## THE CHRISTMAS TREE MARCHERITA ARLINA HAMM COMES ONCE A YEAR, WHEN DAYS ARE DARK AND NIGHTS ARE DREAR AND ON THE HEARTH THE FIRE BURNS CLEAR, AND SNOW CLOUDS GATHER FAR AND NEAD THEN SANTA CLAUS WITH HEARTY STILE WITH A REINDEER TEAM FOR MANY A MILE BRINGS TREE AND TOYS FOR LITTLE BOYS, AND DOLLS WITH CURLS FOR LITTLE GIRLS, AND BOOKS AND DRUMS AND SUGAR PLUMS AND TOPS AND MOPS AND CORN THAT POPS AND BUILDING BLOCKS IN WOODEN BOXS PENKNIVES WHICH CUT AND GOATS THAT BUTT IDASEBALLS AND BATS AND CANDY CATS AND RATS THAT WIND AND RUN ADOUT NO PUMPS WHICH PUMP A WATER-SPOUT, AND THEN DEFORE HE RUND AWAY, HE LEAVES A CARD WRICH IS TO SAY A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS DAY."

Crossing the Feet. Physical culturists say that the prac-

tice of sitting with the legs or even the feet crossed is a bad one and has more to do with cold feet than most persons imagine. It has this result principally through impeding the circulation of the blood in the leg that is crossed over the other. The femoral veins are cramped, with the consequence that the blood is dammed back into the feet and above the knee, inducing as well as cold feet a varicose condition in the veins of the calves. Another reason why the habit should be discouraged is the fact that on general physiological principles it is healthier to sit squarely with both feet resting upon the floor, whereas with the legs crossed the weight of the body is thrown almost wholly to one side or the other.

. Child's Logie.

ed. One day this observant miss saw ters is satisfied. He has enough.-St. a lame man on the street and asked her mother what made him walk so queer. The mother told her it was because one leg was shorter than the

"Well," she said. "there is a girl around the corner who is that way." After a few minutes' meditation she

"Mamma, wasn't it funny that God didn't give the two long legs to the man and the two short ones to the girl?"-Baltimore Sum

Labeled the Girls.

A good joke was played on the girls recently by the young men of a certain town. The boys had been rather remiss in their attentions, and the girls decided to show their independence. Consequently five of them hired a box at the theater and made a very charming theater party.

The play was "Wanted, a Husband," and the girls sat serene through it all, never dreaming that the enemy had fastened one of the posters, "Wanted, a Husband," round the box so that the audience might read.

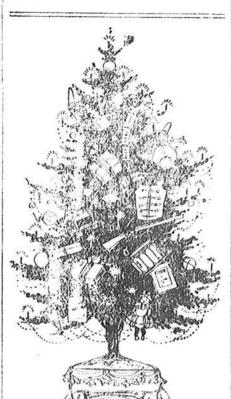
The Happier Man.

A north Missouri paper asks, "Who Is the happier, the man who possesses \$100,000 or the man who has seven daughters?" To which another exdaughters?" To which another exchange replies: "The man with the Going out of business A stery illustrating the severe logic surplus girls, of course. The man with the money is not satisfied and wants of for man etc. more. The man with the seven daugh- offer my stock of Louis Post-Dispatch.

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