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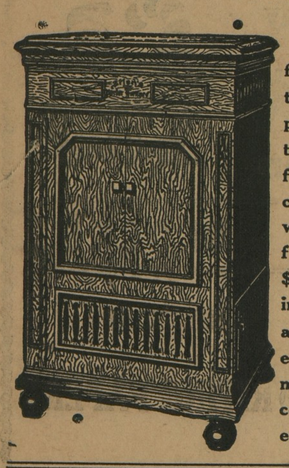

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God rest ye, merry gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay!

THE words sounded through the hall of the big office building in a high, clear soprano, which made both John Harden and his son, Ralph, look up, startled and irritated. Then, as "merry gentlemen" sounded farther off, John Harden thought, "It's a good thing that woman didn't come in here singing that! 'Merry gentlemen,' indeed!" and he looked over at his son, who sat brooding at his desk.

"If Ralph would only give me his confidence!" he thought. "Money trouble of some kind, I suppose, and I'd help him out if he'd only tell me. Troubles enough of my own, but not about money. If a million dollars would remove this threat of blindness, I'd pay it in a minute."

"Let nothing you dismay!" came the clear, light voice again, and Ralph thought:

"How can I help being dismayed, with a pile of gambling debts I'll never get out from under? Father suspects, too, I know, for he looks glum all the time, and keeps his hand over his eyes so much. If he'd only ask me, maybe I'd have the courage to tell him."

As the singing voice neared the office again, Harden growled, "Tell that girl to hush up or go away!" Then the office door opened, and the words "merry gentlemen" made both men look up, impatiently. But, instead of a bold young woman—stood a scrubby newsboy, saying:

"Collectin' for the Times. Circulatin' manager's so busy he sent me."

"Where did you learn to sing?" asked Ralph.

"St. Luke's choir. We're practicin' fer Christmas. Get fifty cents a Sunday, and I get a dollar Christmas, 'cause I sing a solo. Gee, it's luck, fer Dad's been sick and if it goes on this way, I'd never get clothes fer school. Whaja think? Got five dollars out o' choir money saved fer a new overcoat!"

"Here's another toward it," said Ralph, "and I hope your father gets well."

"Thank you!" exclaimed the boy, pocketing the dollar. "Gee, I hope he does, too, 'cause he's all the family I got. He works in a factory where the light's bad, and sometimes his eyes go wrong."

"Couldn't he work somewhere else?" queried Mr. Harden.

"Yep; there's a grand place goin' to be vacant at the paper-box fact'ry, where there's hardly any eye work, but there's so many after it—"

"Wait!" said Harden. "I know Mortimer, who owns that factory. I'll give you a note to take him. What's your father's name?'

"Albert Wickens, and he's all right! You tell 'em I said so—known him all my life, an' I recommend him."

Presently Harden looked up, saying, "Here's the note, and a dollar for your New Year's greeting in advance. Don't forget to come in with it—it's paid for, remember!"

"You bet I'll come! I'd get a handsome lickin' if my Dad ever heard o' my bein' crooked! I'm proud o' my ole man an' I want to make him proud o' me."

With that, the door slammed, and the young voice was heard caroling down the hall.

The two men looked at each other, speaking simultaneously:

"Son, I have something to say—"

"Dad, I have something to tell—"

Then, with half-embarrassed amusement, they both laughed, healingly.

"I guess there's a good deal we have to tell each other," said John Harden. "I propose that we get a private room at the club and have some lunch, and talk things over."

"Great!" said Ralph, rising to help his father with his coat. "I'm not looking forward, exactly, to what I have to say, because I'm ashamed of it, but it'll be a relief."

"Nothing you can tell me will be as bad as this estrangement has been," replied his father. "If it's anything I can help you about—"

"It is, and if you'll straighten me out this time, I know I'll never get in such a hole again. When that kid said, 'I'm proud o' my ole man, and I want him to be—"

Ralph choked and stopped, but by this time they were in the outer hall, so John Harden simply took his son's arm and pressed it affectionately.

As the elevator reached the street level the two looked at each other and smiled, for down the hall they heard a high, clear voice singing:

God rest ye, merry gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay!

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Drinking the Wassail

The ancient custom of wassailing was always an indispensable factor in the celebration attendant to the old-time Christmas, New Year's and Twelfth Night.

Rosemary for Christmas

Rosemary once played a far greater part than holly in Christmas decorations.

When Jesus Was a Boy; Loved by His Playmates

WHEN it is candle-lighting time on Christmas Eve, and mother has read the "Night Before Christmas," and told you the story of the Christ Child, of the Wise Men who came on their soft-stepping camels across the desert; of the shepherds who followed the Star; of the angel song, and of the manger cradle, have you ever thought:

"I wonder what sort of a boy Jesus was when He was as old as I?"

The Bible doesn't tell much about His boyhood, but there are two legends which you may like to remember while the berries are red on the holly and the whole house is smelling of evergreen. One tells of a little lame boy who followed the shepherds on that first Christmas night. While he was kneeling before the Christ Child, he felt the tiny hands touch him. When he arose, he no longer needed his crutch. He who had always hobbled slowly and painfully had been healed, and could run with the swiftest.

Another legend tells of the time when the boy Jesus was playing with His comrades and held a lifeless bird. One touch, and it flew away up, up, up into the blue sky, singing a song of thanksgiving.

These are only legends. They may not be true, but of this we may be sure: the boy Jesus was well loved by His playmates, and He was always kind and thoughtful.

Suppose you take one of the candles from the tree and tie it up in a knot of holly berries where you can see it often. As often as you see it remember that Christmas is the birthday of the Christ Child. So try to be like Him by doing some kind deed every day.—Frank H. Sweet.

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Christmas Day

Christmas is the sweetest day of the year, for the reason that it is, in its proper observance, utterly unselfish, and because it is the golden link of time that serves to bind heaven and earth in a closer understanding.

Singing Christmas Carols

Christmas carols were sung as far back as 1521 and were said to be the songs sung by angels at the birth of Christ.

First Christmas Observance

The observance of Christmas began about the Fourth century. It became a general custom only in the Thirteenth century.

Holly Unlucky

In some parts of England there is a superstition that it is unlucky to take holly into the house before Christmas.

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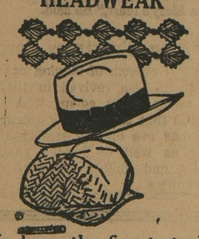
HEADWEAR



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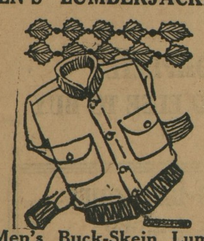
MEN'S LUMBERJACKETS



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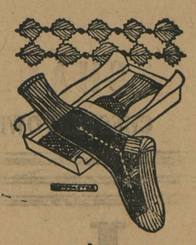
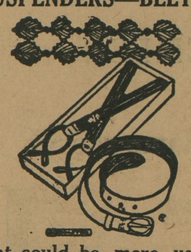


One cannot have too many pairs and most men expect socks for Christmas. A useful gift that is always appreciated. A large assortment in silk, silk and wool, and mercerized lisle ..... 35c to $1.50

SUSPENDERS—BELTS



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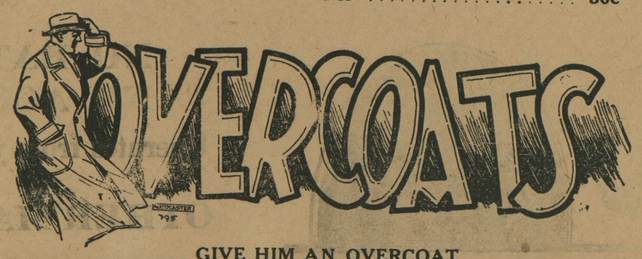

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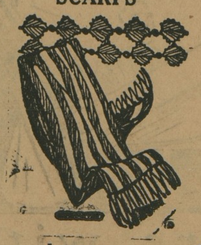

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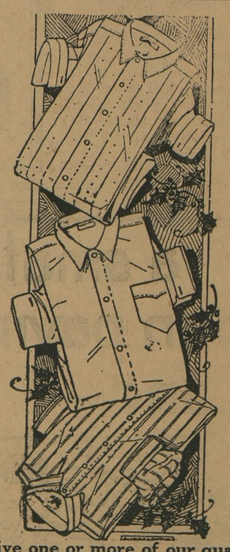
Silk-knit scarfs with fringed bottoms ..... $1.75 to $3.00



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