

OTTIS GREEN'S SUGGESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

**Express Wagons
Skates, Sleds,
Pocket Knives,
Tool Chests,
Air Rifles, Shotguns
Ammunition**

We have purchased the entire wholesale and retail stock of the Asheville Hardware Co. and are better prepared than ever before to care for the great Holiday trade. The retail stock has already been disposed of and the immense wholesale stock has been added to our already complete line of hardware.

We started business here six years ago and today we have the largest and best equipped hardware store in western North Carolina. We carry only the best and strongest lines to be found on the market today and our motto "A pleased customer is our best advertisement" has made our business a phenomenally successful one. We cater to everybody, especially farmers, housekeepers, blacksmiths, etc. We especially invite dealers and merchants to investigate the many strong lines we carry in our wholesale department. We are sole agents for the famous Favorite Ranges and Oliver Chilled Plows. In our clerical department we have the strongest organization of experienced men ever gathered together under one roof in Asheville. Mr. Robert Long, our most experienced man, has seen twenty-six years' service with the Asheville Hdw. Co. Messrs. John Hollingsworth and H. B. Proffitt have been fifteen years with the same firm. Mr. Sam Tannahill, of Augusta, Ga., is also an experienced hardware man. Messrs. Porter Henderson and Ottis Green joined the ranks of this already strong force six years ago. These gentlemen will at all times be glad to give our friends and customers prompt and courteous attention.

**\$500 worth of
Pocket Knives by
Express Saturday
See our Window
Display**

GIVE HIM A RAZOR SET

Break him of the habit of buying his shaves—make it easy and clean for him; give him a Razor. Can't shave himself? Why, of course he can with one of our safety razors. The man who never held a razor in his hand before can use a safety to perfection, and to the best advantage. Our Christmas stock of razors include Gillette's, \$5; Durham Duplex, \$5; Keen Kutter, \$3.50; Enders, \$1; Ever-Ready, \$1; Auto Strop, \$5.00. All these are packed in charming little boxes, ready to hand or send to him. Of course the old fashioned razor is here in all of its goodness, and a variety par-excellent.

An enormous display of pocket knives—the always popular gift for the boy or for the man. The pocket knife solves the problem when you only wish to make a nice little gift to the boy or to a gentleman. You would be surprised to know the number of men who are wanting pocket knives this Christmas. We have seen them looking over the knife stock, and heard expressions from the men which favor knives this Christmas.

Hobby Horses, Steam Engines, Small Wagons, Hand Carts, Velocipedes, Coaster Wagons, Repeater Cap Busters, Toy Cook Stoves, Air Rifles.

We have the agency for Cypher's Incubator Brooders, Foods and Remedies for Chickens, etc., and the first of the year we will be demonstrating the superior qualities of these goods. Cypher's, you know, is the best producer of brooders and goods of this kind.

**Icy-Hot Bottles
fine for your
Hunting Trip
\$1.00 to \$6.50
Get One**

Of course there's everything here in Ammunition and Firearms, including the best makes of Shot Guns and Rifles.

If the boy is careful there's no danger in giving him a gun—a Stevens' Rifle is the thing. No better rifle made for the price.

A variety of fire sets to grace the fireside.

Coal Vases in abundance; not a bad present for the home by any means.

The Universal Means best on everything; the Universal Bread Mixer.

Universal Food Choppers in various sizes, inexpensive gift.

Beautiful Enameled Ware, Tin Ware, etc.

Carving Sets—We are awfully strong on these, there being a line representing the world's best. Certainly you cannot improve on this for a present. We have them in handsome handles, buckhorn, pearl handles, and the like. Do not overlook this display when you come in. It's a wonder.

Our stock of Ranges and the utensils that make cooking a pleasure are all here in abundance, and the brands we offer are strictly the best; prices surprisingly low for the excellent quality.

We also recommend the "Perfection" Heater; it will do the work well for you these cold mornings.

**Xmas Gifts
For Everybody**

Chafing Dishes. My, but this is the queen of gifts. There's nothing so charming for the little family as a chafing dish. If you are house-keeping you ought to have one; if you board you must have one in your room to make merry when the boarding house meals lag. We not only display a large line, but are making special holiday prices.

Bake that Christmas Turkey in a Savory Roaster. Your dinner will be the success you wish it if you use a Savory Roaster; inexpensive, and sure to please.

Coffee Percolators—What's so charming for a gift for the dear little wife who has been laboring to please you with the old coffee pot. Lighten her burdens, add a percolator to your list of gifts, you will soon observe a difference in the coffee. There cannot be too many scissors in the home. Why not give something really "foxy" white you are giving—gold plated scissors.

Scissors and Manicure Sets are the old holiday favorites. They are always popular because useful. Our stock reveals some new and novel articles in this line.

We have the Standard Oil make of the Rayo lamp; very reasonable in price.

**See Us Before
You Buy**

OTTIS GREEN HARDWARE COMPANY, No. 11 Pack Square

SECOND GAME WON ALSO BY ASHEVILLE Y. M. C. A.

Local Basketball Team Takes
Both Games from Charlotte.

The Charlotte Y. M. C. A. basketball team suffered its second consecutive

defeat at the hands of the local team Saturday night, the score being 21 to 19. The first game was played Friday night, when a series was begun to decide the Y. M. C. A. championship of the state, and was won by the locals 21 to 20. The close scores in both these contests seem to indicate that these two aggregations are pretty evenly matched and does not necessarily imply by any means, that the locals will have an easy time in winning the championship, as the next two games will be played in Charlotte, and that team can doubtless do better there than away from home.

Saturday night's game was a hard fought one from beginning to end, and

during the first half, it looked as if the visitors were going to win in an easy manner as the score stood 13 to 5 at the end of that period. The Asheville boys had failed to get together up to that time, however, and when they came back in the next half they went after their opponents in a way that showed their determination to win. On the other hand, the visitors came in after the first period without as much spirit as they had hitherto displayed, and their efforts seemed to be ineffective to a large extent, although there was no indication of their laying down on the proposition.

BLACKMAIL CHARGED

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Four Southside Armenian business men were arrested by Postal Inspector James E. Stewart, yesterday, all charged with attempting to secure \$10,000 from two of Chicago's wealthiest Armenians by means of alleged blackmail.

Garabed T. Pushman and Karekin T. Pushman, rug merchants are the men against whom the blackmail plot was directed, according to federal inspectors.

A series of special delivery letters was received by the Pushmans in which they and their families were threatened with death unless the money was delivered to the writers

according to directions. The Pushmans were told to wrap the money in a package, take it to a downtown hotel, where they would find another letter awaiting them at the clerk's desk, and follow the direction contained in the last letter.

A decoy package was prepared and under guard of federal inspectors the Pushmans did as ordered. The letter at the hotel desk ordered one of the Pushman brothers to take the money to a south side drug store. When Pushman reached the drug store, however, plans miscarried and Pushman could not find the man to whom he was to deliver the money. Information secured by the inspectors at this point, however, led to the arrests.

A Dialogue.

(Contributed)

"Mr. M.—I noticed that your son-in-law was up before the Police Judge for drunkenness. Where does he get the liquor?"

"Why not at the places where he used to. They are afraid to sell now for fear they will get arrested and so Jim sends off and gets it by express."

"How does he know where to send?"

"Haven't you seen it advertised big and plain. Jim don't read very well, but he can read whiskey wherever he sees it. Didn't you see it advertised on one of the bill boards?"

"Is it possible? Who superintends those boards? He ought to be arrested for allowing such advertise-

ments. He is breaking the law the same as the man who sells it.

"Can Jim write?"

"No, but he has a boy who has been to school, and is a bright, smart chap. He has to write the letters and send the money. I am afraid he will get to like the stuff that is the ruin of his father. Is there no way to keep it from coming into Asheville?"

"No, not now, but we hope there soon will be. There was a big meeting in Washington the other day, and the best men in the country asked for a law to keep liquor out of prohibition states. And they will get it too. Then your son-in-law will keep sober and no longer be poor and mean."

Savannah Automobile Races

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PALACE AND THEATRO
Next Tuesday and Wednesday

TODAY'S PROGRAM.

THEATRO

Romance of the Desert..... Pathe
An Island Comedy..... Edison
The City of Bordeaux..... Garmont

PALACE

The Rise and Fall of Weary Willie..... Edison
The Old Confectioner's Mistake..... Biograph
The Just Prince..... Garmont