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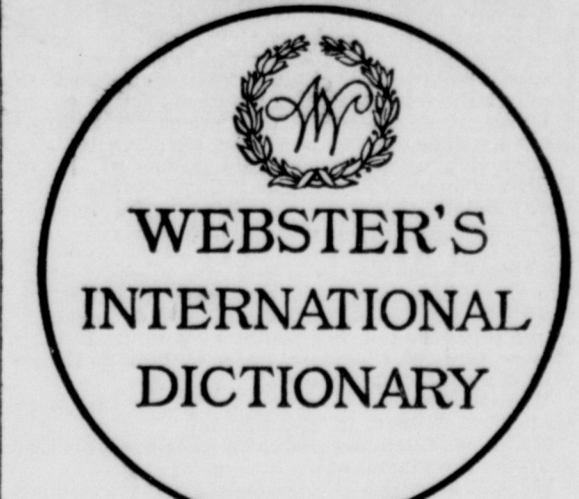
CHRISTMAS EVE.
The Miser's Hatred of the Word Christmas
 —His Thoughts and a Present.
 David Brewer shut the door of his shop
 with a bang. "Not a cent to be made-
 tomorrow," he said, tumbling with the
 lock, for he was an old man, "all for this
 nonsense over Christmas! Bah! How I
 hate the sound of the word!"
 As he turned the corner, the street was
 filled with people hurrying along, with
 bundles in their arms and smiles on their
 faces, and the sight only added to his
 exasperation.
 A little girl, with a shawl over her head
 stopped before him, and held up some
 bunches of herbs. "Please buy one, mis-
 ter. Only five cents a bunch! We ain't
 nothin' to eat in the house, and tomor-
 row's Christmas."
 The man looked at her, but said not a word.
 "They'd come handy when you're sick,"
 she said, gently, moving away.

of herbs she had. His mother used to
 give him penny-royal and catnip tea. He
 wondered if that girl really had nothing to
 eat. What did that Irish woman say about
 his being an old man? He wished she had
 held her tongue about dying!
 Yes, he was getting old—so his thoughts
 kept running on. Seventy years, and
 very one of them a year of selfishness and
 greed. Perhaps he would buy a bunch of
 herbs, if he saw that girl again tomorrow.
 In the early morning he crept out of
 bed, and into his clothes. He looked weak
 and ill as he slowly made his way down
 the stairs, stopping to thrust a slip of pa-
 per under the Irish woman's door. It held
 a ten-dollar bill, and on it were the words,
 "A Christmas present for the sick woman
 below."
 It was the one meagre offering of atone-
 ment and regret for long years of selfish-
 ness—the witness of a greedy soul, con-
 victed by conscience and appalled at the
 thought of death, to its apprehension of

walking her up and down for the last
 quarter of an hour. It's thirty pounds in
 my pocket if they kill her, but I've no luck."
 [The government allowed thirty pounds to
 an officer if his horse was killed in battle.]
 At that moment a bullet struck the
 colonel's sword-belt, and, slipping on a
 buckle, made the round of his portly waist,
 slightly grazing the skin. The colonel
 shrugged his shoulders and unfastened his
 belt.
 "Captain, you may be right," he said;
 "it is safer on the other side: those fel-
 lows are capable of missing the mare and
 treating me to another shot higher up.
 Only a foot lower and the mare would
 have had it, and I should have received
 thirty pounds. Provoking, 'pon my honor!"
 The mare was not hit during the whole
 campaign. On his return to Hannover,
 the colonel sold her, much to his disgust,
 for eight pounds. She ended her days be-
 tween the shafts of a four-wheeler.—*Youths*
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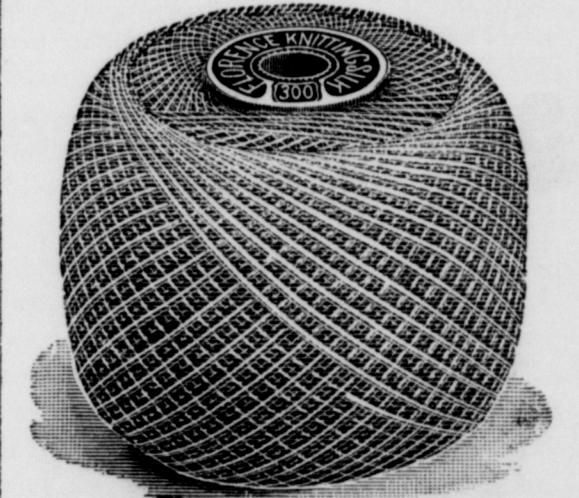
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PLOTTERS.

"Drat the brats and their Christmas!"
 he muttered, fiercely. "What do they
 mean, croaking 'sick' to me?"
 It was a long distance to his house, and
 he felt tired and chilled as he tumbled up
 the steep stairs. At the head of the second
 landing a door opened, and a woman thrust
 out her head.
 "A fine evening to ye, Mr. Brewer!
 Would ye mind stepping into me room a
 bit till I spake to ye? It's niver a stitch
 av work 'av the widdy downstairs done this
 two weeks, and three small children to
 kape! She's down sick av the faiver, and
 niver a cent to pay the rint tur the month—
 that's eight dollars."
 "Moike and me 'av made out to scrape
 together five dollars, and I've made bowld
 to ask ye tur the other three, being as ye're
 a single man and have no childer. We'd
 be makin' her a fine Christmas present!"
 "Not one cent will I give!" said David.
 "Shure, ye'll think it over the night."
 Three dollars would not be much for
 ye."
 "Three dollars is three hundred cents to
 me, and I don't mean to part with none of
 them," he answered as he started up the
 stairs.
 "It's little good yer money'll do ye when
 yer comer be dead," she called after
 him. "Shure, ye're an old man. Ye'd
 feel a bit aisier in yer mind thin, a-thinkin'
 ye'd helped a body in trouble. Happen
 now 'twould be a bit av treasure laid up
 tur ye in the next world. What ye give to
 the poor ye're lundin' to the Lord, and it's
 His own blessed Christmas day tomor-
 row!"
 The moon was shining through the little
 skylight as the old man crept it to bed.
 Somehow its pale light reminded him of
 the white face of the child with the shawl
 over her head. He wondered what kind

of the Divine declaration that we
 must all render an account to God for the
 deeds done in the body.
NO SALE.
**A German Colonel Who Was Anxious to
 get Rid of his Charge.**
 A wise commander may pardon the reck-
 lessness of young soldiers, full of animal
 spirits, and ambitious to distinguish them-
 selves by deeds of daring. But he will
 frown upon the veteran whose wantonness
 of courage makes him foolhardy, when
 duty does not oblige him to expose himself.
 Baron Malortie tells of a Waterloo veteran,
 a Colonel Volger, who did a very foolish
 thing in the first Holstein campaign.
 On the day before the storming of
 Duppel, he was on duty in the trenches.
 The gallant Danes who defended Duppel
 shot so accurately that no Prussian dared
 look over the earthworks. Suddenly, to
 the astonishment of his officers, Colonel
 Volger was seen riding his old gray mare
 up and down in front of the earthworks,
 and a shower of bullets.
 Thinking he had gone to inspect the out-
 posts, no one ventured to make a remark.
 When he passed for the third time the
 place where the officers had congregated
 behind the breastworks, the senior captain
 stepped out and called the colonel's atten-
 tion to his needless exposure, and entreat-
 ed him not to court death in this reckless
 manner. The colonel grinned, thanked the
 captain for his warning, and then ex-
 plained his conduct.
 "There's no danger," said he: "they are
 a parcel of dull-b'ers; can't shoot a bit; they
 miss even my old mare, though I've treat-
 ed them to a splendid target. The mare is
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