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the proper time l'il ascend the roof and slide down the chimney; it is just large senough for the purpose. And I guess that's all."

During the balance of the evening, cuntil nine o'clock, there was a great deal of active preparation in progress in the Bell mansion; the north room was tidied, and a semi-circle of chairs is placed for the expected guests, who began to arrive at the stipulated time. Mr. Bell was in a fine frenzy of excitement; he declared to his wife, in a whisper, that he felt like a boy again, nand she replied that she was ten years younger than she was before he unfolded his delicious scheme. By half-past nine all the guests, large and small, were in their places; Mr. Moon, a young man who had been studying law for ten years, and who hoped soon to be admitted to the bar, sat next to Miss Rose, upon whose hand he had serious designs, and his efforts to appear at ease were amusing and instructive; Mr. Brewster, who was small and timid looking, nestled beside his wife, who was massive and had a bass voice; is lence brooded over the throng until Mr.

Bell, who was given to speeches, went into another attitude, and said:

"Children, I have heard that you don't believe there is a Santa Claus? You have formed the unworthy idea that your parents and friends fill your stockings on Christmas eve, and that good old fur-clothed Santa is a myth. Now, I have here a letter from Santa. (Great excitement among the children.)

"And he says that he will arrive here at ten o'clock, coming down the chimney which you see before you. I must leave you for awhile, as I must keep watch outside; but you must all be quiet and keep your seats, or Santa Claus may become angry, and refuse to enter."

Ten o'clock was announced by the tall.



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courage was generally unswerving and uncompromising, tried to stifle a shrick, and only half succeeded.



shall do it or not. The last time I pro-

shall do it or not. The last time I proposed to you, you rafused me, as usual. If you'll promse to marry me, I'll rescue your uncle; if you won't, I leave this town forever—and your uncle in the chimney. His kicks are growing feeble and labored; I don't think he can last more than three minutes."

The young lady leveled a glance of scorn at him that should have withered him, but he stood firm. He felt that his whole future was at stake, and reflected that all's fair in love and war. There was a stern, cold silence for a minute or two. Meanwhile the vibrations of Santa's legs became desultory and spasmodic, and his muffled groans betokened extreme exhaustion.

"Wretch!" cried the young lady, at last, "rescue my uncle! You shall have the reward you ask."

The wretch bowed with noble grace and a moment later was on the roof, with a rope in his hand; he let the rope down the chimney, and called to Santa Claus to grasp it and hang on. Santa did so, and toiled upward while Mr. Moon pulled; after 15 minutes of discressing work, Santa emerged from the chimney, a poor, battered effigy of himself. Mr. Moon assisted him to the ground and into the house, where the children and the other guests crowded about him and laughed; for children always will laugh when they ought to weep.

When Mr. Bell was recovered sufficiently he heaved existed the deficient of the contract of the contr

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One day in March Mr. Moon led his bride to the altar; he held his head high and his eye sparkled. After the ceremony there was a dinner at Mr. Bell kinself was residence, and Mr. Bell himself was rediant with good humor and hospitality. He called the young couple aside, and induged in an attitude and a speech:

"My beloved ones," he began, "the morning of life opens radiant to you; sunlight glimmers upon the waters, there are blue skies overhead, and—erthe robin redbreasts are twittering on the boughs. But dark days of tempest and storm may come; rolling waves may threaten your bark, and then remember that if you need a helping hand, you may call upon Rufus Bell."

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