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GRANDMA HAD CONSUMPTION

and I am afraid I have inherited it. I do not feel well; I have a cough; my lungs are sore; am losing flesh. What shall I do?

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CHRISTMAS, '99.

God is love forevermore; Love we Him, and Him adore, In the Christ-child born of you.

Let your living ring the praise; Like a chime like a bell; Sweet as carols by your days.

Beautiful with holiness, Let your daily deeds confess In whose name ye seek to bless.

What the rights ring clear between; What the bounteous evergreen.

—Harriet McEwen Kimball, In Union signal.

BECKY'S CHRISTMAS.

BY JENNIE M. HINSHAM.

"Say, daddy!"
No response from the man who sat moping by the stove with his feet on the stove-hearth and his old hat pulled down to his eyes.

"Say, daddy!"
The old hat moved a little.

"Huh!"
"Say, daddy!" and this was a very persuasive "say," not at all like the inquiring ones before, "did you know about it—that to-morrow's Christmas?" He shook his head slowly.

"Oh, it is, it is, truly. I've kept count for ever and so many days, since 'Yore 'Thanksgiving'! And Mr. Patrick knows, I guess, and he brought home a Christmas tree this very morning. I seen it, daddy; now don't you believe it?"

The child was sitting on a stool by his side. She rested her hand on his knee with a little caress that somehow appealed to him, even in his dull, despondent condition. Such a little hand, too. How thin and claw-like it grew! Somehow Becky didn't seem to grow like other girls. Perhaps she was built small—some children are.

She left her stool and came and stood by his side and reached up her daddy to put them about his neck. "Daddy, I love you. Dye's 'pose I'll get a dolly, a wax dolly, in my stocking, to-morrow? It's Christmas. A wax dolly with curly hair, and she'll open and shut her eyes,—a wax dolly, and Becky only was left. There had been a fearful going downhill—fearful. Better for all of them to be dead and in their graves. 'Twas a miserable world, even on a Christmas eve.

He was married on Christmas eve, now that he thought of it. He had a little home then. The mother of those babies he used to love was overworked, and she didn't know how to love, and Becky only was left. There had been a fearful going downhill—fearful. Better for all of them to be dead and in their graves. 'Twas a miserable world, even on a Christmas eve.

The Smallest Republics in the World.

There is a number of small republics in the world about which so little is known that not one person in a thousand could tell you anything about them, yet each is a little kingdom, ruled by a President and Council to govern state affairs and its own peculiar trials and troubles to worry the people. As regards population, the smallest republic in the world is that of Tavolara, an island about five miles long, with a width of little more than half a mile, situated about a dozen miles to the northeast of Sardinia. The total population of the whole of the republic does not exceed sixty, but they elect a President every six years and a Council of six members, all of whom serve the State without pay. The women of this island go to the polls and vote with the men, and ever since it became a republic in 1888 all public business has been transacted without turmoil, the elections taking place in a quiet and unexciting manner.

The Chinese Lily.

Once upon a time there lived in China two orphan brothers. The elder brother, not satisfied with having inherited the larger share of the parental estate, seized the most valuable part of the younger's, leaving him but a few acres of rocky, unfruitful soil.

The younger brother bore the greediness of the elder one until he was finally overcome with poverty and hunger. Then, in great despair, he threw himself upon the ground, and there sobbing and bewailing his cruel fate.

Suddenly he heard a sweet voice calling his name. Opening his eyes he saw a fairy bending over him, who bade him arise, saying:

"My patience and forbearance have been tried, and now great shall be thy reward. Thou shalt find riches and fame beneath the soil where thou hadst but a moment ago rested. To reach the treasure will be no easy task, but be patient and persevering. Rest not until thou hast found that which shall cause thee to be honored and loved for a thousand generations."

Tarring the Sheep's Nose.

After the sheep are shorn their noses should be rubbed with some tar to repel the fly which lays the egg that hatches into the very troublesome head. It is very little trouble to tar all the sheep in a flock if you only know how. Put a little salt over the tar, and the sheep will tar their own noses effectually, and will very likely rub their tarred noses on the sides and shoulders of other sheep. This is why it is best to speak about tarring sheep a plain man who has a hobby of collecting Washingtonians; he quite willingly paid \$1000. The buyer is believed to be Henry Havemeyer.

Difference in Bootblacks.

"Did you ever notice the difference between the dark and Italian bootblacks?" said a man about town to the Chicago Inter Ocean reporter. "I say bootblacks in Chicago is done by one or the other. The darkies do the work in barber shops and shoe stores and the Italians run most of the 'parlors.'"

"Now, you watch a darky, and if he alone he'll talk to his customer. If there's two of them they'll chatter together like magpies. And the darky is so full of music and dance that he's got to put them into his work. He'll put in all sorts of fantastic motions and beat out a rick tick of time, as if he were picking a banjo or cutting a pigeonwing. When he brushes you he'll beat you with the whip broom in the same way."

Rev. John Reid, of Great Falls, Mont., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement. "It is a positive cure for rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, and all other forms of nerve pain. It is also a good remedy for sprains, bruises, and all other injuries to the body. It is sold by all druggists and is very cheap."

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Christmas in Other Lands.

The festival of Yule was a feature derived from Norse mythology, the word Yule being derived from a Norse word for wheel. In the Edda the sun is styled Yggdrasil (fair or shining wheel), and a remnant of his worship under the name of a fire-wheel survived in the language of the Norsemen as late as 1823. The inhabitants of the village of Konz, on the Moselle, were in the habit, on St. John's eve, of taking a great wheel, wrapped in straw to the top of a high tree, and then setting it on fire. It rolled down the hill, flaming all the way; if it reached the Moselle before being extinguished a good vintage was anticipated. In the greenery with which we still deck our houses and temples of worship, and in the Christmas trees laden with gifts, we perhaps see a relic of the symbols by which our heathen forefathers signified their faith in the power of the returning sun to clothe the earth again with green and new growth from the tree; and the frumensy still, or lately, eaten on Christmas eve or morning, in many parts of England, seems to be a lingering memory of the offerings paid to Hilda or Beata, the divine mother, the Northern Ceres, or personification of fruitfulness, to whom presents were offered on the occasion of the burning of the Yule log (or Yule cake) to signify the use of fire in the worship of the sun.

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