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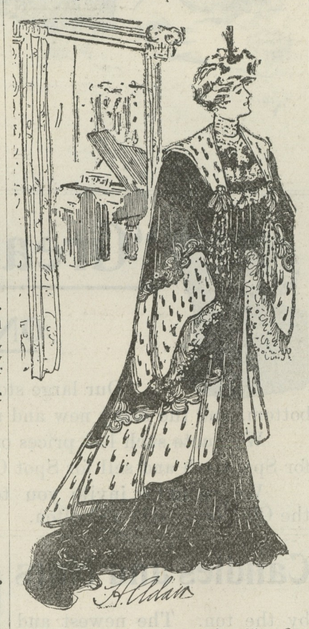
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Easter Sunday, circus day—jes' all dead in the shell.
I ust, though—at night, you know—to set around and hear
The old folks work the story off about the sledge and deer
And Santy shootin' round the roof, all wrapped in fur and fuzz—
Long afore I knowed who Santy Claus wuz.

UST to wait and set up late a week or two ahead;
Couldn't hardly keep awake ner wouldn't go to bed;
Kittle stewin' on the fire and mother sittin' here
Darnin' socks and rockin' in the skreeky rockin' cheer:
Pap'd gap' and wunder where it wuz the money went
And quar'l with his frost heels and spilt his liniment,
And me a-dreamin' sleighbells when the clock 'd whir and buzz,
Long afore I knowed who Santy Claus wuz.



SIZE the fireplace up and figure how Old Santy could
Manage to come down the chimbly like they said he would;
Wisht that I could hide and see him—wundered what he'd say
If he ketched a feller layin' fer him that a-way.
But I bet on him and 'lieved him, same as if he had
Turned to pat me on the back and say, "Look here, my lad,
Here's my pack: jes' he'p yourself, like all good boys does,"
Long afore I knowed who Santy Claus wuz.

WISHT that yarn wuz true about him, as it 'peared to be—
Truth made out o' lies, that un's good enough for me!
Wisht I still was so confidin'—I could jes' go wild
Over hangin' up my stockin's, like the little child
Climbin' in my lap tonight and beggin' me to tell
'Bout them reindeers and Old Santy that she loves so well.
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Vanishing Pomp.

How worldly pride kin pass away,
I's takin' foh my tex'.
What is a Christmas tree one day
Is kindlin' wood de nex'.
—Washington Star

A Friendship Christmas.

Eustacia—What shall we do this Christmas?

Edmonia—You give me back all the things I've given you that you didn't like, and I'll give you all the things you gave me that I didn't like.—Detroit Free Press.

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