

SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS TIDE

The spirit of the Christmas-tide is busy everywhere, and loving thoughts for friends and kin fly swiftly through the air.

THE HOLLY. Ye who have scorned each other, Or injured friend or brother, In this fast-fading year...

THE EVOLUTION OF A SANTA CLAUS

Sampson Wright was a reporter on the Tribune. He was a very good reporter, too, which conveys that he did whatever he was told to do...

"Do, Mr. Wright! Do! You don't know how thankful we'll be to you!" rose the chorus, hanging him in.

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"I can't! I never spoke from a platform in my life," protested Sampson, resolutely ignoring Kate, and addressing the audience collectively.

"I'm manufacturing some whiskers for him," informed Kate. She approached with a collection of raveled lamp-wicks in her hand.

addresses were made, the audience began to fidget; they preferred to see rather than to hear, but the calico curtains closing off the farther half of the platform parted.

Accordingly a quantity of loose plaster, with its covering of whitening, was "crunched up" and sprinkled over the unlucky Sampson's cap and shoulders.

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Kate, without hesitation, giving his arm a little squeeze of emphasis. "I didn't have much hopes of you, though, at first; you were so grumpy."

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A "Lost" Christmas Gift. At the approach of the first Christmas after the wedding, a certain bride, desirous of giving her best beloved something made by her own affectionate but inexperienced hands, manufactured a truly wonderful nightshirt.

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The following were drawn to serve as jurors at January term of court, commencing Monday, January 25th, 1904, and continuing two weeks:

- GRAND JURORS. Henry Zerby, farmer.....Haines D. B. Schenck, farmer.....Howard William Bliner, laborer.....Potter James A. Ott, laborer.....Bellefonte G. W. Stover, saddler.....Millheim William Walker, miller.....Liberty William Kunes, laborer.....Liberty W. C. Walk, farmer.....Taylor George W. Smith, farmer.....Walker John Armagast, farmer.....Benner Frank Peters, farmer.....Unioa W. J. Thorsell, blacksmith.....Haines Gottlieb Haag, gentleman.....Bellefonte A. W. Dale, farmer.....College Clayton Weaver, miller.....Miles Clayton Brunart, farmer.....Spring Miles Enoch Sweyer, farmer.....Harris Ira Lyle, weaver.....Benner Thomas Tabridy, laborer.....Snow Spring W. P. Irwin, laborer.....Spring C. E. Murray, merchant.....Phillipsburg William R. McClosky, farmer.....Curtin James Gregg, teacher.....Milesburg Elmer Henderson, merchant.....Huston

- TRAVELERS JURORS—1st WEEK. William Beck, farmer.....Walker Henry Weaver, farmer.....Liberty Adam Cowher, blacksmith.....Worth George R. Price, farmer.....Worth Conrad Immel, laborer.....Gregg A. C. Ripka, farmer.....Potter F. D. Young, laborer.....Paiton E. H. Zeigler, farmer.....Miles Collins Baumgardner, farmer.....Spring Henry Confer, farmer.....Miles John E. Foreman, laborer.....Howard Frank Beck, clerk.....Rush David Dutcher, mechanic.....S. Phillipsburg Benjamin Breen, lumberman.....Gregg Claude Gette, bookkeeper.....Phillipsburg John W. Oyer, farmer.....Curtin B. F. Blair, farmer.....Patton F. C. Croyle, blacksmith.....Phillipsburg Joseph W. Marshall, farmer.....Benner John A. Heckman, farmer.....Potter A. J. Gorton, gentleman.....Phillipsburg James McClincy, farmer.....Unioa Joseph S. Smith, shoemaker.....Snow Shoe William Zeigler, farmer.....Miles George W. Fisher.....Halfmoon Jasper Steel, farmer.....Huston Henry Snively, lumberman.....Walker James Noll, lime burner.....Milesburg George Walk, laborer.....Rush J. S. Auman, miller.....Centre Hall R. B. Treister, farmer.....Potter W. B. Snyder, superintendent.....Snow Shoe Samuel Hoover, farmer.....Taylor Miles P. Heaton, farmer.....Boggs S. M. Miller, gentleman.....Phillipsburg Thomas Swaghter, carpenter.....Bellefonte Frank Smith, painter.....Ferguson Harvey Bowersox, farmer.....Ferguson James Winklebuck, farmer.....Haines John Eisle, painter.....Snow Shoe Robert A. Lucas, laborer.....Snow Shoe William Ripka, carpenter.....Gregg M. S. Pledler, gentleman.....Millheim Fred Bartley, gentleman.....Boggs Elmer E. Swartz, farmer.....Spring Charles Hess, farmer.....Rush August Newman, merchant.....Millsburg Alonzo Grow, merchant.....Burnside

- TRAVELERS JURORS—2ND WEEK. Charles Reese, farmer.....Boggs George B. Shaffer, merchant.....Penn John W. Beck, laborer.....Howard J. G. Platt, merchant.....Phillipsburg Charles Heikel, laborer.....Liberty Warren Ward, merchant.....Ferguson Isiah Beck, farmer.....Halfmoon W. A. Sandoe, tailor.....Centre Hall Foster Williams, clerk.....Bellefonte J. J. McDonald, railroad boss.....Unionville Snyder Tate, ice dealer.....Spring Paul Musser, laborer.....Rush Theodore B. Haupt, cigarmaker.....Spring H. Gross, merchant tailor.....Bellefonte Jacob Bergstromer, photographer.....Walker Harry S. Kraemer, gentleman.....Snow Shoe Daniel Long, laborer.....Miles W. H. Odenkirck, clerk.....Centre Hall A. W. Kennedy, bookkeeper.....Rush W. W. Neese, gentleman.....Gregg F. S. Ocker, clerk.....Bellefonte Christian Robb, farmer.....Liberty J. B. Hazel, merchant.....Miles Martin Neidigh, farmer.....Ferguson Thomas S. Harnish, farmer.....Bellefonte W. F. Rishel, farmer.....College W. H. Mokie, tinsmith.....College J. W. Conley, clerk.....Bellefonte Sylvester Singley, optician.....State College R. D. Butler, farmer.....Howard Daniel Eberhart, carpenter.....Bellefonte L. C. Blinlock, laborer.....Huston Samuel Ard, gentleman.....Penn Elmer Boop, farmer.....Gregg Hiram Thompson, lay at your feet, saying that if I succeeded him I was to use it as I thought best, but if another took his place, I was to turn the money over to him, after a period of four months had elapsed. This I now do in the presence of Monsignor Marzolini, who has been the only other person to share the secret.

- Pinx X Gets Over 45,000,000 Francs. Is Wealth of Leo X11 that Had Caused Much Contentment in Rome, 9,250,000 Francs Found. According to the Tribune, the vatican had sudden wealth poured into its coffers last week. For some time certain sums, which were known to be possessed by Pope Leo, were locked up for without result, the search toward the end becoming somewhat feverish.

Cardinal Gotti, prefect of the progranada, accompanied by Monsignor Marzolini, one of the late pope's secretaries, drove up to the vatican and, getting out hurriedly, began tugging at a heavy object in the carriage. Assistance was offered, but it was refused and Cardinal Gotti and Monsignor Marzolini, between them, carried the mysterious object to the apartment of Pope Pius. They were immediately admitted and remained for two hours.

Intense curiosity was aroused by this act, as it was believed to have some relation to the missing wealth, and the widest rumors were circulated. It soon became known, however, that the bag contained 45,000,000 francs \$9,000,000 in bank notes.

When Cardinal Gotti entered the presence of the pope, he sank to his knees and, pointing to his burden, said: "Your holiness, the lamented Leo, just before his death, confided to me the money, which I may lay at your feet, saying that if I succeeded him I was to use it as I thought best, but if another took his place, I was to turn the money over to him, after a period of four months had elapsed. This I now do in the presence of Monsignor Marzolini, who has been the only other person to share the secret. The pope was much affected. The Tribune goes on to relate that just about the time this scene was being enacted in the papal apartments an electrician, while removing the hangings in the late pope's chamber, in order to get at the electric light wires, found in a hole in the wall several bags, which were carelessly tied. These bags, when opened, were found to contain 9,250,000 francs \$1,850,000.

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