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Wish Him a Merry Christmas! Here's How

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LAST Christmas morning I found, under the coniferous tree that decorated our living room, several ties, several shirts, a bathrobe, a pair of gloves, a scarf, a billfold and a traveling set.

The other day I went searching for these gifts. One of the ties I found I had in my room at school; the other, a gaudy one, I remembered was on my tie rack in my room at home. One of the shirts I received is in a drawer at home. It will probably fit me perfectly and suit my taste in about 30 years. My bathrobe turned out to be a practical gift. I have worn it and appreciated it.

The gloves, which are kid, are all right for formal wear, I must admit, but they’re not of much practical value, for they keep my hands as warm as the weather is. The scarf is white. I already had a white one and I needed a wool scarf much more. I am, however, wearing it for everyday now. The billfold is swell. My name was put on it, and it serves me faithfully when I have any money. The traveling set will come in very handy in several years, but as yet I have no use for it. But that tie, gaudy, loud, and extravagant one, I remembered was on my tie rack in my room at home. I wore it once.

TIES—Barathea pure silk with single stripes are this year’s leaders. Scotch plaid is also popular. Don’t buy one, however, that you wouldn’t wear yourself.

SCARVES—The heavy blue scarf in woven wool with lots of pattern is leading the sales this year. White scarfs are all right for formal wear but most men are well supplied with them.

SHIRTS—The trubenized collar is the men’s choice. The Duke of Kent (the dark shirts with the button down trubenized collars) are the most popular, contested closely by the shirt of autumn tone with a white collar.

GLOVES—For dress gloves, pigskin, buck skin, and deer skin are popular but are high in prices. They come in brown, black, gray and tan.

HANDKERCHIEFS—Linen initialed with wide hems are rapidly taking the place of the small rolled hems. For dress handkerchiefs, fancy colored, plaided, dark body with light border, and stripes are the leading styles.

SOX—Lisle in fancy patterns, large squares, bright colors and ribs have been rapidly gaining approval of Iowa State men and are the selection in this group.

SMOKING JACKETS—These are mostly staple styles. The most popular are the dark jackets which are a bit heavier than the cocktail jackets.

SMOKING BRACELETS—Crested watch straps of yellow and white gold are most wanted.

Then of course there comes your picture, which may be placed in a modernistic glass frame trimmed in black and silver. These are always appreciated by any man.

 Maybe these don’t suit all of you. Perhaps you should search your boy friend’s hobby for something that he needs. Some boys would appreciate golf balls, ping pong sets, subscriptions to magazines, cigarettes, or ash trays.