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A Happy New Year! To all our readers.

Raising Christmas Funds

I WAS going home to spend Christmas. As I had no children—indeed, was not married—holidays, especially Christmas, bored me. I wished the season were over and the new year begun. The train pulled out of the station, and I took up a newspaper.

Suddenly my paper was crushed back on my face, a pair of small arms were thrown around my neck and the round face of a boy about four years old was thrust within an inch of my nose. By what right he assumed to treat a perfect stranger in this demonstrative fashion I could not conceive.

"You little scamp, what do you mean?"

"I'm goin' home to spend Christmas."

At that moment the conductor came along for tickets and told me that the boy had been put in his charge. He was to meet his father at St. Louis.

The little imp unclasped his hands as suddenly as he had clasped them and made a dash for the door. I dashed after him, reviling the parent who would put a child his age in the care of a conductor, and dragged him back. This I did a dozen times during the day. When not trying to get on the platform he was trying to sell an old knife (no blades) to the passengers to raise Christmas money. At first they put him away, some of them impatiently, others gently, but he was so persistent and got up such remarkable financial schemes that at last every one in the car was laughing at him.

There was something in this irresponsible naturalness that won my heart. At nightfall, since there was no one to pay any attention to him, I called the porter, fed him and told him to make up the child's berth, which happened to be directly opposite my own. Then the boy got sleepy, and I told him the sandman was coming around to weight his lids, and if he didn't keep awake till he was undressed he wouldn't see the old fellow. I wished to keep him awake till the

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porter could undress him. Nevertheless he fell asleep in my arms, and as the porter was busy I concluded to undress him myself.

"Wake up!" I said, shaking him.

He opened his eyes. "Has the sandman been around?" was his first question.

"I should think so; long ago. It's bedtime."

It was a hard hunt I had all over his little body for buttons, but I found them. His shoe laces were in a knot, but I untied them and put him to bed in his undergarments. Giving me a hug like a bear cub he fell back on the pillow and was asleep before I could cover him up.

Before turning in myself I took a look at him to assure myself he was all right. Drawing the curtains, the lamplight fell on his face. What a picture of innocence! Where was he going? He didn't know. Who took care of him? He didn't care. Perhaps the parent who had sent for him was at that moment anxious about him and regretted letting him come in such a way. I had a dread that he would wake up in the middle of the night with colic. But if his parent worried, if I worried, there was one who was not in the least troubled about him. It was himself.

In the night I dreamed that I was being garroted. I awoke and found myself tightly clasped around the neck. I put my hand up to discover what was choking me and felt a tiny arm with a hand on it no bigger than my watch and five soft little fingers. A stream of lamplight came in where the curtains hung loose. It revealed the boy sound asleep. How he got there I didn't know, and I doubt if he knew himself.

The next morning he resumed his negotiations with the passengers to raise Christmas money, but the most impudent thing he did was to ask me if he had not lent me 3 cents the night before. This to me, who had spent money for him and had taken such care of him!

I felt a touch on my shoulder and turned my head. A gentleman in the seat behind me, with a benevolent face and a twinkle in his eye, was looking at me.

"One can admire even impudence," he said, "if it amounts to genius. This boy is certainly a genius of effrontery. He ought to be encouraged. What do you say to a collection for him for Christmas?"

By way of reply I dropped a silver dollar in my hat and gave it to the speaker, who duplicated the coin and sent the hat through the car, the passengers passing it from hand to hand. When it came back it contained $6.50. I let the child handle it, then took care of it for him till his arrival at his destination. When we stopped at a station on the outskirts of St. Louis a man boarded the car and, coming up to the boy, took him in his arms and kissed him. But the one who can become familiar on short acquaintance is not likely to permit familiarities in others. The child planted his fist right between the eyes of his captor.

The man explained to us that he was the boy's father and his child had been away long enough to forget him.

I took the father's address and during the day (Christmas) went to the house. I found very nice people in impoverished circumstances. Their boy had taken home with him the wherewithal to buy a Christmas dinner.

WALDON WELDRON.

The case of Miss Frankie Orser, of Boston, Mass., is interesting to all women.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I suffered misery for several years. My back ached and I had bearing-down pains, and frequent headaches. I would often wake from a restful sleep in such pain and misery that it would be hours before I could close my eyes again. I dreaded the long nights and weary days. I could do no work. I consulted different physicians hoping to get relief, but, finding that their medicines did not cure me, I tried **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound**, as it was highly recommended to me. I am glad that I did so, for I soon found that it was the medicine for my case. Very soon I was rid of every ache and pain and restored to perfect health. I feel splendid, have a fine appetite, and have gained in weight a lot."—MISS FRANKIE ORSER, 14 Warrenton St., Boston, Mass. — *$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.*

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QUEER CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Small Particles of Radium Presented by London Women.

There is this to be said of the latest fad of London society women—the giving of small particles of radium as Christmas presents—that none of the recipients can complain of having received a cheap gift. To give radium in this way costs from $10 to $50, the outfit necessary therefor consisting of a "spinthariscope" and a speck of the new metal hardly big enough to be seen with the naked eye.

Sir William Crookes, the English scientist, invented the spinthariscope, which is a kind of microscope through which small quantities of the precious stuff can be examined to better advantage. The spinthariscope sold by a London chemist who has the radium monopoly is about the size of a finger ring case and has an opening for the eye something like that in a child's kaleidoscope. By taking the apparatus into a darkened room and squinting through the eyehole one can see flashes of constantly varying light shooting in all directions, like miniature fireworks.

The idea of making Christmas gifts of radium has proved uncommonly infectious, and the run on the chemist's stock necessitated hasty communication with the firms in Bavaria and Austria who supply most of the radium that reaches England.—Washington Post.

Christmas Hints.

A simple and tasteful homemade picture frame may be constructed from common gas pipe cut into suitable length and tied together at the corners with shoe strings. A neat paperweight may be made by wrapping half a brick in paper such as butchers use and tying it with red tape. A dainty towel rack may be fabricated from a baseball bat and two cigar boxes. Shellac the boxes and sandpaper the bat. An ordinary cobblestone hand painted with lampblack and household ammonia makes an excellent door weight. A novel pipe rack for fastidious smokers may be made from a small strip of one inch plank. Bore holes in it for the stems of the pipes to pass through. A dried muskmelon shell makes an attractive tobacco jar.

Christmas Superstitions.

There are many Christmas superstitions long held as articles of faith that are to be recalled—how that oxen kneel in their stalls at midnight on Christmas eve in adoration of the Nativity and for one hour have the power of speech; for that one hour, too, the lost spirits have rest. Judas sleeps, Herod ceases to clank his chains, the daughter of Herodias may pause in the dance in which she is condemned to spin forever, and Pilate's ghost ceases its wanderings on Mount Pilatus. It was believed, too, that the sound of church bells could be heard wherever a church had stood, though no trace remain, and that on that pregnant night one sleeping in a manger would see his future in a vision.—Country Life In America.

Bringing In the Yule Log.

The Yule log is a remnant of the Juul, when the Scandinavians used to kindle huge fires in honor of their god Thor. In some parts of old England bringing in the Yule log was the principal ceremony of Christmas eve. Part of the log was carefully preserved to light the Yule log of the succeeding year. It was believed that a piece of the log in the house was a security against fire, and if a squinting person entered the room while it was burning all sorts of ill luck would come to the family.

Old Ideas About Christmas.

Even as late as 1753 there was some doubt as to the exact date of Christmas, the old count bringing it to the 5th of January, the new count giving us the 25th of December, which is "the day we celebrate." In Devonshire, England, it is believed that if the sun shines at noon on Christmas day a plentiful apple crop may be looked for in the following year.—National Illustrated Magazine.

The Sheriff's Christmas Dinner.

Deacon Johnson gib a dinner
At he cabin Christmas day;
Ax de preacher, all de deacons—
Nary deacon stay away!

An' hit sholy did look scrumptious
When dey got de table sot—
Chickin, possum meat an' turkey,
All so brown an' smokin' hot!

Den de preacher ax de blessin',
An' des bar'ly hab got dun
When de sheriff bus' de do' in,
An' Er'er Johnson tuck an' run!

Den de sheriff lick he mustache,
An' he says ter ole Sis Lou,
"Well, Ah see Ah've missed de deacon,
But Ah think de dinner 'll do!"
—Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.

HOW WE CATCH A COLD.

A cold is sometimes contracted while remaining enactive for a while in an uncomfortable room or a cold draft and by failing to sleep under like conditions. But most colds are caught while sleeping too cold at night. Deep sleep causes sluggish circulation which renders the system susceptable to change of temperature. To prevent colds, sleep under plenty of cover. To cure colds use Rydales Elixir, it lessens the severity and shortens the duration of a cold and prevents pneumonia Bronchitis and Consumption.

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Order Nisi.

Thomas E. Cotton and others
versus
Mary L. Sampson and others.

In the Circuit Court for Kent county in Equity.

No. 1496.

ORDERED, this 23rd day of Nov., 1904, by the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, that the sale of the Real Estate, mentioned in the above entitled proceedings made and reported by William W. Beck, trustee, appointed under a decree of this Court to make said sale, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 30th day of January next:—Provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 30th day of December, next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $918.00.

JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

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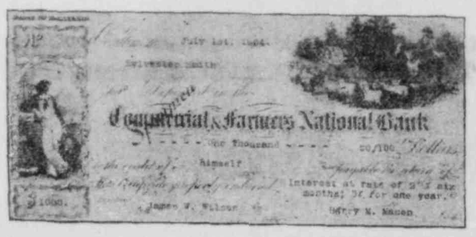

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