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A CHRISTMAS IF.

Supply a word for each blank so that the ending of each triplet will rhyme.

EXAMPLE:—
Lilly sat up in her little ——(bed).
And gazed at the sunrise glowing ——(red)
With a happy thought in her simple ——(head).

"Mamma, is to-morrow Christmas ——?"
"Yes, my darling." "But, mamma, ——,
Will Santa Claus surely come this ——?"

"What do you think he'll bring to ——?
I wish I were Santa Claus, then we'd ——
All what beautiful things would ——!

"Everybody should have some ——;
I'd buy my dolly a new gold ——;
And sister a pretty bird to ——

"I'd give each old tramp a goody to ——;
And Maggie an apron white and ——;
And Bob some shoes for his poor bare ——.

"But mamma, what would I buy for ——?
I know—a baby all live and ——;
With little white frock and ties of ——.

"Mamma, what do you laugh for? ——!
What make the tears come? do you ——
For fear good Santa will pass you ——?"

CHRISTMAS BELLS.

Composed for the Free Press.

Christmas chimes, Oh! hear them ringing,
Joyous voices I hear them singing
Gladly welcome in the day,
Echo back each joyous lay,
Let the earth resound in gladness
On this merry Christmas Day.

Joy bells ring, ring out your gladness,
Dispel all gloom, relieve all sadness,
Penetrate within the pale,
Of each, and every human heart,
Drive all care and grief away,
On this joyous Christmas Day.

Church bells ring, ring out your clearest,
Inviting all, the far, the nearest
To give praises unto Him,
Who redeemed the world from sin,
Lift your voices, swell the anthem,
On this precious Holy Day.

AT THE FUNERAL.

What People Have to Say When Attending Burial Services

Too bad, isn't it?
What did he die of?
Too many doctors!
How many had he?
Six.
Killed him between them, eh?
Exactly. Too many cooks, etc.
That's a handsome coffin.
Aren't the flowers lovely?
Wonder did he leave much?
Hard to tell.
Did he make a will?
Hadn't time.
Was it so very sudden?
Not so very, but they thought he'd get well.
Didn't the doctors know?
There was only one doctor.
Heard he had six.
No, only one.
Why didn't they call in others?
Can't say; he'd be a well man to-day if they had.
That's so; there's Dr. A. pulled my sister through.
And Dr. B. cured my cousin.
And Dr. C. raised my aunt!
There's nothing like a consultation of experienced doctors.
Doctors be hanged; humbugs, the whole of them.
Kill more than they cure, by a good sight.
They come handy in a fit of rheumatism, though.
That's different. A man's got to go when his day comes.
Well, I'd be a dead man long ago only for doctors.
Good string of carriages, ain't there?
Too many; don't believe in them.
I do; they show respect.
Show money, you mean.
Cheap way of getting a ride, anyway.
Who's the undertaker?
Piles on style, doesn't he?
Do you think the widow will marry?
They all do it!
Poor thing, it's a pity of her.
Oh, he's left her well off!
Fine house, isn't it?
Yes, if it's paid for.
Was his life insured?
Didn't hear.
Will the relatives go to law?
They're at it already.
Good for the lawyers.
There won't be much left to quarrel over when they get through.
There wouldn't be anyway.
They say he did spend freely.
Best hearted fellow ever lived; couldn't keep money and see any one in need of it.
Never saw any of his liberality.
Nor I: always considered him close.
Who's the preacher?
Don't know, but he seems to have a good deal to say.
Too much for such a cold day, and so many men standing around.
Chills one through, doesn't it?
Funeral was to be at two and now half past three.
They ought to be more prompt.
Would you want to be so prompt with anyone belonging to you?
That's so, may be I wouldn't.

A New Calendar.

Puck proposes to rename the months, calling them by names which would suit their most prominent qualities.

This would enable children to learn the names readily on the kindergarten plan, and the months, if this sensible plan were adopted, would be named as follows:

January would be Slushuary,
February would be Slopuary,
March would be Winduary,
April would be Rainuary,
May would be Buduary,
June would be Warmuary,
July would be Roastuary,
August would be Broiluary,
September would be Chilluary,
October would be Coluuary,
November would be Frostuary,
December would be Snowuary.

THE TEST OF PERFECT HEALTH.

DISEASES OVERMATCHED BY MEDICINE.

Sir Astley Cooper said that no man ought to know he had a stomach. Unfortunately, however, the two extremes of luxury and privation teach a considerable portion of mankind that they have stomachs, and very troublesome ones too. The diggers after gold in our gulches, the alluvial of our rivers and our dry plains, suffer much from diseases of this organ, and of the liver and bowels. At present, however, there is much less fear of these complaints than formerly. All intelligent miners are aware that they can be readily combated and cured by the timely administration of Holloway's celebrated Pills. One of the leading forms in which disease of the stomach and bowels exhibits itself in the interior—and we may add in the cities too—is a debilitating diarrhœa. Nothing that has ever been tried either in dysentery or diarrhœa in this country has uniformly succeeded in curing those maladies except Holloway's Pills. It is stated that all cases in which they were administered at the Ballarat Diggings, they did not fail in one. The ordinary medical treatment of diarrhœa appears to be wholly useless in this climate. Probably it is so in any climate. Be this as it may, it is beyond cavil that the Pills arrest the complaint as certainly and almost as quickly as the brakes of a rail car arrest the revolutions of its wheels. There are no ifs or buts about the matter; the cure is a foregone conclusion. Imagine what a Godsend such a medicine must be to the digger. Possessed of it he feels as if endowed with another right arm. The very fact that his chest or knapsack contains such a potent counterblast to disease keeps up his animal spirits and renders him less susceptible of unhealthy influences.

Miners bound to the more unhealthy diggings usually provide themselves with an extra supply of both the Pills and the Ointment, as they can always dispose of what they do not want at an enormous profit. It is said, and probably with truth, that the large importations of these medicines have seriously interferred with the profits of the drug merchants. Calomel and jalap, and all the purgatives, alteratives, sudorifics, anodynes, etc., are sadly at a discount in the market. Holloway's Pills and Ointment fill their places in public estimation, and more than fill them in beneficial effect.—*The Enquirer.*

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Horace Greeley's bad penmanship has passed into a proverb. No description of it without a fac-simile of the writing could convey any idea of its illegibility. It is charitable, however, to the old philosopher to suppose that the fault lay with the pens he had been accustomed to use, but what a world of grief and trouble would have been saved to the compositors if he had written his editorials with an Esterbrook Falcon Pen.

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