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Just six more short shopping days to Christmas. And every day you put it off means a possible disappointment in getting the gifts you want to buy.

Where parents used to almost have to beat a boy to death before making him mind, they now find that a mild "Henry, don't do that!" answers all purposes and that Henry is about the best-behaved boy imaginable. However, there's a reason for all things.

SEARCHING FOR HAPPINESS.

A New York professor, in a recently published article, makes the assertion that "in nine cases out of ten, the poor man is far happier than the man of great wealth." He goes on to say that by "poor man" he does not mean the man who doesn't know where his next meal comes from, but the average salaried man, with a comfortable little home and able to afford a few luxuries.

There has been much said and written on this subject and there will be undoubtedly much more in the future. And every class holds a different view on the subject. The poor man is envious of his richer brother. He sees only that the man of wealth is able to purchase whatever he wishes. The rich man, on the other hand, having everything that money can buy, very often is made to do without those things which the man without much money enjoys. For example, the wealthy man's health may be poor, he may not be able to eat what food he desires, his home life may be unhappy and his friends may be few and insincere. These the poor man may have, but, having them, he does not appreciate them. And this brings us to the bottom of it all. It merely goes to show that we are never happy with what we have and that we always imagine happiness lies in that which we do not have.

The man with a fair income, wife, children, a good position and a comfortable home, thinks that his lot is a hard one because he cannot afford to buy an automobile or two or take a trip to Palm Beach whenever he feels like it. He doesn't consider the blessings that are already his, but ignores them merely because HE HAS THEM!

And the man with millions, broken down in health, gazes enviously at the laborer as he goes about his day's work and mutters: "I'd give everything I have if I were in that fellow's place!"

And thus it goes on through life. When we are young, we want to be old; when we are old, we long for youth again. When we are at work we long to be able to loaf as long as we want to; when we are out of a job, we'd give anything to be back at work again. The quiet, stay-at-home man envies the politician or man in public life, and the latter eagerly awaits the day when he can go back to his home and get away from the demands of the public. Everyone thinks that the other fellow is getting the cream of life and that his is filled with skimmed milk. It's a funny old world and we're a funny people, but we all appear to be made that way and it can't be helped, so what's the use of worrying about it?

THE PREDICAMENT OF GREECE.

Greece has practically given herself over to the allies. She has conceded them everything they asked for. She has given away rights which, if they were demanded of our own country, would have resulted in bitter war before they were yielded.

The action of Greece in this matter has aroused much comment, but she has apparently acted with the best interests of her people in mind, although it can hardly be said that she is enjoying "peace with honor."

The fate of Servia and Rumania has been a lesson to Greece. She has no intention of fighting against the Central Powers, for she fears that what has befallen these two countries may also befall her. On the other hand, she does not wish to antagonize the allies for two reasons. First, her own people are not united, but are divided in civil war. Second, the allies could place a blockade on the country that would starve Greece into submission in a comparatively short time.

So Greece has decided that the best thing to do was to keep on good terms with both sides and give them everything they ask as long as they did not drag her into war. She has shown herself to be rather weak and vascillating and the opinion of the other countries of her is not a very high one. However, she is out of the war and she evidently intends to stay out.

THE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION MEETING.

The Seaboard Medical Association, of which Dr. D. T. Tayloe of this city is president, will meet in annual convention here next week.

Washington should feel highly honored at having been selected as the meeting place for this distinguished body of men and it is hoped that our citizens will do everything in their power to make their stay here a most pleasant one.

A number of meetings will be held by the medicos at which several interesting papers will be read. Most of these meetings will be public and both men and women have been invited to hear them. It will undoubtedly please the visitors if a large attendance of our people is present at these meetings and we sincerely hope that as many as can attend will do so.

The business men of Washington have responded liberally to the Community Christmas tree fund. More money is needed, however. Additional contributions can be sent to the Daily News and these will be credited through the columns of the paper and the money will be turned over to the finance committee. It is desired to make the Christmas tree an event which will be highly successful in every way and which will be long remembered by both children and the grown-ups.

A large number of children are expected from the country and the parents are urged to bring them to town on the evening of Christmas day and let them enjoy the occasion. An interesting and enjoyable program will be rendered and gifts will be distributed.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Washington, N. C., will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 9th, 1917, at 12 o'clock noon.

A. M. SUMAY, Cashier.

12-4-to 1-8.

The Town Gossip

I'M WRITING this.
RATHER EARLY.
IN THE morning.
AND HAVEN'T had a chance.
TO GET out yet.
AND SEE.
WHETHER ANY of the readers.
OF THE Town Gossip.
ARE GOING to contribute.
TO THE fund.
FOR THE Christmas tree.
AND I hope.
THAT THERE will be many.
WHO WILL do so.

I HAPPEND to be.
IN WILLIAM Bell's.
JEWELRY STORE.
YESTERDAY.
AND MR. Fuller came in.
AND HE'S from Pawtucket.
IN RHODE Island.
AND COMES here.
EVERY WINTER.

IN HIS yacht.
AND WE started talking.
ABOUT THE amount of gold.
THERE IS in the country.
AND I told him.
THAT I had read.
THAT IF all the gold.
IN THE United States.
WERE MELTED.
AND PUT in a cube.
IT WOULD form a block.
TWENTY-ONE FEET long.
AND WIDE and thick.
AND HE said.
THAT IT would make.
MORE THAN that.
AND HE started talking.
ABOUT THE rich men.
IN THE country.
AND HE said:
"THERE'S ROCKEFELLER.
"AND CARNEGIE.
"AND SCHWAB.
"AND ALL those fellows.

"AND THEY'RE worth.
"HUNDREDS OF millions.
"AND A million dollars.
"ISN'T ANYTHING."
"AND MEN who boast.
"OF BEING millionaires.
"ARE COMMON.
"AND A million dollars.
"IS NOTHING."
AND I agreed with him.
AND IT did seem.
THAT A mere million.
WAS CHICKEN feed.
AND HARDLY worth.
BOTHERING ABOUT.
AND I went out.
AND FINGERED.
THE SEVENTEEN cents.
IN MY pocket.
AND SOMEHOW or other.
THAT MILLION dollars.
SEEMED MIGHTY big again.
I THANK you.

P. S.—DON'T FORGET.
TO CONTRIBUTE.
TO THE Town Gossip.
CHRISTMAS TREE fund.
AND I want to add it.
TO THE money.
THAT HAS already.
BEEN RAISED.
AND SHOW the people.
THAT SOMETIMES.
A LOT OF good.
CAN COME out of.
A LOT of foolishness.
I THANK you again.

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NOTICE OF SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a deed of trust executed by R. F. Forrest and H. D. Forrest to the undersigned Trustee on June 25, 1915, the same being of record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Beaufort County in Book 167, page 521, the undersigned will sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder at the court house door of Beaufort County on Monday, January 15, 1917, at twelve o'clock noon, those two tracts or parcels of land conveyed by said deed of trust, and being therein described as follows, to-wit:

1. Beginning at a corner opposite an old road known as the Branch road, running with said ditch to the main road to the head of Gum Branch, thence down Gum Branch its various courses, to Hill Creek thence down Hill Creek to the mouth of Maple Branch, thence up Maple Branch to the main County Road and up said branch to the corner of T. G. Harding and wife, thence with a line of marked trees to the beginning, containing 100 acres, more or less, saving and excepting the grave yard.

2. Beginning on the main road from Washington to Blounts Creek at Maple Branch; thence with the various courses of Maple Branch to D. F. Shull's line on Mill Creek, thence with Shull's line to Poplar Branch, thence with the run of Poplar Branch to the mill landing road to a stake, thence North 60 East 39 ¾ poles to the public road, and with the road to the beginning, containing 30 acres, more or less.

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W. B. RODMAN, JR., Trustee.
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NOTICE OF SALE.

Under and by virtue of a deed of trust from J. D. O'Neal and wife, Laura O'Neal to the undersigned A. D. MacLean, Trustee, dated July 22, 1907, recorded in the Register's office of Beaufort County in Book 149, page 259, the undersigned will, on the 12th day of January, 1914, sell, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, before the Court House door of Beaufort County, the following described real estate:

In the State of North Carolina, County of Beaufort, lying just East of the City of Washington and being a part of Washington Park, and known and described as lot No. 2 in Block 8 on the map of the property known as Washington Park, which said map is duly recorded in the Register's office of Beaufort County; said lot lying on the North side of Isabella Avenue, fronting thereon a width of fifty feet, and extends Northwardly from said Avenue, between parallel lines, parallel to Pine Street, a distance of 140 feet, to an alley.

This December 10th, 1916.

A. D. MacLEAN, Trustee.
12-12-4wc.