

FOR THE WOMAN READER BY FLORENCE RIDDICK BOYS

CHRISTMAS

"Christmas is coming," the children cry. Counting the weeks that are hurrying by...

And sometimes it makes us older folks feel like crying, too, as those weeks are "burning" by...

Why not sit down to-day, pencil in hand and make a list of those we want to remember...

If you really are going to put hard-earned money into a gift—something which represents sacrifice and great love on your part—be sure that it is a thing which the recipient actually wants and will use and appreciate...

The ideal way to give Christmas presents is to feel around and see what presents you want; then pretend you aren't going to buy them...

FEEL A SNIFF OF AIR. Feel stupid and yearning? The probability is that you are...

On a winter's day, when you begin to feel lazy and "stayed up," put on your bonnet and shawl and take a brisk run in the snow...

Most people never ventilate the kitchen. The door to the kitchen should be open the most of the time...

BEAUTIFYING THE HOME. "Make your home your hobby." It is a good slogan for husband and wife...

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Try it on Hubby and the children. Begin your beautifying with the first axiom: "The beauty of the house is order."

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If a piece of furniture in a room does not seem to belong, remove it. Move that piece to some other room...

Scrub the wicker chair where the arms are bent, rest, then paint the chair a new color, use for jolly. Rub the wax into the scratched places...

The Handy Man's Corner

MAKING A SUMMER HOUSE.

Summer houses are made in various designs from many different materials such as brick, concrete, timber or, often, a combination of two or more.

Next fix a stout cross piece to the upright corner as shown in Fig. 1 to prevent them moving laterally.

Next nail long pieces of stout pole on to the projecting ends of the cross pieces on the each end, by 9 to 12 as shown in Fig. 2.

At this stage of the work there should be a rectangular frame about 9 inches wider each way than the outline of the walls.

The roof has now to be covered with tongued and grooved match-boarding and afterwards with felt or weather-proofing.

Inside the house a seat can be constructed, as in Fig. 1. This is very simple and is made of poles and slats, sloping back rest and cushioned.

The floor of the summer house is usually of sand or concrete, covered with crazy paving, concrete, or stone. If economy be the first consideration, planks or gravel may be used.

The whole of the woodwork should be given a good coat of paint or enamel of some color, which is not only a decorative touch but also a protective one.

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Scientific Facts

NEWEST NOTES OF SCIENCE.

Solidified alcohol supplies the fuel for a new cutting iron heater. Scientists at the University of Toronto have discovered a method for the manufacture of sulphuric acid from gypsum.

Wireless telegraph service between Belgium and the Congo has been made available to the public. A pad weighted with shot to hold it down firmly features a new device for polishing waxed floors.

An English automobile designer has mounted an extra button for the horn on an emergency brake lever. A novel vacuum cleaner for horses includes a revolving brush in its nozzle that massages their coats.

Belgrade is to have a new radio broadcasting station with sufficient power to cover all over Yugoslavia. When the engine of an automobile is equipped with a new thermostat device overhauls the car's horn is sounded.

For bathers' wear a Frenchman has invented jewelry made of rubber composition, even some gems being imitated. A gas mask for miners has been designed, which can be carried in a pocket, being little larger than a tobacco can.

Various radio interests in Japan are planning to organize one company to control all broadcasting in the country. Gymnasium apparatus has been invented by a Chicago man to add strength to the muscles most essential to the soldier.

A permanent international committee has been appointed to develop telephone communication among all European countries. It is estimated that the million motor trucks in the United States haul 1,320,000,000 tons of freight annually.

According to recent estimates two-thirds of the population of the Indian Empire is directly dependent upon agriculture. Included in the base of a new hold for Christmas trees that revolves them is a music box that plays popular tunes.

A Berlin scientist has developed a process for making motor fuel from coal at less expense than gasoline costs in Germany. A circular saw is mounted on a farm tractor and operated by its engine.

The province of Katanga in the Belgian Congo has a rank among the cobalt and radium producing countries of the world. A gun loaded with blasting powder has been invented for splitting logs in a field.

A Tennessee inventor has patented a system of saw run over stepped pulleys to cut several boards from a log in one operation. The Austrian government will hold an exhibition at Vienna next year at which modern methods of utilizing energy will be demonstrated.

More than \$2,178,000,000 has been appropriated in the United States this year for engineering undertakings of one kind or another. The United States is estimated to have 50,000,000 acres of reclaimable and irrigable lands that could be used for agricultural production.

Petroleum interests of the Dutch East Indies have sent a prospecting expedition to seek oil in the central part of the island of Celebes. A small celluloid rubber that has been invented is perforated in such a way that it can be utilized as a drawing board for many uses.

The Japanese government is planning to establish commercial air lines from Osaka to Shanghai, from Tokyo to Dairen and from Tokyo to Sapporo. United States government tests have shown that stout men can endure high temperatures longer than thinner ones although they lose more weight.

The weight of coal as it is delivered to consumer automatically registered by scales carried on a dealer's delivery truck in a German city. A two wheel warehouse truck that has been invented has a plate extending in front that can be inserted under heavy boxes and barrels to pick them up.

A fuselage curved to rise much higher above the water than usual is being used in a glider which the Japanese government is experimenting with. A novel electric lamp that concentrates its light over a small area is being used in a glider which the Japanese government is experimenting with.

Carrying two persons, a steel frame, canvas covered boat invented in Germany can be folded and packed in two boxes for transportation in an automobile. Oil-electric locomotives are being used for lighter work on eight of the larger railroads of the United States and engines of 1500 horsepower are being designed.

THE STORY OF CANADA'S MONEY

BY PAUL MONTGOMERY. Copyright 1926.

THE COINS OF THE NORTH WEST COMPANY. Victoria Memorial Library at Ottawa. Where and how these tokens vanished has never been cleared up...

As the nineteenth century dawned the need for a more elastic system of exchange was felt and the energetic North West Company placed in circulation a token which is now very rare.

Large coins, about the size of the present day penny of the British Isles. They were struck in heavy copper in England and a fair number of them placed in circulation around the important posts at Sault Ste. Marie and elsewhere.

It is known that a number of them were in circulation up until the year 1821 when the North West Company and the Hudson Bay Company amalgamated.

Some years later the Hudson Bay Company placed a series of tokens in circulation. They became very rare and were eagerly sought by coin collectors.

There is perhaps less than a dozen individual specimens scattered across Canada in the cabinets of advanced coin collectors.

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Xmas Day Customs

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That Christmas Party

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Fateful Mistletoe

Mistletoe is not indigenous to the soil of Canada, but that by no means precludes indulgence in a certain popular form of exercise—the term is used advisedly—which is associated with that strange twig.

Let nothing you dimmy, For Jesus Christ our Saviour Was born on Christmas Day.—Old Carol.

SEVEN SENTENCE SERMONS.

Ab, when shall all men's good Be each man's rule, and universal peace.

Ab, dearest Jesus, Holy Child! Make Thee a bed, soft, undefiled, Within my heart, that it may be, A quiet chamber kept for Thee.—Martin Luther.

God rest you merry, gentlemen, Let nothing you dimmy, For Jesus Christ our Saviour Was born on Christmas Day.—Old Carol.

In this was manifested the love of God toward us because that God sent His only-begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.—1 John 4:9

How silently, how silently, The wondrous gift is given! So God imparts to human hearts, The blessings of His heaven.—Phillip Brooks.

O ye beneath life's crushing load, Whose forms are bending low, Who toil along the climbing way, With painful steps and slow: Look now! for glad and golden hours Come swiftly on the wing: Oh, rest beside the weary road, And hear the angels sing.—Edmund Hamilton Sears.