mounted Shaving Pad, Brass Matchholder, Brass Bridge Score, Brass Whisk Broom Holder, Brass Letter Paper Rack, Brass Desk Scissors Sets, Perfume Atomizer, Smoker Sets, Silver Nut Bowl, Child's Silver Set, Knife, Fork and Spoon,	Sewing Sets, Ivory Tie Holder, Ivory Whisk Holder, Metal Tie Holder, Hair Brushes, Tie and Handkerchief Sets, Glove and Handkerchief Sets, Jewel Brushes, Leather and Fancy Hand Bags, One oz. Perfume, in box, Silver Bonbon Dishes, Silver Crumb Trays,	Ivory Photo Frame, Poker Sets, Ebony or Mahogany Mirror, Ivory Pin Trays, Ivory Tape Measures, Ivory Puff Box, Ivory Hair Receiver, Shaving Sets, Jewel Jewels Box, Collar Button Cases, Cigarette Case, Fancy Jewel Cases, Whiskbroom in Holder,
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Gifts at 98 Cents

Child's Brush and Comb Set, Hand Mirrors, Silver Candelsticks, Parisian Ivory Clock, Parisian Ivory Comb and Brush Set, Child's Set, 3 pieces, knife, etc., Ivory and Tinted Ivory Jewel Boxes, Sterling Top Buffers, Parisian Ivory Buffers, Hair Receiver, Brush Sets, in leather case,	Double Mirrors, Ivory, Fancy Trays, Real Ebony Hair Brushes, Perfume Atomizer, Sterling back Pen Knife, Brass Smoker's Stand, Leather covered Flask, Leather Jewel Case, Brass Gong, Brass Shaving Stand Mirror, Bead Purse, with long chain, Amber Bead Chain,	Gold top Pin Sets, Gold top Bar Pins, Cloisene enamel Pin Set, \$2 solid gold top Pen Knife, Whisk broom in fancy holder, Gold Jewel Box, Old Ivory Jewel Box, Infants' Set, Fancy frame Hand Bag, Novelty Bags, Brass Case, 100 Others as desirable,
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The Greatest Toy Store in St. Joseph

DOLL BARGAIN

\$2, 28-inch Jointed Doll, \$1.39

28-inch Doll, jointed at knees, hips, wrists, elbows, shoulders and neck; bisque head with long curling hair, both light and dark; moving eyes; shoes and stockings; a big doll and a beautiful doll, well worth \$5; special \$1.39.

\$1.25 Go-Cart, \$1.00

Full collapsible Go Cart, black japanned; strong and well made; a bargain at \$1.00.

Bargains in Hobby Horses

Just a few Hobby Horses left, so come early for them. \$16 Hobby Horse, \$6.98; a beauty, stands over 3 1/2 feet high; genuine fair leather saddle, bridle and trappings; reduced from \$10 to. \$6.98

\$2.49, \$2.98 and \$3.49 Hobby Horses, \$1.98.

\$3.98 and \$4.49 Hobby Horses, \$2.98.

1,200 Christmas Umbrellas for Men, Women and Children

Fine Gloria silks or imported taffetas. The newest handles in Mission Styles, fancy, gold and sterling silver inlaid with pearls, and so on. Steel Rods, Paragon frames. The best. Umbrella values obtainable in this city for the money—and an acceptable gift for anyone

\$1.50 to \$9.98

How'd You Like a Christmas Gift of Fine Hosiery

This is our Annual Christmas sale of Fine Hosiery. We make a feature of it, always taking pains to secure the very best values we possibly can. Any of the items below would make an elegant gift.

Women's Two-Tone Silk Hose, \$4.98, \$3.98

Brown and white, blue and white, also black and white; this grade has high-spliced heels, double soles and toes.

Women's Black Silk Embroidered Hose, \$1.25 Up

These are embroidered in black and colors; have high-spliced heel; double sole and toe; pair, \$2.49, \$1.49 and \$1.25.

Women's Plain Black Silk Hose, 98c to \$2.98

These have either lisle or silk top and lisle or silk foot; heels high spliced; double soles and toes. Will wear splendidly.

Hosiery in Boxes

Women's Silk Hose with high spliced heel, double sole and toe; black or colors; one pair to box, \$1.49.

Women's Silk Hose, with lisle top, high-spliced heel, double toe; black or colors; two pairs to box; the box, 98c.

Women's Black Lisle Hose with either lavender or plain black top; high-spliced heel, double sole and toe; three pairs to box; the box, \$1.49.

Women's Black Lisle Hose with high-spliced heel, double sole and toe; three pairs to box; the box, \$1.00; pair, 35c.

Bargains in Sleds

Wood Sleds, at 25c, 49c and 98c.
Wood Coasters, some with circular runners, 25c, 49c and 75c.

Self-Steering Sleds, \$1.49, \$2.49

Well made, Wood seat, Braces and uprights Japanned Iron; steel runners.

\$2 Express Wagon, 98c

All metal. Good big size bed; a well made wagon. Filled with toys for the smaller children; low priced at 25c, 49c, 98c.

Christmas Stockings

Filled with toys for the smaller children; low priced at 25c, 49c, 98c.

Tree Ornaments, 10c Up

Christmas isn't half Christmas without a tree. Full line of Tree Ornaments here—any kind. Prices up from 10c.

Christmas Candles, 10c a box and up.

Gloves---Time Honored Gifts, but Always Acceptable

Special Women's 12-button length Cape Gloves in tan only; all sizes, but not many pairs of a size; regular \$1.50 gloves \$1.98

Women's 1-clasp Doekin Gloves, white or natural; per pair, \$1.50 and \$1.

Children's Kid Mittens, fur tops; all sizes; pair, 30c.

Children's fleeced Cashmere Gloves, pair, 25c.

Give Handkerchiefs At 15c or 25c

We make a specialty of Handkerchiefs at these two prices and are showing better value and broader variety than the money buys elsewhere. About 100 styles at either price. Nearly every one in line all linen.

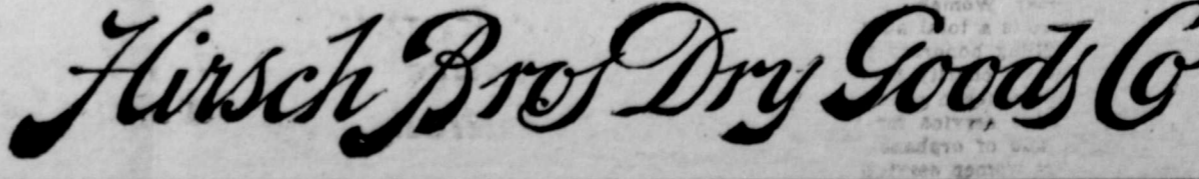
There are hemstitched or scalloped edge handkerchiefs with embroidered borders, scalloped or hemstitched handkerchiefs with embroidered borders; lace edge handkerchiefs, scalloped edge handkerchiefs with edge embroidered in colors, and so many others at either price it would be hard to mention them all. See these Saturday by all means. Everyone appreciates a gift of Handkerchiefs.

A Late French Fad Name Handkerchiefs

of fine all linen with full first names beautifully hand-embroidered across corners. Price

25c each

About 75 of the most common first names to choose from.



Railroad Fares Rebated