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Go Home for Christmas

STOP at this busy Christmas season and think for a moment of the folks back home. Consider how much happier they will be if you are with them on this Christmas day. Perhaps your parents are getting very old now—perhaps they have only a few more Christmases to spend here. Certainly your presence at the old home place would add greatly to their joy. Think of the days when you were a child—of the Christmases, now gone forever, when your father and mother did so much to make you happy. A man's mother is the best friend he ever had or ever can have. One owes it to her to spend Christmas at her side and to devote the day to making her happy. But if we have no mother what would be prettier, what sentiment or act could be more beautiful, than to visit her grave and make it green with wreaths and flowers on Christmas day?

AUNT LOU'S FUNNY PRESENT

FREDDIE was very fond of Aunt Lou and had been saving up his pennies to buy her a Christmas present. He had five when he climbed into his mother's lap to consult as to how the money should be invested. After the conference it was agreed that Aunt Lou's present should be a rose.

The florist's was only five blocks down the street. In front of the little corner grocery store stood Bobbie, Freddie's chum, studying the wonderful things in the window.

"Hello," said Freddie. "Have you got a copper?"

Bobbie displayed two, and Freddie asked what he was going to buy.

"Don't know. Come on; let's go in," said Bobbie.

On the counter was a box of white clay pipes with funny faces on them. Bobbie's bright eyes spied them at once. "How much is the bubble pipe?" he asked.

"Just a cent," said the man behind the counter.

Bobbie bought one, and Freddie lingered at the box. He asked, "How many would five coppers buy?"

"Six," Freddie bought six.

Freddie returned home, and mamma looked up from her sewing and asked, "Did you get it?"

"Six, mamma, six beautiful ones!" he cried excitedly.

"Why, Freddie, you couldn't get six for five cents," said his mother.

"Yes, I did," said the little boy. "Just look here!"

"Why, Freddie, they're pipes, and Aunt Lou doesn't want pipes. Where is the rose?"

Freddie stood before her, speechless. He had forgotten the rose—forgotten all about Aunt Lou's Christmas present. He was a very little boy, but not too little to be ashamed.

"Did you spend all of your coppers?" mamma asked gently, and Freddie nodded his head and gulped.

"I don't think Aunt Lou will like pipes quite as well as a rose, do you?" mamma asked. "Never mind, dear; wrap up the pipes for her."

"But Aunt Lou doesn't want pipes," Freddie said chokingly.

"Didn't you buy them for Aunt Lou, dear?" mamma asked.

"They are for me," said Freddie in a low voice.

"And what have you got for Aunt Lou, who always gives you such a nice Christmas present?"

Freddie crept very close and asked, "Will you please give me five cents?"



"BUBBLE PIPE!" SHE CRIED.

"That would be mamma's present, dear, and not yours. You saved the coppers for Aunt Lou, and if you have bought pipes with them you must give her the pipes."

Christmas day Freddie gave the pipes to Aunt Lou. His papa laughed. His mother smiled, and a merry twinkle appeared in Aunt Lou's eyes. She caught sight of a little red, mortified face with two blue eyes brimming with tears. "That was too much for Aunt Lou. Not for worlds would she add to Freddie's distress."

"Bubble pipe!" she cried joyously. "Now, isn't that splendid? Why, bubble parties are all the rage now. I'll be able to give a party myself tomorrow afternoon, and you must all be sure to come."

A little smile was beginning to dimple around Freddie's lips, and he was blinking away the tears that had gathered. "One's broke," he said in a little, wavering voice.

"Is it? Why, yes! And right close to the bowl! Isn't that fine? Why, lots of girls I know always curl their hair on pipestems and think they're far nicer than curling tongs."

After Freddie had gone to bed mamma told papa and Aunt Lou all the story about Aunt Lou's present.

"You're a darling, Lou," papa said as he kissed his sister. "I'm really ashamed of myself for laughing."

Aunt Lou smiled. "Will you come to my bubble party?" she asked.

"I'll do more than that," papa answered. "I'll buy the prize for it."

Actors on Christmas

There's lots of work, and there ain't no play, so what's the use of a Christmas day?

THAT little verse, paraphrased from one familiar to soldiers, just about sums up the real Christmas sentiment existing among people connected with the theatrical business. No, that doesn't mean that the actor, the manager and the advance agent do not appreciate the giving and receiving of presents from their friends. But it does mean that people connected with the stage have come to look upon the Christmas first as a season of short pay and hard work.

It isn't generally known, but it is none the less true, that most actors have a clause in their contracts which calls for half pay the week before Christmas. This clause was inserted in the contracts before the war, when Christmas really was a "tough" one in the theatrical business. But nowadays there are many productions which pack the theaters to the doors the week before Christmas as well as any other week in the year. Nevertheless some of the managers live to the conclusion that stage people, like other human beings, might like to spend some part of the Christmas holiday with their friends and relatives. Up to that year it had been the custom of all managers to give a special matinee on Christmas day. The result, of course, was that the actor had to do on this festive occasion was to rush to the theater almost as soon as he had acquired his regular amount of sleep, give an afternoon performance and then, if fortunate enough to have friends or relatives living in the city, to hurry through his Christmas dinner with them or leave before it was half over to go back to the theater to play the evening performance.

But a few of the managers changed that last year by omitting the Christmas matinee and giving the day off following. There were other managers, however, who not only gave the Christmas matinee, but acted on the suggestion of their more charitable competitors and gave the matinee the day after too. However, this omission of the

matinee was confined almost exclusively to a few of the first class theaters in New York city.

On the road it is different. The actors have to work just as hard as they ever did, and opposition from local managers will probably prevent the elimination of the Christmas matinee outside of New York city.

With some companies Christmas is not the disagreeable occasion that it is with others. One or two owners make it a practice to instruct the manager with the company to have a Christmas dinner prepared at the expense of the show. Sometimes a caterer is called in, and the dinner is served on the stage between the matinee and the evening performance. In that event the dinner usually proves prolific of material for the house press agent, and the affair is duly recorded in the daily papers. Sometimes it is served on the stage between the evening performance and the matinee. In that event the dinner usually proves prolific of material for the house press agent, and the affair is duly recorded in the daily papers. Sometimes it is served on the stage between the evening performance and the matinee. In that event the dinner usually proves prolific of material for the house press agent, and the affair is duly recorded in the daily papers.

It was one of those after the performance affairs that came pretty near putting a traveling stock company out of business in a town out in Iowa last Christmas. This theater, by the way, is the only dog critic in existence. This comes from the fact that if the dog doesn't like a show he will start to howl, and he has to be removed from the theater before the performance can be continued.

Only a month before a well known concert singer was appearing at the theater. She had about finished one of her best selections when the dog poked his nose over the railing of an upper box and began to howl his disapproval. That led to the temporary banishment of the dog critic from the theater. But when the stock company came along the manager heard about

the dog, willing to take a chance that the dog's judgment of his show would be favorable, he suggested that the dog be allowed to sit by a big well, which was a part of the scenic effect in one of the acts, just for the sake of realism.

Now, this same manager had concluded to give his company a dinner on the stage after the performance. In the course of the play the dog was brought out and tied to the well. Everything went all right until the dog sniffed the turkey and the other good things at the side of the stage, and without waiting for the finish of the act he made for the food, dragging the "heavy rock walled well" behind him.

This action on the part of the dog critic-actor disturbed things generally.



CHRISTMAS TREE FOR STAGE CHILDREN.

for the villain had just been arranging with one of his confederates to rid himself of the one usually added to his list after the villain's added. The villain, after the laughter subsided, arranged his part of the plot by canceling the order to have the hero tossed down the well and instead to have him tied to a railroad track. However, the audience refused to take the play seriously after the well-disputed scene.

There is probably more real Christmas sentiment in plays that have to carry children as a part of the production than in any of the others. With these shows, there is usually a Christmas tree between the matinee and the evening performance in which every one joins in and makes merry.

A hard lot is that of the actor who happens to be playing what is known as "the small time" around the holidays. "Small time" contracts call for three shows a day, and on Christmas day an extra one is usually added. A vaudeville actor on "big time" probably has more time to appreciate Christmas—if Christmas really can be appreciated away from home—than any other because he is usually in the theater but an hour in the afternoon and an extra one in the evening, and the rest of the time is his own unless the house manager has promised to "ask" him to go over to some club to entertain the guests at their Christmas reception. Of course the actor doesn't have to do this, but if the manager is of any standing at all in the vaudeville world the actor usually finds it expedient to grant the request.

But the man probably who spends the loneliest Christmas of them all is the poor advance agent—recognized on the program as business manager, advance representative or manager in advance. Unless the advance agent is close to his home town, he usually gets "jump" for Christmas he usually gets a genuine attack of the Simon pure blues. True, the advance man who has been on the road for any length of time can usually be depended upon to meet people he knows, but they are people who live in the town, and he usually finds himself dining alone when the time comes for him to eat his "Christmas dinner."

A Real Santa Claus. ANTA CLAUS, I have for you, By the mantle, stocking two, One for me and one to go To another boy I know.

There's a chimney in the town You have never traveled down, Should you chance to enter there You would find a room all bare. Not a stocking could you spy, Not a nut or a candy boy. And the shoes you'd find are such As no boy would care for much. In a basket you'd see Some one just about like me, Dreaming of the pretty toys Which you bring to other boys. And to him a Christmas seems Merry only in his dreams. All he dreams, then, Santa Claus, Stuff the stocking with, because When it's filled up to the brim I'll be Santa Claus to him! —Frank Dempster Sherman.

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Share Your Fortune

A MID all the happiness and joys of the merry Christmas season think of those less fortunate—of those on whom the sun of plenty has failed to shine during the past twelve months. Think of the heartaches that will be theirs on Christmas morning; think of the tear-stained eyes of the little children weeping because Santa Claus could not call at their homes. Half of your pleasure at Christmas will be derived from making others happy, from sharing your good fortune and sowing seeds of kindness wherever you happen to be on Christmas day. Give something, be it ever so trifling, to the little child to whom Christmas otherwise would mean nothing. You can keep tears of sorrow from those eyes and brighten the day a hundredfold for yourself. Try it.

Keep down the weeds.

Whitewash the cow stables.

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A little salt helps the poultry mash.

Overfeeding is a fruitful source of bowel trouble.

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March hatched chicks should be ready for the broiler market.

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Fewer turkeys are injured by underfeeding than by overfeeding.

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When cream stands too long it is apt to acquire a bitter or disagreeable flavor.

A swivel in the tethering rope will keep the rope from getting twisted and kinky.

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Breeding with intelligence will produce a less and less number of "cows that eat their heads off."

Green food of some kind is necessary to make the hens do their best in the line of egg production.

Stir the cream twice a day, using a long-handled spoon which will reach to the bottom of the cream jar.

Some day we are going to find that as good a way as any to use the surplus sour milk is to give it to the hens.

Have your fowls so tame that you can go among them without causing fright. You will get better egg production.

If there is no silo on your farm, do not let another winter catch you unprepared. Make your plans right now for one.

The pure-bred sire and a dam of the same type as of good blood as it is possible to get will usually bring

a desirable cow.

The idea that alfalfa hay is not suitable for driving horses is proven erroneous by thousands of farmers, and many use no other.

Don't compel the women folks to open and close two or three big gates through the cattle yards every time they go out to look up eggs.

When hens lay soft-shelled eggs, it is often a sign they are too fat. Cut down the amount of grain and feed more vegetables and green food.

In pruning the apple trees, plan to form shape heads that will permit the sunlight to get into the center of the tree. It will give better fruit.

One of the remedies for pip used by Portuguese poultry raisers is raw onions cut up fine and forced down the throat, followed by a little water.

For late vegetables plant snap beans. They require a rich, moist soil, so that the growth will be rapid. As a rule, the dwarf bush types are best.

Dehorn the calves before they are two weeks old. Cut away the hair around the "button" and moisten. Then rub well with a stick of caustic potash.

Watch the heifers carefully about calving time. A little care at the proper time often will be the means of averting the loss of a fine calf, its mother, or both.

It requires feed to make a lamb of any kind, but a sheep or lamb will come the nearest to making something out of nothing of any kind of a domestic animal.

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The Giving of Gifts

If one is going to give a Christmas present it should be with a cheerful heart. If you can't give in this spirit do not give at all. We give presents to our friends at Christmas because they are our friends and because we derive pleasure from such giving. In the giving of Christmas presents there should be none of that spirit which suggests commercialism. There should never be any expectation of reciprocity. The giving of a Christmas present should be from the heart. The present itself counts for little. The spirit and motive which prompt the giving are all important.

Church Bells Call You

How many of us attend church on Christmas day? And why not? Of all the days in all the year Christmas is the most appropriate for one to go to church and unite with his neighbors and friends in giving thanks and praise unto Him who died that you and I should live. Christmas is His birthday, and above all things one should hear a short sermon and offer a prayer of thanks for the fortunes that the past has showered on him and ask forgiveness of all sins. One should go to church feeling that it is a pleasure and a privilege and not consider it a duty. It will furnish inspiration that will make one capable of better enjoying the day and at nightfall be a great deal happier.