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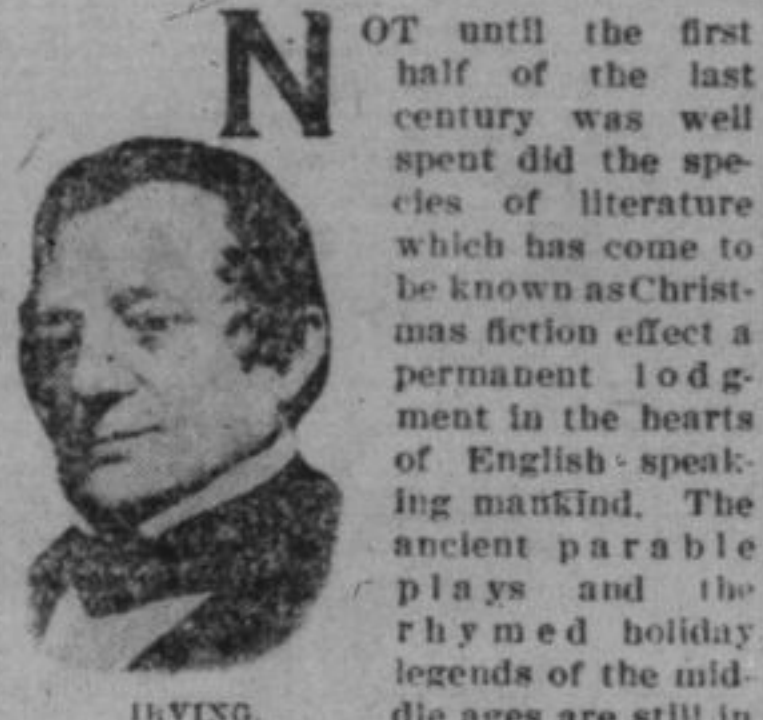
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CHRISTMAS IN FICTION.

By GEORGE H. PICARD (Copyright, 1909, by American Press Association.)



NOT until the first half of the last century was well spent did the species of literature which has come to be known as Christmas fiction effect a permanent lodgment in the hearts of English-speaking mankind. The ancient parable plays and the rhymed holiday legends of the middle ages are still in use on the continent, but the more secular minded English had only the rude Yuletide jingles and the quaint carols of beef-eating antiquity.

William Makepeace Thackeray, master of a realism that is the wonder and the despair of those who have followed him, needed no model and chose none. His "Mrs. Perkins's Ball" resembles nothing ever conceived in the mind of any other man: The public was pleased with it, but never so much as was Thackeray himself.

All the makers of great fiction are more or less under the spell of their immediate surroundings, but few are made more apparent than Charles Dickens. Those who knew the circumstances saw plainly that he had put himself, and his sad childhood into many of his pathetic short stories. This is especially true of "The Ghost in Master B's Room," which is an account of things which happened to him in his troubled boyhood.

Dickens's Christmas ghosts are unique in the realm of literature. Of all the silent shapes that have been summoned from the upper and nether worlds to lend enchantment to the Christmas tale his alone have become acclimated. There is never anything repulsive about them. They are the most companionable spooks ever invented. They are seldom sepulchral, but are frequently cheerful. They are not the haunting, sleep-killing and never-to-be-exorcised phantoms of the fairy tales, but actual personalities, freed from all

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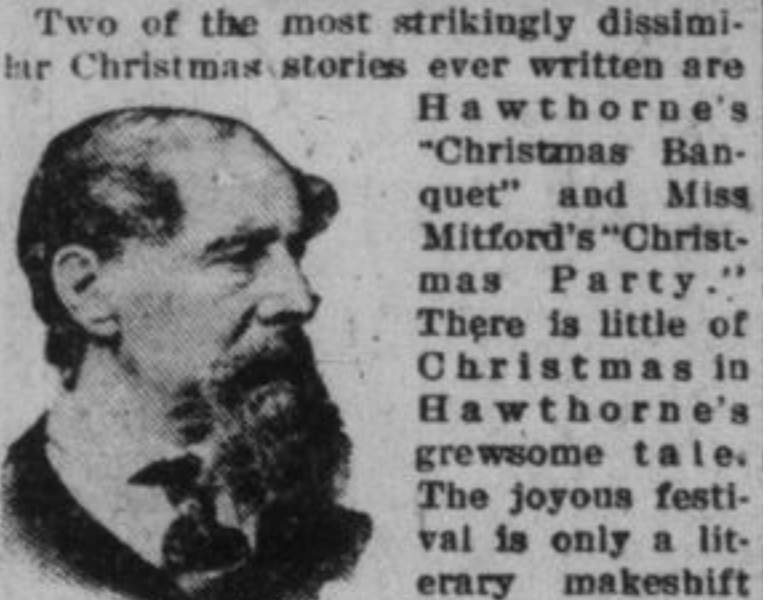


Dead men tell no tales, but some of them leave a lot of unprinted manuscripts. Any woman can fool a man, but when a man fools a woman it is a nine days' wonder.

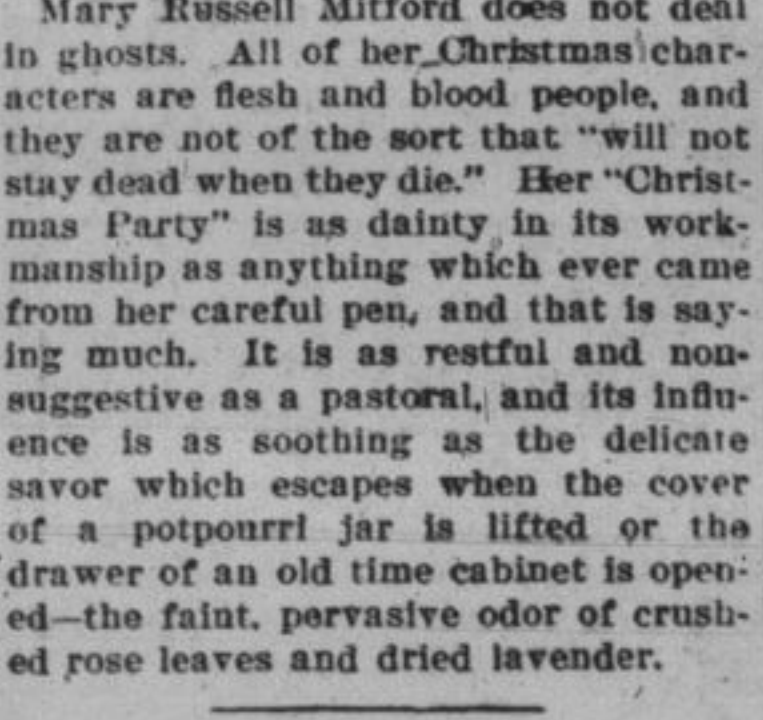
THE CHEERFUL WAX CANDLE.

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ONCE upon a time two little candles lay side by side in a big box. Both were pure white. Said one: "I wonder what will become of us. Do you think we could be meant for a Christmas tree?" For you must know that to be put on a Christmas tree is the best possible thing that can happen to a candle.



"If we are," said the first, "I'll shine very brightly, for the eyes of even poor children with only few pleasures in prospect are enough to rival little candles on Christmas eve."



THE RATIONAL CHRISTMAS.

By ELLIS FRAME (Copyright, 1909, by American Press Association.)

"Let us give in reason this year," she suggested. "Not merely for the sake of giving things. It's the spirit, not the money invested. Let us, therefore, turn from foolish squanderings. Let the gifts we give be things that may be needed. Instead of trash soon to be cast aside, 'My darling, your suggestion shall be heeded. For there is wisdom in it," he replied.

She did her shopping early, being guided by lessons learned from much experience. She would show her lord and master, she decided. How excellent a thing was common sense. For their baby boy she purchased a French corset. And an oriental rug that caught her eye.

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"If we are," grumbled the second, "I am not sure that I will allow myself to be lit at all." Christmas eve drew nearer and nearer. Sure enough, the two little candles, with many others of blue and pink and yellow and red, were bought for a Christmas tree. On the day before Christmas, while it still was daylight, some young girls came to arrange the presents and make the tree ready for the evening.



"Oh, what a lot of pretty little candles!" said one of them. "They are such lovely colors—all except those two white ones. We will put those out of sight, because the red and pink ones are prettier."

"Didn't I tell you what would happen?" said the cross little candle in a whisper. "Yes, but wait," replied the other. "Just shine your brightest all the time."

"I won't," snapped the cross one. When evening came, ranged all round the tree were happy boys and girls. Soon every bough on the great tree blossomed with little lights. Some of the flames were faint, but many were bright. When the little white candles were lit the cross one just sputtered a minute and then went out. The other shone so brightly that a gentleman standing near said: "Oh, what a brilliant candle! But it is almost out of sight among the green branches. We ought to put it where it can be seen better."

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