



Tips From Santa Claus

There is nothing that will please and surprise a man more than the kind of gift he would buy for himself were its selection left to him, and of course if he were buying for himself he would buy at a man's store.

We know men's preferences. We are men ourselves and it is our business to know what men like, so you can't go wrong if you select men's gifts here. You will have no difficulty in finding suitable gifts for all the men folks, young or old.

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Tie, Tie Clasp, Garters, Handkerchiefs.

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Ties, Tie Clasps, Sox, Collars, Belts, Suspenders, Scarf Pins, Buttons, Tie Ring.

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Sox, Ties, Pins, Buttons, Shirts, Caps, Collar Bag, Tie Ring, Cane.

For \$1.50

Mufflers, Bates-Street Shirts, Gloves, Ties, Dozen Collars, Sox, Collar Bag, Tie Rings.

For \$2.00

Sweaters, Underwear, Muffler, Gloves, Ties, Pajamas, Shoe Bag.

For \$3.50

Umbrellas, Fancy Vests, Bath Robes, Auto Caps, Hats, Boys' Suits or Overcoats, Dozen Initial Handkerchiefs.

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"For Men Who Know"



COMMISSIONER OF LABOR AND PRINTING ISSUES REPORT

Special to The News.
Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 14.—Hon. M. L. Shipman, commissioner of labor and printing, has completed the "trades" chapter of his 1911 report.

The act creating the department contemplated only the collection of information upon the subject of labor, its relation to capital, the hours of labor, the earnings of laboring men and women, their educational, moral and financial conditions, and the best means of promoting their mental, material, social and moral prosperity. But a slight departure from the general condition affecting wage-earners, in a broad sense of the term, is shown in the compilation of information obtained from the correspondents who are engaged in the various "trades" themselves.

But for the continually increasing cost of living it might be said that the condition of the persons employed in what are known as the trades show a very satisfactory state of affairs. The cotton mill industry is perhaps the only one where there is lack of normal employment. During the last year the depression in the markets for this class of goods has been so acute that numbers of mills have run on short time, while still others have been closed down for periods of more or less duration.

In the building trades there has been a noticeable improvement over last year, and the demand for various manufactured articles entering into the construction of these buildings has been stimulated to such an extent as to benefit other lines.

The class commonly known as day laborers have also been supplied almost continuously with employment.

Many of these are employed in excavating, handling and hauling of material, and the numberless unclassified duties of helpers to the skilled laborers. Street and steam railway construction, hydroelectric development, to say nothing of the endless opportunity for farm employment, have opened the way for almost all able-bodied men, of whatever degree of capability for steady employment.

The cities and towns are still overrun with vagrants, mostly negroes. For some reason that we are unable to locate, too little is being done to reduce the evils of this condition.

Summary.

The average wages of the different trades are as follows: blacksmiths, \$2.50; bricklayers, \$3.41; boiler-makers, \$2.22; cabinet makers, \$2.50; carpenters, \$2.37; conductors, \$3.60; contractors, \$2.17; coppersmiths, \$3.50; engineers, \$5.17; firemen, \$1.90; letter carriers, \$2.93; linotype operators, \$3.56; liverymen, \$1.00; machinists, \$2.92; moulders, \$2.67; painters, \$3.00; patternmakers, \$4.00; plasterer, \$3.83; pressmen, \$2.00; printers, \$3.18; railway conductors, \$4.55; stonemasons, \$3.00; street railway employees, \$2.00; supervisors, \$3.50; textile workers, \$1.55; tinner, \$2.00; trainmasters, \$4.00.

The per cent who read and write by trades is as follows: blacksmiths, journeymen 71, apprentices 40; brick-masons, journeymen 83, apprentices 62 1-2; boiler-makers, journeymen 100, apprentices 100; cabinetmakers, journeymen 85, apprentices 85; conductors, journeymen 100, apprentices 100; contractors, journeymen 93, apprentices 90; coppersmiths, journeymen 66 2-3, apprentices 66 2-3; engineers, journeymen 100, apprentices 100; firemen, journeymen 90; letter carriers, journeymen 100, apprentices 100; linotype operators, journeymen 50, apprentices 33; machinists, journeymen 100, apprentices 95; painters, journeymen 85, apprentices 97; patternmakers, journeymen 100; plasterers, journeymen 100; pressmen, journeymen 100; apprentices 100; printer, journeymen 100, apprentices 100; railway conductors, journeymen 100, apprentices 100; street railway employees, journeymen 100, apprentices 100; textile workers, journeymen 80; tinner, journeymen 80, apprentices 50; trainmasters, journeymen 100, apprentices 100.

The age at which apprentices should enter trade is reported as follows: blacksmiths, 18; brickmasons, 16; boiler-makers, 17 1-2; cabinetmakers, 18; carpenters, 17; conductors, 25; contractors, 17; coppersmiths, 16; engineers, 17; firemen, 16; letter carriers 19; linotype operators, 15; liverymen, 14; machinists 16; moulders, 17; painters, 17; patternmakers, 15; plasterers, 17; pressmen, 18; printers, 14; railway conductors, 20; stonemasons, 18; textile workers, 19; tinner, 15; trainmasters, 21.

The years an apprentice should serve in the different trades is reported as follows: blacksmiths, 3; brickmasons, 3 1/2; boiler-makers, 4; cabinetmakers, 3; carpenters, 3 1-2; contractors, 3; engineers, 3 1-2; firemen, 1; letter carriers, 3-4; linotype operators, 4; liverymen, 3; machinists, 4; moulders, 4; painters, 3; patternmakers, 4; plasterers, 3; pressmen, 3; printers, 4; railway conductors, 3; stonemasons, 3; surveyors, 4; textile workers, 3; tinner, 3; trainmasters, 4.

AN ALARM AT NIGHT
That strikes terror to the entire household is the loud, hoarse and metallic cough of croup. No mistaking it, and fortunate then the lucky parents who keep Foley's Honey and Tar Compound on hand. H. W. Casselman, Canton, N. Y., says: "It is worth its weight in gold. Our children are troubled with croup and hoarseness, and all we give them is Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. I always have a bottle of it in the house." Bowen Drug Store.

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Schedule in Effect June 11, 1911.

12:30 am Lv. Charlotte So. Ry. 1:50 pm. 2:50 pm Lv. Winston N.W. 1:00 pm. 3:05 pm Lv. Morrisville N.W. 1:10 pm. 4:20 pm Lv. Asheville N.W. 1:35 pm.

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Go to your druggist and get a 50-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin now, and you will always go to the table with a hearty appetite, and what you eat will taste good, because your stomach and intestines will be clean and fresh, and you will know there are not going to be any more bad nights and miserable days, for you. They freshen you and make you feel like life is worth living.

TO ELIMINATE "FOOL GRADUATE"
Topeka, Kan., Dec. 14.—The elimination of the "fool graduate" is the plan of the Kansas educational commission, which is holding a session here. The commission has instituted an educational survey of the state and is finding out all about cost and efficiency in schools of all classes.

"The phrase 'fool graduate' is far too popular to be without some basis," said William Allen White, of Emporia, editor and member of the commission, yesterday. There is a profound feeling throughout America, and especially in Kansas, that lots of stuff taken on by the child and youth in the guise of education is what lawyers call incompetent, irrelevant and immaterial, and not the best of education.

"We are getting information to show whether it pays to give the ordinary boy or girl who becomes a business man or mechanic or a mother, a course in higher mathematics and algebra and the geography of Kamchatka, and to neglect to educate them in the knowledge of trees, grasses, crops and to know the names of the creeks of his township.

WITH THE COMING OF MIDDLE AGE
There is a letting down in the physical forces often shown in an annoying and painful skiny and bladder ailments and urinary irregularities. Foley Kidney Pills are a splendid regulating and strengthening medicine at such a time. Try them. Bowen's Drug Store.

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Croup, pleurisy and all diseases affecting the lungs and bronchial tubes are sudden in their attacks, and must be promptly met with a curative agent such as

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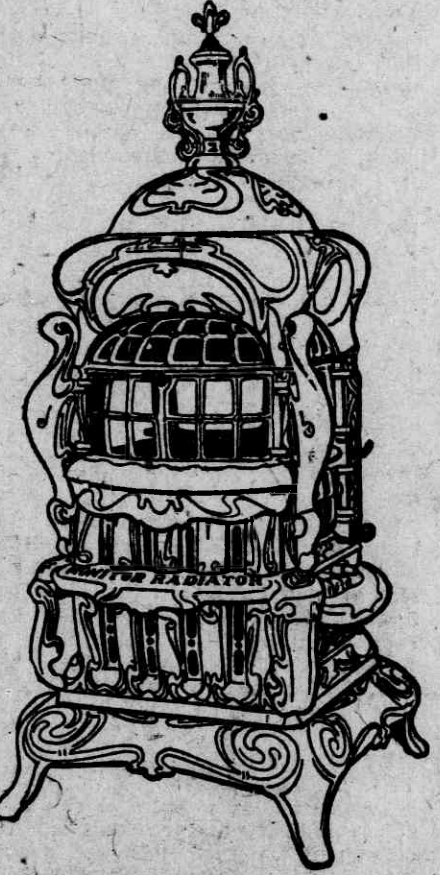
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REWARD FOR FORMER POLICE SERGEANT OF UNION.

Special to The News.
Union, S. C., Dec. 14.—Reward of \$200.00 for the apprehension and return of C. B. Gregory, formerly police sergeant, who recently disappeared, leaving the city short \$424.50 and the police department deficit of \$235.00.

This action has just been taken by the city council and every effort is now to be made to capture Gregory, who left for parts unknown about Nov. 30th. At that time claiming he was going off on other purposes but the next day it being discovered that he had left a note to his wife saying he was leaving and an investigation was made showing his defalcations.

In addition to the shortage in city and police funds it appears that he had also forged several checks, one with

the name of H. H. Hicks and another M. H. Evans, chief of police to a check for \$25.00.

It is also said that he has numerous creditors from which he secured cash as well as goods, among them being a loan of \$100.00 from Marvin Charles. Another a fifty dollar note, which had been indorsed by several citizens. Besides these he left several merchants with checks for \$20.00 each, which are entirely valueless, bought shoes to the amount of \$18.00 from two concerns and before it was known or suspected that he was short in his accounts a suit-case from another concern.

Gregory is described as a man five feet, 11 inches tall, weight 175 to 180, black mustache and hair, rather bald, a small x mark on cheek. He leaves here a wife and two children.

The city council has elected to succeed Gregory as sergeant, Officer E. B. Wood and has added to the police force J. G. Howell and James Howard to fill vacancies.

Subject to a kind of disease, which at times they called lack of money.—Rabelais.

NO CHRISTMAS PARADISES IN GEORGIA.

Special to The News.
Atlanta, Dec. 14.—There will be no Christmas pardons in Georgia this year—that is practically none, granted merely out of sympathy and because it is the holiday season. Governor John M. Slaton is as human and as tender hearted as any other official, but the fact that he is in office for only sixty days, and at that only as acting governor, has led him to believe that he should be extremely conservative in the exercise of the pardon power. He will grant no pardons, it is understood, unless there is some very special and imperative reason therefor.

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR STRIPING CHILDREN.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 14.—A subscription is being taken up by people of Atlanta to carry Christmas cheer to the young children of Thomas W. Stripling, the former police chief of Danville, a, who is now serving sentence, the sad circumstances of the family arousing much sympathy.

"Your Opportunity—Our Mistake."
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