

Serena Ann..

Her First Christmas Keeping.

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Fifty years ago Serena Ann lived in Brantree, and Christmas-keeping was not yet much the fashion in New England. Serena Ann was ten years old, and she had never seen a Christmas-tree, hung up her stockings, or had a Christmas present even.

Serena Ann's father was a farmer; she had a mother, and an Aunt Love, her mother's sister, who lived with them, and was to be married in February, and a brother Ebenezer.

One night in the first week in December, Serena Ann was sitting beside the fire, with the piece of broken slate on her lap, trying to do a sum about ten grayhounds running a race, and how long it would take for one to catch up with the other, when Ebenezer came home from school.

"I've got to get the snow off," panted Ebenezer. "Oh, mother--" "You ought to get it off in the shed, then," said his mother.

"Neither did I," said her mother. "I never thought of such a thing when I was a little girl. Now, 'tend to your sum."

And Serena Ann attended to her sum; but the thought of Christmas seemed to gain upon her childish mind much faster than one grayhound upon the other. She could not quite give up the hope that possibly, if she did hang up her stockings, somebody might put some-thing in it.

"You can hang it up, but I shall tell you what I do, Ebenezer. You won't get anything in it. I shan't treat one of you any better than I do the other."

ally somewhat ashamed of his woman's headwear, kept his face turned away, and both Solomon Soley and his sister, Pamela, thought there were two ladies in the chaise, and not one aunt and the young man for whom they were looking.

As for Serena Ann, she was fast asleep under the camel cloak and saw nobody, and her Aunt Love and Joshua never dreamed she was there. Moreover they were looking for one gentleman in the chaise with her, and here was a young lady also.

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It had grown very cold, and the wind blew. Mr. Solomon got out a great plaid camel cloak from under the chaise seat, and put it on over his mulberry-colored one.

When he turned the chaise around, and drove back to the store, where his sister had stopped, and before Serena Ann fairly knew it they were on the road to Brantree.

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When she discovered that her little niece was not behind her and looked around in dismay and lost the color out of her pretty pink cheeks, several sympathizing ladies had gathered around her, and one had been quite sure she had seen a little girl just like Serena Ann in a lambswool tip and brown silk hood, run down a side street a little way back.

Quaker Oats advertisement with illustration of a man and text: 'Now boys, all together--Recite!''

Professional Cards section listing various medical practitioners and their offices.

Radway's Ready Relief advertisement with text: 'Always in the house, its use will prove beneficial on all occasions of pain or sickness.'

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RAILROAD TIME-TABLES Central Railroad of New Jersey. Train leaves Scranton for Philadelphia and New York via D. & H. R. R. at 7.45 a.m.

Advertisement for Delaware and Hudson Railroad with text: 'The Delaware and Hudson Railroad. Commencing Monday, July 23, all trains will arrive at Lackawanna station as follows.'

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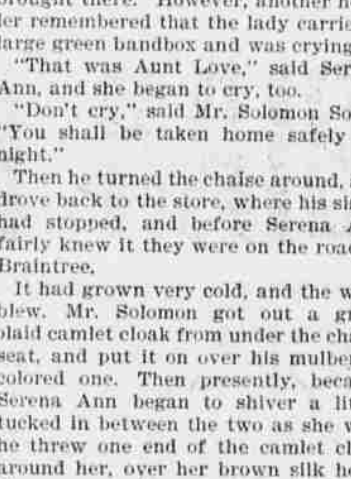
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Ladies Who Value advertisement with text: 'A refined complexion is no Poeson's Powder. It produces a soft and beautiful skin.'



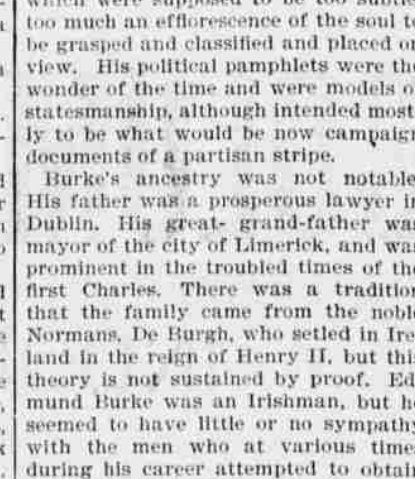
She Almost Cried as She Went Along.



Smiled at Each Other Above Her Head.



We Must Take Her to the Sign of the Lamb.



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