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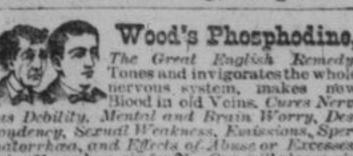
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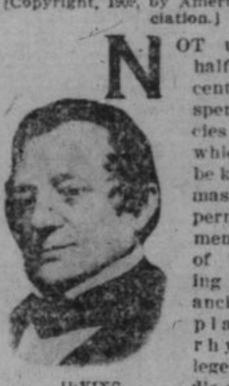


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Contrary to the prevailing notion, the

It is likely that it would occur to few Americans and to no Englishman to dissent if it were asserted in their is so inseparably connected with so much of the holiday literature en shrined in the popular heart that it i small wonder the mention of Christ mas suggests him. The credit of the "literary find," however, must be given to another, a man who was at the end of his thirties when Dickens was born, who had been at Malta when Nelson's fleet sailed away to Trafalgar, who had visited Sir Walter at Abbotsford and had captivated him and who was afterward secretary to the United States legation in England. That, of course, means Washington Irving.

Irving's first. book, "The Sketch-Book of Geoffrey Crayon, Gent., had pleased everybody, so much so, indeed, that it was republished by John Murray in London and translated into several corinental languages. Both the publishers and the public were urging him to do something equally meritorious. Nobody realized more keenly than did the author of the exquisite work the difficulty- of producing its mate, and he was not a man to be driven into mediocrity. Three years later he published "Bracebridge Hall," and the chapter of that masterpiece of literary workmanship entitled "Christmas at Bracebridge Hall" was the pioneer holiday tale of English literature and has furnished a model for subsequent fictionists which has seldom been equaled and never excelled. Its easy grace and felicity of expression were a revelation to everybody in those days, and the wonder

and the charm are potent still. 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 Perkins' 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. Most amazing of all, the author of the THE RATIONAL tale professed to believe that it was "Mrs. Perkins' Bail" that, had made his reputation-that, too, in the face of the fact that "Vanity Fair" had just been published. This perversion of Thackeray in regard to the literary value of his wares and his lack of faith in his masterpiece-he had so little [Copyright, 1909, by American Press Assaconfidence in the success of "Vanity .Fuir" that after it appeared be applied for a small government position-are proof sufficient that the man who cre-

ttes a-masterpiece may have a dim

conception of artistic values. All the makers of great fiction are more of less under the spell of their ammediate surroundings, but few have made it 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. in Master B.'s Room;" which is an account of things which happened to nim in his troubled boyhood. As a hild be was a firm believer in ghosts, and it is probable that he never entirey abandoned his faith in spectral apwarances. Many of his tales are peoled with disembodied spirits, and they re like the ghosts of no other writer. They are the spooks that appeal to one and make one believe in their genuinesess. They are frequently more real han the living characters who consort. She would sacrifice her sister and her with them. Although they are dead, they conduct themselves like living en-

Dickens' Christmas ghosts are unique the realm of literature. Of all the

silent shapes that have, been summoned from the

chantment to the become acclimat-

THACKERAY. onable spooks ever invented. They quently cheerful. They are not the naunting, sleep killing and never to be exorcised phantoms of the fairy tales, jut actual personalities, freed from all

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mortal restrictions in regard to locomotion that come to us when we bid them and vanish politely when we are weary

Bret Harte never made a secret of is admiration for the creator of Little Nell and Tom Pinch. Like Paul at the feet of Gamaliel, he was content to acknowledged to be his master. Not until after Dickens had finished his work did the young literary light who OT until the first stood revealed in the far western firmacentury was well that exquisite elegy "Dickens in spent did the spe- Camp" and had been heard to express erous terms. The dying novelist deof English speak hillited. And then be asked, with a ing mankind. The numorous gleam in his weary eyes. "Don't you think that his manner is very like my own?"

> Like Dickens. Harte had a genuine foudness for the doings of Yuletide. the last day of his life "be thought the last kepr up the fond and foolish custom of sending generous presents to his friends." Better appreciated in England than in his native country. abroad, but his stories were to the last distinctively American. In that admirable performance entitled "How Santa Claus Came to Simpson's Bar" here is no flavor of the old world Christmas, and Johnny, clothed in the stars and stripes, is a young American of the most unmistakable sort.

Two of the most strikingly dissimihr Christmas stories ever written are Hawthorne's



quet" and Miss Mitford's "Christmas Party." There is little of Christmas in Hawthorne's grewsome tale. The joyous festival is only a literary makeshift

around which is woven a weird psychological study that drives all remembrance of the blessed season from the mind. Its ghosts are not the sociable and easily banished spooks of Dickens. They are formless and creepy and all pervading. They are the fearsome specters that rise in the frigid vapors of German mysticism, and they are made icier still with a strong admixture of New England transcendentalism. It is a masterpiece in conception and in treatment-no question at all about that-but it does not make the Yule log glow more brightly or lend a better flavor to the steaming

Mary Russell Mitford does not deal in ghosts. All of her_Christmas characters are flesh and blood people, and they are not of the sort that "will not stay dead when they die." Her "Christmas Party" is as dainty in its workmanship as anything which ever came from her careful pen, and that is saying much. It is as restful and nonsuggestive as a pastoral, and its influence is as soothing as the delicate savor which escapes when the cover of a potpourri jar is lifted or the drawer of an old time cabinet is opened-the faint, pervasive odor of crush ed rose leaves and dried lavender.

CHRISTMAS. "Put it little lady.

By ELLIS FRAME

ciation. "Let us give in reason this year," she suggested; Not merely for the sake of giving very busy.

Let us, therefore, turn from foolish

She did her shopping early, being guided By lessons learned from much experi-

This is especially true of "The Ghost | She would show her lord and master, she For their baby boy she purchased

"Though the darling longed to have Wasn't sensible," she-murmured, with a

They would merely get a few things for

As might have been produced with drur He also got the works, unexpurgated, Of old Boccaccio and Rabelais,

while their child looked up at them, He had a culprit's manner, and sh

box. 25c 'nine days' wonder.

THE CHEERFUL

By ALICE LE BARION. [Copyright, 1909, by American Press Asso-

dles lay side by side in a big box. Both were pure white. Said one: "I wonder what come of us. Do you think we thing that can happen to a candle.

"Of course not," said the other, who shabby little children-see if it isn't." "If we are," said the first, "I'll shine my very brightest, for the eyes of even poor children with only few pleasures in prospect are enough to rival little candles on Christmas eve."

"If we are," grumbled the second, "I am not sure that I will allow myself to be lighted 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

"Yes, but wait," replied the other. "Just shine your brightest all the

"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 lighted 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." "Put it on the very tiptop," said a

And that is where they did put iton the very tiptop of the tree, where it nodded and gleamed in answer to the smiling faces around it.

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