

THE BIG STORE

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS.

We beg to submit a list of some of the numerous articles we have procured with a thought of the annual gift giving time in mind. The Big store is full of useful and appropriate articles and your money will go further here than you can imagine. You will be surprised by a visit at the large amount you can buy for a few dollars. Why not come before the rush and enjoy the better assortment and better service.

APRONS.

Our stock of this useful article includes every imaginable kind from the common cook apron to the dainty lace and ribbon trimmed concepts so dear to the heart of every woman. Prices 15c. 25c. 50c. 75c. \$1.

HAND COVERINGS.

Mittens or gloves are articles of necessity to every one, young or old, and are always acceptable as presents. In kid gloves we are showing an elegant line of the novelties in navy and greens with black, white or self-colored stitching, as well as the more staple tans and blacks. Ladies' kid gloves, 75c. \$1. \$1.25, \$2. 10c. 15c. 25c. 35c. 50c. 75c. \$1. Ladies and children's wool mittens and gloves, 50c. 75c. \$1. \$1.50. Also gentlemen's lined and unlined kid gloves and mittens.

FANS.

Fans have often played an important part in love making and will as long as they remain so desirable for presents. We are showing them in feather, gauze and silk. The empire is the most popular and comes in jeweled lace, trimmed and hand-painted. Prices 25c. 50c. 75c. \$1. \$1.50, \$2 and up to \$5.

JEWELRY.

Articles of Jewelry are always thankfully received. A very little money will make a respectable showing here. We mention baby sets, 25c. and 50c. Hat pins 25c. and 35c. Garter clips 15c. 20c. 25c. Stick pins, 5c. 10c. 25c. Finger rings warranted for 3 years, 25c. 50c.

UMBRELLAS, MACKINTOSHES.

Probably no article is more appreciated at all times of the year and calls to mind the giver oftener than umbrellas. A protection from the summer's heat and rain and the winter's snow. A friend in every season, they are a friend indeed. Mackintoshes are becoming more popular every year and the latest productions are almost as noble and pretty as cloaks. We are especially proud of our line this year. Men's umbrellas, 75c. \$1. \$1.50, 2. 3 up to 10. Ladies umbrellas 75c. \$1. \$1.50, 2 up to 8. Ladies mackintoshes \$4.50, 5, 6, to 12.50. Misses mackintoshes \$3.

Fascinators, Ice Wool Shawls.

Every woman wishes for an ice wool shawl and we expect an immense sale on them. Ice wool shawls 50c. 75c. \$1. \$1.50 to 2.00. Yarn fascinators 19c. 25c. 35c. 50c.

UPHOLSTERY.

Hundreds of homes will be brightened by a pair of lace curtains, chenille or tapestry portiers, a table cover or some article from the upholstery department. Many housewives feel they can't afford these things and this makes them more appreciated when coming as holiday presents. Lace curtains 50c. 75c. \$1. \$1.50, 2. 3 to 25 per pair. Chenille portiers \$2.50, 3, 4, 5 to 10 per pair. Tapestry curtains \$3, 3.50, 4, 5 to 35 per pair. Table covers 50c. 60c. 75c. \$1, 1.25 to 5 each. Lace bed sets \$1. 1.50, 2 to 10.

CORSETS.

We sell dozens of corsets every year for presents and our stock is too well known to require more than a mention. We carry all the well known makes and guarantee a fit in every instance. Prices 50c. 75c. \$1. 1.25, 1.50, 2, 2.75, and 3.25.

FOR THE BABIES.

We never neglect the babies when giving our order to Santa Claus and each year the showing is better and better. Besides the dresses and cloaks mentioned elsewhere we show: Infants caps and bonnets 25c. 50c. \$1 to 3 each. Babies kid shoes 25c. 35c. 50c. 75c. \$1 per pair. Baby Moccasins 10c. 15c. 25c. 35c. 50c.

THE SMALL BOYS.

Have not been neglected. We are agents for the "Mother's Friend" shirt waist and are showing a nice line. Also some beautiful creations in the ever popular sailor and Fauntleroy blouses. Boys' waists 25c. 50c. 75c. \$1 and 1.25. Boys' caps 25c. 50c. 75c. \$1 to 1.50.

SMALL FURS.

Muff and neck scarfs make nice Christmas presents. Our stock includes all the stylish furs, mink, seal, marten and other; also feather boas. In childrens sets angora and thibet in white and fancy shades. Ladies muffs 25c. 50c. 75c. \$1. 1.50, 2. 3 to 10. Feather boas, 25c. 50c. 75c. \$1, 2, 3, 5, 7.50. Childs sets, 50c. \$1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

BED MATERIALS.

In this line we have blankets, comforts, spreads, pillow slips and sheets. Our home made comforts have become famous in this town. Made of the best prints and pure, clean cotton. No danger of disease there. Also some styles of the Yountville goods and nothing prettier than our German Jacquard were ever shown in this town. Blankets 50c. 75c. \$1. \$1.25, 1.45, 1.95, 2.45, 2.95 to 6.75 per pair. German blankets \$2.50, 4.50, 7.50, 1.15 each. Comforts 75c. \$1, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2 to 4.50 each. Bedspreads 80c. 75c. \$1, 1.25, 1.50, 2, 2.50 to 5 each. Sheets 50c. 60c. 75c. each. Pillow slips, 10c. 12½c. 15c. 17c. 20 to 70 each.

FANCY ARTICLES.

Under this head we enumerate all those articles made of silk, linen, cotton and lace, and known as fancy work, such as head rests, throws, tidies, sideboard, dresser and wash stand scarfs, etc. Pillows 35c. 50c. 75c. \$1 to 5. Head rests 10c. 15c. 25c. 35c. 50c. Pin cushions 10c. 15c. 25c. to 40c.

FANCY GOODS MATERIAL.

Ladies who make articles of fancy work for their friends will always find our stock contains the very latest materials. The Brainers & Armstrong wash silks are without a peer as regards quality.

FOR THE MEN.

We confine ourselves to staple articles in this line, but they are all the more desirable. Most every one knows of our 50c. unlaundried shirts. All the goodness possible is packed into a shirt there and it represents a dollar's worth judged by furnishing store prices. Six of one size for \$2.75; laundried shirts just as good, 69c; linen collars, 15c. 2 for 25c. Linen cuffs 15c. 20c. 25c. per pr.

WOOL DRESS GOODS.

Nowhere in the store can more beauty and usefulness be found than in our dress goods stock and nowhere can all purposes be better suited. We have hundreds of single pattern lengths selected especially for holiday trade. Patterns \$1.50, 1.75, 1.95, 2.50, 3, 4, 5 to 25. By the yard 10c. 12½c. 15c. 25c. 35c. 50c. 75c. \$1 to 3.

Handkerchiefs.

No article is more universally sold for presents than handkerchiefs. When nothing else can be thought of the despairing mind turns to handkerchiefs. We sell hundreds of dozens every year and our stock is now larger than ever before. Ladies, 5c. 10c. 15c. 20c. 25c. 35c. 50c. 75c. \$1 to \$7.50 each. Children's 1c. 2½c. 3c. 5c. 10c. 15c. 20c. 25c. 35c. 50c. Men's 5c. 10c. 15c. 20c. 25c. 35c. 50c. each.

Wash Wrapper Materials.

All ladies enjoy house gowns and wrappers and the materials for making them, make presents that are appreciated. In our wash goods department can be found a handsome line of the desirable stuffs. Satinets, 10c. 12½c. 15c. to 25c. per yd. Percales, 10c. and 12½c. a yard. Outing cloths, 7½c. 8½c. 10, 12½c. eoc backs, 8½c. 10, 12½c. 15c. a yd. German 18c. yd. French Flannels 60c. yd.

Silks and Velvets.

In this department we have round materials suitable for the little tots or the grandmothers. A ages can wear silks. We show all the latest weaves in plain blacks and a wealth of fancies. Dress patterns, \$6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15 and 20. Waist patterns, \$2, 2.50, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00 to 10.00. Velvet, and corduroys, 50c. 75c. \$1.00 1.25 1.50 per yd.

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

GOOD READING FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

Jolly Jack O' Lantern—The Boy and the Bear—When Willie Went Walcutting—Keeping with the Gang—Good Advice for Little Readers.



NE wild autumn night, when the world was asleep, And the sun was in bed, tucked up tight, The Moon made a party and asked all to come Who would stand on the scene any light.

The affair was quite brilliant, Quite sparkling, brilliant, And the guests all with radiant shine; All were heard to declare that this brilliant affair Was the finest that ever was known.

The stars were all there, and a big comet, too, And a great crowd of meteors bright; And swarms upon swarms of gay, dancing fireflies To the lustrous scene added their mite. To the beaming and gleaming Of golden light streaming From above, in the star-bedded skies, Was the pale, modest glow of the glow-worm below And the glim of the dancing fireflies.

A jolly Jack O' Lantern appeared on the scene And his face wore a broad, happy smile; He gazed at the moon and he blinked at the stars, And then talked with the fireflies awhile; And as morning was breaking And guests were leaving-taking, While the dawn was yet fresh, new and crisp, Jolly Jack ran away—so the goings all say— With a wandering Will-o-the-Wisp. ARTHUR J. BURDICK.

The Boy and the Man. Coleridge Patterson—a scholar at Eton, one of England's famous historic schools—was a high spirited lad, and a great favorite in the cricket eleven of the school, for he was an uncommonly good player. At the club suppers "Colley," as the boys called him, was disturbed by the questionable jests and stories of some of the members and at length declared publicly that he should protest against anything like indecency in the conversation or in the songs that were sung. Notwithstanding this, at the next meeting one of the boys began to sing a malicious ditty, and "Colley" rose indignantly to his feet.

"If this sort of thing goes on I shall leave the room," he said. The singer continued, and "Colley" marched out. The next day he wrote to the captain of the eleven, and assured him that unless he received an apology he should quit the club. He was too important a man to lose, and the apology was sent. The trial of feeling to the young fellow who made it could have been no greater than the trial of demanding it and risking a refusal; for, like all enthusiastic cricket-players, "Colley" was passionately fond of the game. But he loved character better than cricket, and the outcome was a victory of principle. Here was the kind of boy of which martyrs are made. The spirit that emboldened him to resent villainies sent him afterward to present Christianity to a pagan people. A group of islands north of New Guinea in the South Pacific became the brave man's field of labor, and there he fell a victim to heathen cruelty. But death has not erased from the memory of earth his example of manly courage and loyal discipleship. The story of the boy of Eton and "Martyr Bishop of Melanesia" is told here—and will be told for many a year to come—to kindle fearless virtue in other minds, and impress a noble lesson of Christ-like sacrifice.

When Willie Went Walcutting. Wisconsin's wild winds were whistling when Willie Wade went walcutting. Warmly wrapped was Willie, with woollen wrapper, wadded waistcoat with warm wristlets. Winnie Wade wondered why Willie wouldn't wait warmer weather, when Willie would walcut with Willie. Willie wandered where Walter West was wheeling wood, with wonderful wheelbarrow, wishing Walter would walcut.

Without wasting words, Walter whistled, "Whew! walnuts will wait while wood won't." Where walnuts were, woodmen were working with waddy-wheeled wagon, with worn, weary, wretched work-horse, which was wasted with weakness, which was well worn-out with work.

Woodman a Wheeler waggishly wrenched Willie's water-pail, whereupon water wet Willie's winks; Willie was worried. "Why weep, Willie? Weep women weep with weep, Walnuts, Willie!"

When walnuts were wiped Woodman Wheeler went with Willie where walnuts were. Willie's wooden water-pail was well-filled, while we were wrenched, well-splashed wrenched. Willie waded waded while Walter waded waded with waddy-wheeled wagon, which was well worn-out with work.

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When well-warmed Willie wondered where water was, willows waved, where, when weather was warmer, white waxes water-lilies were wakened.

Willie waded where waddy-wheeled water-fowl wouldn't wait Willie's welcome.

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Strictly Cash!