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*Municipality* RHYME YOUR GIFTS  
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We hear much about the personal touch in gift giving. This is all very well for those who enjoy making lovely handwork for their friends. But for those who haven't the ability or the time for this work, the simplest gift becomes a personal one if accompanied by a bit of "home grown verse" made by the donor for a special person.

May I illustrate by some jingles I have used for various occasions? For hand-made Christmas cards:

(1)

A Babe in a manger  
A star in the sky  
And wise men still follow  
A rule He lived by.

(2)

I come to wish you all good cheer  
And blessed peace thruout the year.

The following jingle was sent with a little "cooking for two" book given to a friend whose family was grown up and gone;

Imagine you're a bride again  
For just one brief day more  
And burn the stew, your fingers, too,  
As in the days of yore.

For the friend who was leaving the community:

May He who can go forth with you  
And still stay here with us  
Give you dear friends in your new home  
But you'll still remember us.

For stork shower gifts:

(1)

A little pink card  
A bonnet edged in blue  
You'll love and cherish  
What God sends to you.

(2)

Pink for a girl  
Blue for a boy  
A little pink card  
On a blue toy.

With something edible, cake or candy, went this jingle:

At fancywork I do not shine  
Of money I have scarce a dime  
Such as I have, I give to you  
Am sending something you can chew.

Just try it. It's fun.

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