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POETRY.

CHRISTMAS. A Happy Christmas-tide to every one, Though from the festal board some guests And yet, not gone, for to each vacant place There cometh one whe hath an angel's And there is left a store of light and love

Links which unite us here to those above A Happy Christmas-tide, and let the poor Turn with a thankful heart from overy If in our hearts there's strife with kin or For Jesus' sake let the contention end,

CHRISTMAS BRINGS GOOD WILL. Merry Christmas is here, with a smile and CHOICE BOOKS, BIBLES,

So, ere the year is hidden 'neath its pall,

Thank we the Lord, to be at peace with all

Let all your old troubles and quarrels be For the friend that is near have a greeting And breathe a good wish for the foe

And with you was the right. In kindness of spirit forgive him to-night. For whoever makes plea 'neath the ever-A prince of good fellows, and welcome

OUR STORY.

Though with him was the spite.

Christmas at the Parsonage

It was the week before Christmas, Miss Polly Pritchard sat alone in her little room, diligently at work. So far, it had been a hard winter, with the ground all iron-bound with cruel frost

the river clad in steely links of ice, the sky one wing, the other being rented out to recite?" Farmer Gribbage and his wife. There was always a cheerful fire of logs blazing on the open hearth, always a plant at the window.

and a cat purring on the rug. "To be sure, it's rather lonely a said the little old maid to herself, " never to have a soul to speak to. But it is what one must expect when one outlives one's family and

So she sat here on this gray winter's afternoon, singing some half-forgotten song, and plying her busy needle, when Mrs. Gribbage, the farmer's wife, came in "Dolls, I delare !" she exclaimed, looking

And his walk led him to the little red at the boxes on the table. And as her quick eye fell on the work in Miss Polly's hand, she added: "And, as true as I live, you're a dressing 'em." "Yes," said Miss Polly, coloring a soft

"For the toy shop?" said inquisitive drs. Gribbage. "Well-no!" acknowledged Miss Polly. They are for the little girls in the orphan asylum. They don't have any one to think

autumnal pink.

of their Christmas, you know." "Well, I declare !" reiterated Mrs. Gribbage. " Why, there's eighteen of 'em. You don't mean to say that you're dressin' eighteen dolls?" least attractive element of the scene. . "Yes," said Miss Polly, in deprecating

"Humph! Well, I just came in to tell the parson, looking kindly at the maiden of the winter solstice with great solemnity. you that I'm going up to Miss Georgietta | lady. Fullerton's to tea." 'Are you?" said Miss Polly.

"Didn't they ask you?" said she. Miss Polly shook her head. "Well, it's your own fault," said Mrs. Gribbage, not without asperity. "Look at that old faded turned dress of yours. Miss Georgietta Fullerton is very particular about her dress. And now that she is en-

Mrs. Gribbage nodded complacently.

Miss Polly gave the least perceptible start at these words, and asked: " Is she engaged to be married to him?" "So folks say," complacently answered could have made a better match. Miss Fullerton is an excellent housekeeper, and has got a little money of her own. And it is high time there was some one at the

gaged to be married to the minister-"

And Mrs. Gribbage sailed away in her rustling silk gown and red plumed hat, leaving Miss Polly alone with her dolls. The parson sat alone, also, that gray threatening December afternoon in his little study, with a heap of sermon paper in front of him. He had sat down to write his Christmas sermon; but, somehow, the

aspect of forlornness about the room, which the poor man realized, but could not explain. "It's all very uncomfortable," said Mr. Mellen to himself, biting thoughtfully at the feather end of his quill pen. "And somehow I always feel it more at Christmas time than at any other. Hear those children

scream! One would think they might play without making quite so much noise. But they are not managed as they were when poor Isabel was alive. I suppose I am nota gooddisciplinarian, or perhaps I should have them in better training. Really, I don't know but that the good ladies in my congregation are right, and that I ought

"Get married again!" Robbie Mellen's shrill little voice uttered, just at this moment. "Oh, I like that! That's a pretty note! Our father got married again! Nonsense, Bell, some one has been cramming | God rest ye, little children; but nothing "But it's true," retorted little Bell, full.

of indignation. "And you needn't laugh. implements and machinery of all kinds, as well as of general work, I feel that I can was asleep on the bed at Sewing Society—

unsufteesstisfaction in every case.

I heard old Miss Grampus say so to Miss

Collyer, last week, when they all thought I was asleep on the bed at Sewing Society—

that papa was going to marry again.

I heard old Miss Grampus say so to Miss

Sleeping lay,

When Christ, the child of Nazareth, was born on Christmas day. "Who was it?" breathfeesty demanded in great variety, at J. Fyfe's, Acton.

"They didn's say," Bell answered. " Miss Georgie Fullerton, I bet !" shout

ed Robbie. "Oh, I wouldn't like her for s "Who would you like?" retorted Janie, "Oh I don't know !" answered Robbie

Not her, anyhow. She scowled at m

one day, when I stepped on the train of her dress. And I heard her say, 'Clumsy boy' to her sister." " And she was very right," didactically observed Janie. You are a clumby boy,

" Perhaps," said John, "it's Mrs. Brick nor. There's a stunner for you! Ain't she always drossed like the Queen of Sheba! "I can't bear Mrs. Bricknor," said Bell. "She laughs too loud, and her false teeth don't fit, and I don't think she likes little boys and girls. She looked real cross at the church pic-nip when we had them funny games, and told Mrs. Fenwick that she didn't think children ought to be allow-

ed to make so much noise." "I'll tell you who does love children, in a pure sense, when the Christian youth though!" suddenly exclaimed Janie. "And kisses the Christian maiden under the love her, too, and I wish papa would | Pagan mistletoe, and when Christian obser-

marry her. Miss Polly Pritchard!" "What, that Miss Polly that has the Maltese cat, and the red cardinal bird?" said Robbie. "Well, it ain't a bad idea. on the word; no cyclopedia, no dictionary She gave me some bread and jam, the night no book of any form is necessary to define I got lost, blackborrying, on the hills, and it for us .- Gertie May. told me such a nice story about Fortunatus and his Purse, when I was resting on her

"Yes, and what do, you think?" eagerly vii., 14. And here the fulfilment of that struck in Janip. "She sing eighteen dolls, now, for the poor orphan girls in the asylum, and she was bought eleven jack-knives for the boys; because she says all children ought to have a Christmas."

"She's a trump!" declared Robbie, pounding both hands down upon the table. "I declare, I've most a mind to marry her full of snow, and wind, and tempest. But | myself! But look here, Janie, ain't you flood; almost 2,000 from the vocation of Miss Polly was very comfortable in the going to help a fellow with these long. Abraham, and a little over 1,000 from the little red farm-house, of which she occupied division sums, before papa calls us in to foundation of the temple of Solomon,

And then the noise of all four talking to-

gether drowned the sense of what they said.

and Mr. Mellen, smiling to himself, pushed back his pen and sermou paper. "Out of the mouths of babes and suck lings," he said, mildly. "Who knows but that these little ones' veices have been sent to guide my footsteps aright? It was a sweet and gracious idea, that of preparing a Christmas for the little homeless ones who have no parents to take tender thought for them. I think I will go out and quiet my troubled meditations with a walk !".

farm house in whose wing Miss Polly Pritchard sat diligently at work over the eighteen dolls. The parson was a sensible, straightforward man, who comprehended none of the

sinuous wiles of society. He knocked at the door and walked in. All looked cosy and comfortable there from the big geranium in the window and the Maltese cat on the rug to the shaded lamp and the work-basket beside the prim little spinster. And Miss Polly herself, with her thick brown hair coiled in a knot at the back of her head, and a faint, carna tion-like bloom on her cheek, was not the

" So these are the dolls for the little waifs and strays of humanity, ch?" said.

know how you heard anything about it, charm against evil spirits, and excellent Mr. Mellen. It was to be a profound "I will keep it most profoundly," said

Polly, "I am fond of children, and it's areal pleasure to do anything for the little | the maid who was not kissed under the things. I've often thought I should like to adopt a child." "Miss Polly," said the parson, bluntly, that is the very business I have come to

you about. What do you say to adopting falling off in marriages this plant ought not "Four !" repeated Miss Polly. "Yes," said the parson. "Mine! And their father thrown into the bargain. What do you say, Miss Polly ? Will you marry

parsonage to keep those four noisy children "1-I'm afraid I am not good enough, said Miss Polly, with a little grasp, as the tide of unexpected happiness was surging up into her very throat. "If ever there was a good Christian, Polly, you are one," said the parson. else," putting his hand lightly upon the taken all this pains for Christ's orphan

little ones. ()nly say 'Yes,' Polly. That And Polly said: "Yes." Mrs. Gribbage was quite incredulous when she came home and heard the news. "I thought it was to be Georgietta Fullerton, sure enough," said she.

"I am sure I don't know," said Miss So, like the old-time fairy stories, our A Word to Boys at Christmas Tide tale ends. "And they lived happily eyer after." For Mrs. Mellen was a model step

parsonage loved her heartily.

you affright,

low ever came Mr. Mellen to think of

This was Miss Polly Pritchard's last Christmas in loveless solitude. For when the next Christmas came she was the happy little mistress of the parsonage. CHRISTMAS AND THE CHILDREN.

this happy night,

SANTA CLAUS. -

A jolly old fellow whose hair is snow white, And whose bright little eyes are blue, Will be making his visits on Christmas

Perhaps he will call upon you.

funny old name has this funny old man. You can tell what it is, no doubt; He creeps down the chimney as fast as he And then just as swiftly creeps out.

His plump cheeks are rosy as red cherries His nose, too, is red as can be;

You may smell now and then the smoke of But his face you never may see,

And leaves them wherever he goes, For the good little girls and good little So hang up your little white hose.

CHRISTMAS CHEER Gems of Sentiment Gathered Here and

There. Christmas is a happy season when Christian and ante-Christian feelings blend vance of the happy season mingles with

Pagan rite. Christmas! Tenderly, lovingly we linger Here is a prophecy:-Behold a virgir

shall conceive, and bare a son; and hi

name shall be called Emmanuel-Isa.

prophecy :- For this day is born to you. Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David-Luke ii, 11. Christ was born when Augustus' was in the fortieth year of his reign; the 29th from the battle of Antium: about 4,000 years, or a little more, from the creation of the world; about 2,500 years from the

Dear Old Santa Claus. time is the advent of our dear, though presented housekeepers had no difficulty in mythological, friend Santa Claus. It is the determining for themselves the best and universal wonderment of childhood how the most wholesome baking powder to use. old gentleman, who does not seem to grow The Journal, its facts having been quesstingy with the passing years, manages to tioned by a local baking powder manufacvisit so many homes at about the same turer, returns to the subject and publishes hour, and to crawl down small and sooty | the following interesting interview with ffues with so large a pack on his shoulders | Prof. Tucker. The facts before stated are without soiling his beard. It is rather a reaffirmed and emphasized in the most sad experience when boyhood and girlhood discover that he is an imaginary personage, and that-but let the myth remain, un- Tucker for the purpose of gaining further touched by the stern and grinding facts of information in reference to the baking later life. Rich and poor are under the powder question. He was found in the spell of expectation, and numberless stock- extensive laboratory of the Medical College, ings will be hung up in the hope that if hard at work, but good-naturedly submitted Santa Claus does not come to fill them | to an inquisitorial interview, the substance some one else will. Rare gifts will pass of which, here given, will be found of from hand to hand among the wealthy, and | interest. even the pinched and poor will be made glad by some little token of love or

friendship.

The Mistletoe Bough The mistletoe was used by the Roman in religious ceremonies, says Charles Dudley Warner, and it may have been the "golden bough" of the infernal regions. said The Druids gathered it against the festival the Prince of the Druids cutting himself "Yes," said Miss Polly. "But I don't with a golden sickle. It was used as a medicinal properties are ascribed to it. It was supposed to possess the power to predeductions I drew from the tests were the serve from poison and the mystic property inevitable ones, and the opinions I exof giving fertility. "Kissing under the "You see." blushingly explained Miss | mistletoe! may have had reference to this ancient belief. There was a tradition that mistletoe at Christmas would not be married during the following year. It is ! an obvious suggestion that in sections of the country where the statistics show

to be let die out.

Christmas in the Olden Time. Old time Christmas days were given to boisterous sports. The Lord of Misrule eigaed supreme. Churches were used dance in, boy's jumped in sacks, grabbed with their mouths at apples floating in water, leaped and tried to bite mouthfuls of treacle-covered cake, suspended by strings from the ceiling. The burning of the big Yule log was universal, and it was considered unfortunate for a squint-eyed person or a flat-footed woman to enter within its blaze. The brands left from the burning were sacredly kept as a protection against lightning, and for the kindling of the next year's log. In Norway, King Olaf, the saint, forbade the burning of the Yule fire, punishing the offenders with maining or death. It was also a belief that cattle kneeled in the attitude of prayer at middight on Christman Eve, bees sang in their hives, and bread baked on that day would never mould.

You are made to be kind, boys, generous, maguanimous. If there is a boy in school mother, and the four young rebels at the who has a club foot don't let him know you ever saw it. If there is a poor boy with ragged clothes, don't talk about rags in his hearing. If there is a lame boy, assign For Jesus Christ, your Saviour, was born Along the hills of Galilee the white flocks two great wrongs, and no more talent than unwholesome. Besides, the cream of tar--Scotch, English and Canadian suitings | countenances how much better it is than someness of the food All these difficulties to have a greet fues.

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER There's frost in the air.

There's ice in the brooks, And wild with excitement Are housewives and cooks : The seasoning is ready To make the mince pie, The turkey is slaughtered.

And Christmas is nigh. It's coming we hail with A shout and a cheer. Because tis the happiest Day of the year; For sisters and brothers,

Who've long been away, Come home to take dinner On this Christmas Day And this is the season When those who believe He carries a bag full of sweetmeats and 'Tis surely more blessed To give than receive. Whom blessings will follow

> Are ready and generous In aiding the poor.

Through life, we are sure).

BAKING POWDER MATTER. More of the Albany Newspaper

Investigation. The "Journal" Reaffirms and Emphasizes the Facts-Plain Talk From Prof. Tucker

Risers Generally. The Albany, N. Y., Journal some time since published an interesting report upon the subject of baking powders, in which it gave the results of some tests of an elaborate character made for the purpose of de. termining the question of which is the best and wholesomest of these articles. The analyses and tests required were undertaken by Professors W. G. Tucker, of the Albany Medical College, and W. P. Mason, of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, of Troy, chemists of the highest standing and reputation, well known for their extended and valuable services as public analysts. Messrs. Tucker and Mason, the Journal stated, had been directed to procure from dealers in Albany and Troy packages of baking powder, to analyze and critically examine them, and to make their reports

of facts found entirely without bias or . The report proved a matter of interest and importance, and was widely copied, One of the pleasantest events of Christmas and commented upon. From the facts

> breežy manner : A Journal reporter recently visited Prof.

"Doctor," said the reporter, "it appears that one of our local baking powder manufacturers attempts to discredit the report some time ago published in the Journal with reference to baking powders, for. which the analytical examinations were made by yourself and Prof. Mason. Were

your analysis and opinion printed cor-

"They were," replied Prof. Tacker " Is there any part of the report, or of your views expressed therein, that you "Not a word. My examination was most carefully and accurately made: the

pressed were unquestionably correct." "You say, Doctor, that the Royal baking powder is superior to any other baking powder which you have examined?"

' Have you examined many other baking "Quite a number." "Wherein, Doctor, consists this superiority which you find in the Royal over other brands?"

"As stated in my report, in the great

purity of its ingredients, in the unquestion;

ed propriety and wholesomeness of those

ingredients, in the exact proportions of the

same, and the chemical accuracy and skill

with which they have been combined. As

"That is my report."

I said before, it is, I believe, a baking powder, unequaled for purity, strength and "Doctor, the Journal's lady readers the peculiar virtues of a good baking powder over other and more old-fashioned

nethods of raising bread, biscuit and

cake?"

"That would require a long answer, something in the nature of a lecture. Briefly, however, the advantage of such a baking powder over yeast consists in the quicker work it accomplishes, in the preservation of some of the best elements of the flour which are destroyed in the production of the carbonic acid gas by the use of yeast, and in the absolute certainty of sweet, light and digestible food. Over other methods for quick raising, the merits of a pure baking powder are great. It is always ready for use, the acid and alkali are combined in exact proportions to produce definite results, or to render the largest amount of leavening gas and leave him some part in the game that doesn't nothing more than a neutral residuum, require running. If there is a hungry one, which is not the result where cream of targive him part of your dinner. If there is a tar and soda are bought separately anddull one, help him to get his lesson. If mixed in the kitchen, for it will always there is a bright one, be not envious of occur where this is done that one or the him; for if one boy is proud of his talents other of these substances will predominate, and another is envious of them, there are making the food yellow, heavy, bitter and before. It a larger or stronger boy has tar which can be produced by the house. injured you, and is sorry for it, forgive keeper is mostly adulterated, adding to the him. All the school will show by their procertainty of the results or the unwhole-

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