

Santa Claus in an Automobile

SANTA CLAUS IN AN AUTOMOBILE.

When the streets of the city are whitened with snow... And windows are coated with rime...

A Christmas Dream

By TOM MASSON



VE been wanting," said Wiggton, "to have a good old-fashioned Christmas for years—a Christmas such as I used to have when I was a boy—and this year I am going to have it."

keys—what do you know about 'em, anyway?" "Martha," said Mrs. Wiggton, as she helped herself, "is evidently not a waitress."



"I HAVE A CONFESSION TO MAKE."

hear you. A waitress! Well, I should say not. Martha comes from one of the oldest families here. And by the way, my dear, try and unbend, won't you? Martha's sensitive, and might feel it."

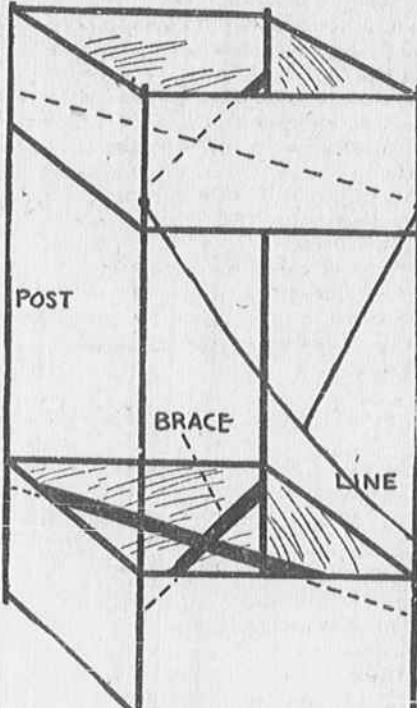
IN THE PUBLIC EYE.



HON. THOMAS E. WATSON, of Georgia.

HOW TO MAKE A BOX KITE.

Boys and girls, and even grown-ups, have learned that there is fun at kite flying from early spring until late fall. One thing that has helped them to learn this is the flying qualities of the box kite.



to guard against tearing. Now while some one holds up the four posts, set the braces in place and tie the light cords around the whole frame right at the ends. There; the frame is up. Now draw the paper snug around it, just inside the cords and paste the ends together.

EGYPT'S NEXT KHEDIVÉ.

Prince Mohamed Abdul Mounem, elder son of the Khedive and heir-apparent of the Khedival throne, was born on the 20th of February, 1890, and is consequently a little over five



THE EGYPTIAN HEIR APPARENT.

years old. His mother, the Princess Ikbal Hanem, is famed for her beauty, inherited from a long line of Caucasian ancestors, and she is very gifted, exhibiting the happiest influence over her son.

Her Opinion of Boys.

A little girl wrote the following essay on boys: "Boys are men that have not got as big as their papas, and girls are women that will be ladies by and by. When God looked at Adam, He said to himself, 'Well, I think I can do better if I try again,' and He made Eve. Boys are a trouble. They wear out everything but soap. If I had my way the world would be girls and the rest dolls. My papa is so nice that I think he must have been a little girl when he was a little boy. Man was made, and on the seventh day he rested."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Using Stamps Over.

Some Chinamen in West Java have discovered a way to use postage stamps over and over again. On sticking a new stamp upon an envelope they smear the stamp on the face with paste or with a layer of thin glue. On the stamp being defaced at the postoffice, the addressee can easily wash away the paste or glue, which brings with it the postmark, and the stamp is again bright and unspotted.

Cultivating the Eye.

A pianist has to cultivate the eye to see about 1500 signs in one minute, the fingers to make about 2000 movements and the brain to receive and understand separately the 1500 signs while it issues 2000 orders. In playing Weber's "Moto Perpetuo" a pianist has to read 451 notes in a little under four minutes.

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE NEWS ITEMS.

At Hands of Unknown Parties. The jury of inquest in the Hughes case assembled at Treaton last Monday, and, after two or three hours of testimony and consideration, returned verdict that the Hughes family came to death at the hands of parties or persons unknown.

Surrenders After Killing Negro. Will Hill, colored, who was shot near Newberry on November 11th, by J. H. Amick, white, has died from the effects of the wound. Immediately after the coroner's inquest was held Amick surrendered to Sheriff Muford. He is now lodged in the county jail.

Federation for Charleston. James Leonard, of New Orleans, organizer of the American Federation of Labor, is in Charleston perfecting the organization of the local branch of his order. The unions are fairly well organized in the city, but Leonard was

Charleston's Railroad Troubles. Charleston is about to have another fight against a railroad on her hands, this time the Charleston Terminal Company, which has practically refused to repair certain wharves and provide the storage and berth facilities demanded by the best interests of the port.

Coast Line; and Culp, C. H. Ackert, T. C. Powell, freight of the Southern were few days ago for continuing betterment of Channels, now owned jointly roads. Improvements a to meet the increased of the port.

Aaron Prileau Convict. Aaron P. Prileau, colored, can candidate at the last election in the first district, was elected in the United States at Charleston last Monday of via section 3381 Revised Statutes, linking with and opening decay in a while a railway postal clerk, in 2. The jury, including one negro, stood eleven to one for conviction, later brought in a verdict of guilty with recommendation to mercy.

Big Crop on One-Horse Farm. To make seventeen bales of cotton, twenty-four two-horse loads of corn, forty-five bushels of peas, and four hundred bundles of fodder,

tendent of Education Martin to remove the South Carolina Military Academy to Columbia and consolidate it with the South Carolina college, making a state university, has caused a sensation and the superintendent is being criticised, not because he favors the removal of the institution from Charleston, which he is conceded to have a perfect right to recommend, but on account of the unkindly references which he makes to the city, which has stood by the institution for years.

He refers to the pending of the election of the board of visitors for the removal of the police station, which is in close proximity to the citadel, by the city council, and charges that by failure to act promptly the city shows that the academy is not wanted.

Importers have recently had much trouble in securing berths for their vessels, being forced to pay demurrage in some cases because of the failure of the corporation to repair its wharves and provide the automatic appliances necessary in unloading bulk cargoes.

The business of the port is increasing on account of it being the deep water port of the South Atlantic coast, and the only port where the deepest draft vessels can enter easily. The business people argue that unless the wharves are kept up and deep water provided in the slips, a deep channel

Little Girl Drops Dead on Attempting to Recite a Bible Verse.

Excitement and nervousness because she is to recite a verse from the Bible at a Christmas entertainment of a church in Brooklyn, N. Y., caused the death of May Young, 10 years old. While she and ninety-nine other little girls were at the church hearing for the entertainment, she stepped from the line to recite a verse and fell on her face



CHRISTMAS NIGHT—LITLED ONE.

The yule logs burn to an ashen char; The joys of the day assemble, Like beams that cling to a dying star, While a wooden soldier dreams of war On a Christmas bough a-tremble.

The last little bear in the picture book His tale in the wood has spoken; And tired eyes close on a last fond look At the sweets and toys in niche and nook, Scattered and bent and broken.

"I don't seem to have anything to say," she observed, "if you have made all the preparations. When do we start?"

"Tomorrow," said Wiggton. "Back

"I guess I know, John," she said, calling Wiggton by his first name "N you'll have it if I kn give it to yew."

"Mrs. Wiggton sat silent, with a novel she had brought to read. Being from the city, having married John after he had gone away from home, she was temporarily out of it, and merely an object of curiosity.

"What's the matter with this base burner?" said Wiggton, examining the ancient heater with its singlass windows. "It doesn't seem to heat up the way it used to. And the blamed thing throws out enough coal gas to run a gas-house with."

Martha came in and gave it a shake down.

"I guess it's all right," she said. "Haint ben used fer some time, but it never did burn the way it ought to."

The next day, when Wiggton and his wife at last sat down to their Christmas dinner, that enthusiastic gentleman rubbed his hands in glee.

"Now," he said, "we're in fer it. 'Here comes the turkey. Hooray!'"

Martha brought it in on a platter. She followed with chicken pie, boiled cabbage, cranberry sauce and mashed

pie, the most abominable coffee, to say nothing of those fierce and indigestible doughnuts, that I have tasted for years. And now I'm going to find out about the next train back. I want to



"A GOOD SQUARE MEAL."

get home as soon as possible and have a good, square meal."—New York Mail and Express.

Oh, the merry, merry bells of Christmas! Hark! Hark! Do you hear them ring; And the merry, merry Christmas carols, Do you hear the children sing? And the winsome, bittlesome, bonny lassies, Do you see their smiling eyes? And the shining of their silken raiment, And their cheeks' carnation eyes?

A Dream.

If every day were Christmas! With joy the sentence thrills The offices would all stay shut And we needn't pay our bills.



and neighbors for their kindness and helpfulness during the sickness and death of my dear husband and pray God's blessings may rest on them, and on his kind physician whom he loved so much.

Jennie Field, Pickens, R. F. D. No. 1.

—If your church does not need painting, remember that I've winner can devote the estimated cost to any other church improvements.

If all those whose names are on the list were like our old friend it would not be necessary to adopt the "cash in advance" plan; but a country paper's subscription list is made up of four classes. Those who pay in advance. Those who pay promptly at the end of the year. Those who pay when it suits their convenience, and those who never pay. A business of that kind requires the services of a collector, which is an expense the paper can ill afford, to say nothing of the loss from non-payers. You



MODEL SCHOOLHOUSE WHICH WON THE PRIZE AT THE ST. LOUIS WORLD'S FAIR.

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