

Your Christmas Dinner.



Only one more day—and then a double-Christmas. And what would Christmas be without good things to eat? Let us see that you are well supplied for the two biggest days in the year.

Oranges

California Navels, sweet and juicy, doz. 25c, 35c, 50c

Cranberries, qt. 12c
Holly Wreaths, 10c, 15c
Christmas Bells, 5c, 10c, 20c
Xmas Post Cards, 2 for 5c
Xmas Booklets, 15c
Cigars, box, 25c and up
Bananas, doz. 20c
Grapes, lb. 15c
Figs, pkg. 10c
Dried, pkg. 10c

Nuts

English Walnuts, lb. 25c
Mixed Nuts, lb. 20c
Grape Fruit, each 10c
Popcorn, lb. 5c
Oysters, qt. 35c
Sweet Potatoes, 8 lbs. 25c
Currants, lb. 8c
Raisins, lb. 8c
Prunes, lb. 10c
Lettuce, lb. 20c
Celery, 3 stalks 10c
Dainty Duchess Flour 66c

Christmas Candy

Large supply of Candy for the Holidays from 10c to 40c lb. Broken Taffy, 15c lb. Lowney's Chocolates from 25c to 75c per box.

Royal Valley Coffee

You have taken all kinds of pains with your Christmas cooking. Why not use the same care in the kind of Coffee you set before your guests?

Your dinner will be a bigger success—your Christmas a Merrier one—if you serve ROYAL VALLEY Tzar or Nero Coffee with it.

The more exquisite flavor of these better, richer Coffees will be a revelation to you.

And in appetizing aroma and good, satisfying body they are not equaled by any other Coffee you can buy for less than 15c more per pound.

Tzar is 35c and Nero 25c per pound

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas, we remain yours to please

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Farmington, Michigan

'SAVE MONEY'

I have decided to cut out canvassing which costs money, so I will give you the benefit of a

FIVE DOLLAR (\$5.00)

cut in price on Spreads making the price \$105.00 and \$110.

Yours for business

H. W. LEE

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Mary Kennedy was in Detroit Wednesday.

Earl Gullen leaves for home for the holidays tomorrow.

The library will not be open this week. December 31st is the next date.

Farmington J. Basket Ball team will play the Duffields of Detroit in the town hall tonight.

Men will fight for their politics, but how quiet some of them do keep about their religion.

Mrs. J. J. Moore has returned from Kansas City, Mo., where she had been visiting her brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Perry and baby of Capac, are visiting Mrs. S. J. Walker and family.

Miss Edessa Wagner, who has been attending school at Auburn, Ind., is home for the holidays.

The funeral of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Teagan will be held from the home tomorrow afternoon.

There will be a New Year's party at the Hotel Grace Friday evening, Dec. 30. Stone's orchestra. Bill, 50 cents.

Mrs. Cloyse Steele, Mrs. J. H. Johnson and Mrs. C. H. Adams were among the Detroit visitors Thursday.

Earl Gullen left for Brantford, Ontario, last Sunday, to spend the holidays with his parents at Grandview, Brantford.

Christmas shopping has been in full blast this week. Many a man has been asked for an extra dollar to buy himself a present.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Helmer of Mt. Pleasant, are spending a week at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Potter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pray and friend, Miss Opal Dickerson, of Delta, Ohio, will spend the holidays with friends and relatives here.

Three business places were entered in Royal Oak last Saturday night by unknown persons and a small quantity of loot taken from each place.

Herbert Scruton, Miss Gerlie Hall and Miss Lily Dungey, all of Brantford, Ontario, will be visiting at the M. E. parsonage during the holidays.

Epworth League business meeting and election of officers, at the parsonage Monday evening, Dec. 25. After business session a social hour will be spent. Everybody come.

The Cemetery Improvement association wish to say to those who contributed for the Quaker cemetery fence that it is on the ground and partly set, cold weather interfering with completion until spring.

Do not forget to come and have a good time with the girls and boys of the M. E. Sabbath-school at their annual Christmas tree exercises in the M. E. church Christmas eve, i. e. Saturday evening, Dec. 24. Keep the hour open; you will find it worth while. Exercises will begin promptly at seven o'clock.

Tramps will hereafter steer clear of Northville. Monday evening Night Policeman Lockwood put one in the cooler to keep warm and notified Day Chief Bogart to take care of him in time for breakfast. In the rush of Tuesday's business, Mr. Bogart forgot about the tramp until Wednesday, when the man was rescued in time for dinner. He was a hungry, cold-looking chap when let out, but withal happy.

An open meeting for installation of officers of Farmington Lodge, No. 153, F. & A. M., will be held on St. John's night, the 27th inst., at which time members and their families, together with members of Farmington chapter, No. 239 O. E. S., and their families are requested to be present. Resident Masons not members of the local lodge will be cordially welcomed. An entertainment and banquet will be provided.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Perry visited Fred S. Lee and wife at Redford Wednesday.

The two-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Graham died at their home at North Farmington Wednesday morning.

Lost—A black fur mitten near the M. R. church Tuesday morning. Finder please leave at W. H. Walter's store for Jack Spaulter.

Our merchants report a good holiday trade and with the good sleighing and one more day before Xmas they will dispose of their holiday goods.

The feather party held at the Owen House ball room Thursday evening was well attended and many a fine bird was secured for the Christmas dinner.

Home! What a hallowed name, how full of enchantment and how dear to every heart. How it touches every fibre of the soul and strikes every chord of the human heart with its angelic fingers. Nothing but death can break the spell. What tender associations are linked with home. What pleasing images and deep emotions it awakens. It calls upon the fondest memories of life, and opens in our nature the purest, deepest, richest, gush of covetous thought and feeling home. There is a place like home. Home of our childhood. How affection clings and hovers around thee with seraph wings.

KILLED HIMSELF

Frank Holtz of Oxford Committed Suicide

Frank Holtz, a former resident of this place, shot and killed himself at his home in Oxford Wednesday night with a 32-calibre revolver. Mr. Holtz was in the employ of the Michigan Central railroad company as tower man.

His wife had commenced suit for a divorce and the papers were served on him the day of his tragic death. It is stated that his wife left him three days before, and she was staying at the home of a neighbor.

Mrs. Holtz was formerly Mrs. Hannah Priest and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Turner, who reside west of Farmington. Both parties are well known here.

One of the queer epigrams in the graveyard of Old St. Paul's church at Norfolk, Virginia, reads: "Behold my grave, how low I lie! As you are now, so once was I. As I am now, so must you be. Then be prepared to follow—me."

It is said that during the Civil war a soldier was responsible for scratching on the tomb with his saber the additional lines: "To follow you I am not bent Until I know which way you went."

Be sweet for Christmas. Buy your candy at Schroder & Johnson's.

Holly Wreaths and Bells at Schroder & Johnson's.

See me about that Xmas gift. C. W. CHAMBERLAIN.

Christmas Cigars—25c a box and up at Schroder & Johnson's.

Christmas Socks and Caudy at Schroder & Johnson's.

Christmas Booklets at Schroder & Johnson's.

You will probably need something for Christmas in my line. Come and see me.

C. W. CHAMBERLAIN.

Forty-five dollar scale for \$18.00; \$10.00 washing machine, new, \$6.00. Edw. Eppinger, Clarecville, Mich.

For sweet Oranges go to Schroder & Johnson's.

Christmas bells are ringing at Schroder & Johnson's.

Abdo-Support Corsets at Cook & Co.'s.

SINGS ITS DEATH SONG.

A Peculiar Bird Found in the Jungles of South America.

There is a queer bird in the jungles of northern South America, which is called the "paraji" by the natives, but is known to science as the "calceat" curasson. It is chiefly remarkable because it sings its own death song.

It does not really sing, but makes a deep humming noise which sounds very much like the Spanish words "El muer" (the corpse lies here). It is while uttering this lugubrious chant that a South American traveler, who the paraji usually meets its death for the hunter can then easily track it to its retreat, and it falls a victim, as the Indians say, to its own death song.

If the paraji gets suspicious it immediately ceases humming, and that is a sure indication to the hunter that the bird has seen him on secret danger, a such a case the only thing for the hunter to do is to remain perfectly still. The bird may become reassured after waiting a while and again begin to hum. "The corpse lies here." It can be cautiously approached and killed.

If it is only wounded the paraji usually escapes, though it cannot fly much better than the ordinary domestic fowl. It is very fleet of foot and will outrun the hunter until it is lost in the dense undergrowth of the jungle. In the morning season the male paraji is at most conspicuous of birds and will cut its own kind whenever it meets them. Often the fight ends in the annihilation of both combatants.

SAVE FOR HIS WOUND.

A Spectacular Scene That Was Not on the Bill of the Play.

Giovanini Grasso, a Sicilian actor of unusual dramatic energy, was playing in Florence in one of his latest parts, where he tried to stab his enemy with a dagger. Suddenly, in the heat of his passion, Grasso let the weapon slip out of his hand. It alighted in the pit on a man's head, causing it slightly.

An indignant member of the audience lunged the knife back to the stage, where it was dexterously caught by Grasso. Raising it aloft in his hand and as if it were a sword, Grasso smashed it in two and then stamped upon it.

Then, with a swift bound, Grasso was in the pit beside the injured man. The next minute he had climbed back to the boards, with the victim in his arms.

After setting him in a chair Grasso threw himself on his knees and began a long entreaty for forgiveness. This was faintly greeted by the audience, a harassed playwright, who on his side begged to be allowed to return to his seat.

But this was not to be until Grasso, having continued, had bestowed as fewer than fifty resounding kisses on the man's blushing cheek.

The action was greeted with loud cheers, and after Grasso had gracefully bowed his thanks the play was resumed and successfully concluded.—LOS ANGELES EXPRESS.

Fairly Warned.

"Mr. Smith," spoke up the young lawyer, "I could here as a representative of your neighbor, Tom Jones, ask the commission to collect a debt due him."

"Congratulations," answered Mr. Smith, "on obtaining so permanent a job at such an early stage in your career."

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