

**JINGLE BELLS**

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Jim was back again even sooner than I expected. What chance had a lad of his slender build against an exasperated man as large as Hemmingway? He picked himself up from the rug where he had landed and removed the cane chair seat which was around his neck.

"I suppose it's all for the best," he observed.

"What?" I asked without enthusiasm.

"Well, I had to agree that you would marry Mrs. Hemmingway," he explained painstakingly. "I tried to make him see differently, but he insisted. You ought to be glad, Tom. She's a very sweet woman and will make a fine wife."

"You agreed that I would marry her?" I demanded. "What in the name of Mike have you got to say about it?"

"Well," he explained, "I let him think that you had sent me to patch it up. Maybe I did wrong, but I thought it was all for the best."

"Oh, I see."—What difference did it make, after all? One tangle more did not make it much worse.

"People don't seem to appreciate it when a man goes out of his way to do them a favor," he observed with martyrlike resignation.

"Pardon me," I said mechanically. "Didn't I thank you? I certainly am much obliged for your good intentions."

"It was nothing at all, Tom. I'd do it again for you any day, whenever you get in a tight hole send for me. I'm always willing to help. A little thanks is all the pay I want."

Immensely cheered, he left me. It was all for the best—I had located a paper weight to throw at him if he offered to do anything more for me.

I picked up an old magazine and tried to read. The story I started proved to be a serial. I asked Comrade Dreyenfurth, who happened through, if they had a copy of the number containing the next installment.

"No," he replied with aggravated bitterness. "We get all our magazines from people who send 'em to us after they get through reading 'em. And nobody ever sent us a complete set yet. I gave up trying to read the serials five years ago."

"I can tell you what happens in the November number," offered Mrs. Lillielove, who had seated herself near and had overheard the conversation. "I read nearly all the magazines that come out. It's terribly exciting when you get six or seven heroines in tight places all at once."

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**Would Make Dixon  
a Lincoln Shrine;  
Rebuild Old Fort**

A son of John Dixon of Dixon is seeking to make the city his ancestor founded famous as a Lincoln shrine.

Before Lincoln rose to national prominence he served as an obscure soldier in the Blackhawk war. During his service he was stationed for a time at the old blockhouse at Dixon.

This old fort, an important outpost at that time, has long since decayed; but the Daughters of the American Revolution and other patriotic organizations have held title to the site

hoping some day that the historic house will be restored.

Now George Dixon of Dixon, a member of the Illinois house of representatives and descendant of the governors of every state be invited to contribute a log or other material toward reconstruction of the blockhouse. His proposal, which also contemplates the appointment of a commission to carry out the work, was in the form of a joint legislative resolution which has been adopted by the lower house. The resolution

awaits action by the senate before being put into effect.

**C. M. T. C. Enrollment  
Is Now Under Way**

Enrollment for admission to Citizens' Military Training camps is now under way, it was announced, and opportunity is at hand for 500 and perhaps 1,000 additional youths of 17 to 14 years of age to enjoy the benefits of the 30 days' encampment,

will go to Fort Sheridan for infantry training and after their first year they may select any camp in the Sixth Corps area and the branch of training they prefer.

The United States is said to have a third of the world's wealth, and yet some folks say there is no opportunity for a young man now.

Now that eggs are cheap, the hens are laying with superb industry and diligence.

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a lender be;  
For loan oft loses both itself  
and friend."*

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