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...Funds

...WAS going home to spend Christ... children—in... mas. As I had no... ...ed—holidays, deed, was not marr... bored me, especially Christmas... over and the I wished the season were... n pulled out new year begun. The trai... up a news- of the station, and I took paper.

Suddenly my paper was c...ushed 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 hat the boy had been put in his charge. He was to meet his father at St. Luis.

The little imp unclasped his hands as suddenly as he had clasped them and made a dash for the door. I lashed after him, reviling the paren who would put a child his age in th care of a conductor, and dragged him back. This I did a dozen times durin the day. When not trying to get o the platform he was trying to sell s old knife (no blades) to the passenge to raise Christmas money. At first he put him away, some of them pa- tiently, others gently, but he was so persistent and got up such remarkable financial schemes that at last ery one in the car was laughing at him

There was something in this re- sponsible naturalness that won y heart. At nightfall, since there was no one to pay any attention to him I called the porter, fed him and t him to make up the child's bet which happened to be directly oppos my own. Then the boy got sleepy, a I told him the sandman was co ing around to weight his lids, and he didn't keep awake till he was u dressed he wouldn't see the old fellow I wished to keep him awake till th...



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 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."—FRANKIE ORSER, 14 Warrenton ... Boston, Mass. —*$5000 forfeit if original 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 there 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 paper-weight may be made by wrapping half brick in paper s... tying it with ... el rack may be ...eball bat and ...lac the boxes a... An ordinary ...ted with lampbla...



A PAIR OF SMALL ARMS WERE THROWN AROUND MY NECK

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 de cabin Christmas day;
Ax de preacher, all de deacons—
Nary deacon stay away!

An' how sholy did look scrumptious
When dey got de table sot—
Chickens, possum meat an' turkey,
All a brown an' smokin' hot!

Den de preacher ax de blessin',
An' dem bar'ly hab got dun
When de sheriff bus' de do' in,
An' Deacon Johnson tuck an' runt

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 for a while in an uncomfortable draft and by falling to sleep under like conditions. But most colds are caught while sleeping too cold at night. Sleep causes a languish circulation which renders the system susceptible to ... temperature. To prevent ... plenty of cool air, ... Elixir, it leaves ... the duration ... monia Bron...

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No. 1496.

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The report states the amount of sales $88.00.

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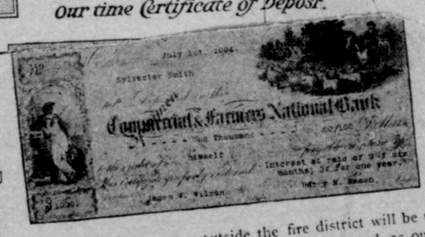
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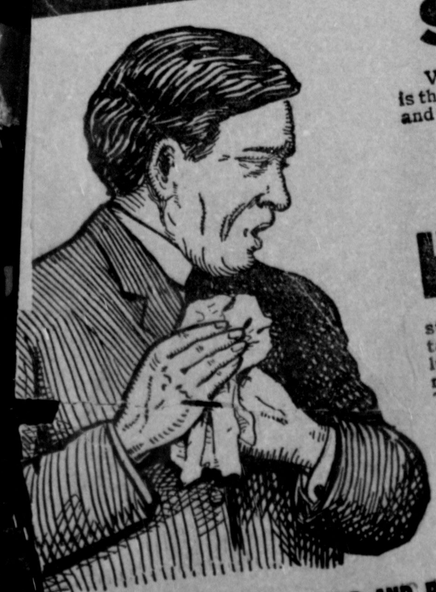
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