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ANNIE AND WILLIE'S PRAYER.

'Twas the eve before Christmas; "Good
night" had been said,
And Annie and Willie had crept into bed;
There were tears on their pillows and
tears in their eyes,
And each little bosom was heavy with
sighs,
For to-night their stern father's com-
mand had been given
That they must retire precisely at seven
Instead of eight; for they troubled him
more
With questions unheard of than ever
before.
He told them he thought this delusion a
silly
No such thing as "Santa Claus" ever
had been.
And he hoped, after this, he should never
more hear
How he scrambled down chimneys with
presents each year,
And this is the reason why two little
heads
So restlessly tossed on their soft, downy
beds

Eight, nine, and the clock on the steeple
told that ten
Not a word had been spoken by either
till then;
When Willie's sad face from the blanket
died,
And he whispered, "Dear Annie, is you
fast asleep?"
"Why, no; brother Willie," a sweet voice
replied,
"I've tried in vain, but I can't shut my
eyes;
For somehow it makes me so sorry be-
cause
Dear papa had said there is no Santa
Claus;
Now we know there is, and it can't be
denied,
For he came every year before mamma
died;
But then I've been thinking that she
used to pray,
And God would hear everything mamma
would say,
And perhaps she asked him to send Santa
Claus here
With the sacks full of presents he
brought every year."

"Well, why tan't we pray as mamma
did then,
And ask Him to send him with presents
to us?"
"I've been thinking so, too," and with-
out a word more
Four bare little feet bounded out on the
floor,
And four little knees the soft carpet
And two tiny hands were clasped close
to each breast.

"Now, Willie, you know we must firmly
believe
That the presents we ask for we're sure
to receive.
You must wait just as still till I say
amen.
And by that you will know that your
turn has come then—
Dear Jesus, look down on my brother
and me,
And grant us the favor we're asking of
Thee;

I want a nice book full of pictures, a
ring,
A writing desk, too, that shuts with a
spring,
Bless papa, dear Jesus, and cause him
to see
That Santa Claus loves us as much even
as he;
Don't let him get fretful and angry
again
At dear Willie and Annie amen!"
"Plead, Deasus, 'et Santa Taus come down
to-night,
And bring us some presents before it is
repent!"
I want he should give me a bright little
box,
Full of ac'obats, some other nice blocks,
And a bag full of tandy, a book and
a toy
Amen, and then, Deasus, I'll be a doob
boy!"
Their prayers being ended, they raised up
their heads,
And with hearts light and cheerful
again sought their beds;
They were soon lost in slumber—both
peaceful and deep,
And with fairies in dreamland were
roaming in sleep.

Eight, nine and the little French clock
told that ten,
Ere the father had thought of his child-
ren again;
He seems now to hear Annie's half
smothered sighs,
And to see the big tears standing in Wil-
lie's blue eyes,
"I was harsh with my darlings," he men-
tally said,
"And should not have sent them so early
to bed;
But when I was troubled—my feelings
found vent,
For bank stock to-day has gone down ten
per cent.
But of course they'd forget their troubles
ere this,
But then I denied them the thrice asked
for things;
But just make sure I'll steal up to the
door,
For I never spoke harsh to my darlings
before."

So saying he softly ascended the stairs,
And arriving at their door heard both of
their prayers.
His Annie's "bless papa" draws forth
the big tears
And Willie's grave promise falls sweet
on his ear.
"Strange, strange, I've forgotten," said
he with a sigh,
"How I longed when a child to have
Christmas draw nigh,
I'll atone for my harshness," he in-
wardly said,
"By answering their prayer, era I sleep
in my bed."

Then he turned to the stairs and softly
went down,
Threw off velvet slippers and silk dress-
ing gown,
Donned hat and boots, and was out
in the street—
A millionaire facing the cold winter
sleet;
He first went to a wonderful "Santa
Claus" store
He knew it, for he'd passed it the day
before,
And there he found crowds on the same
errand as he,
Making purchase of presents, with glad
heart and free,
Nor stopped he until he had bought
everything,
For a box full of candy to a tiny gold
ring,
Indeed, he kept adding so much to his
store

That the various presents outnumbered a
score!
Then homeward he turned with his holi-
day load,
And with Aunt Mary's aid in the nursery
'twas stowed.
Miss Dolly was seated beneath a pine
tree,
By the side of a table spread out for a
feast;
A writing desk in the centre was laid,
And on it a ring for which Annie had
prayed;
Four acrobats painted in yellow and red
stood with a block house on a beautiful
sled;
There were balls, dogs and horses, books
pleasing to see,
And birds of all colors were perched in
the tree;
While Santa Claus, laughing, stood up
in the top,
As if getting ready for more presents to
drop;
And as the fond father the picture sur-
veyed,
He thought for his trouble he had amply
been paid;
And he said to himself as he brushed off
a tear,
"I'm happier to-night than I have been
for a year,
I've enjoyed more true pleasure than
ever before,
What care I if bank stock falls ten per
cent. more?
Hereafter I'll make it a rule, I believe,
To have Santa Claus visit us each Christ-
mas Eve."

So thinking he gently extinguished the
light,
And tripped downstairs to retire for the
night,
As soon as the beams of the bright morn-
ing
Put the darkness to flight and the stars
one by one,
Four little blue eyes out of sleep opened
wide,
And at the same moment the presents
espied,
Then out of their beds they sprang with
a bound.
The very gifts prayed for were all of
them found;
They laughed and they cried in their
innocent glee,
And shouted for papa to come quick and
see
What presents Santa Claus had brought
in the night
(Just the things they had wanted) and
left before light.

"And now," said Annie, in a voice soft
and low,
"You'll believe there's a Santa Claus,
papa, I know";
While dear little Willie climbed up on
his knee,
Determined no secret between them
should be,
And told in soft whispers, how Annie
had said,
That their dear, blessed mamma, so long
ago dead;
Used to kneel down and pray by the side
of her chair,
And that God, up in heaven; had
answered her prayer!
"Then we dot up and prayed dust as
well as we could,
And God answered our prayers; now
wasn't He doob?"
"I should say that He was if He sent you
all these,
And knew just what presents my child-
ren would please
(Well, well, let him think so, the dear
little child;
'Twould be cruel to tell him I did it my-
self.)"

Blind father! who caused your stern
heart to relent?
And the hasty word spoken so soon to
repent!
'Twas the Being who bade you steal
softly up stairs,
And made you His agent to answer their
prayers.

Both Partners Had Faults to Burn
or to Rub In.
"John," said Mrs. Wisely to
her beige lord, the other evening,
"I want to have a very frank talk
with you. Do you realize that
the boys are old enough now to
observe and are beginning to form
their characters?"
"Of course I do Great boys."
"Yes, and we want them to be
great men. They naturally look
up to you John, more than to any-
body else. For their sakes you
must be careful in what you say
and do. You fell over a chair the
other day and used some very im-
proper language. I heard Willie
repeat it when he stabbed his toe
in the back yard."

"The little rascal! He didn't!"
chuckled the father.
"Yes, John, and they pretend
to smoke cigars and pour drinks
from an imaginary decanter.
Can't you set them a better exam-
ple?"
"Say little one, I heard Amy
playing keep house one afternoon
lately. When callers were an-
nounced she sent out word that
she was not at home. When she
did consent to receive anyone she
combed them down to beat the
band before they were admitted.
One was an old trump, another
was an intolerable bore, and a third
had a great deal better be at home
cleaning the house or looking after
her children. You couldn't have
done it better yourself."

"I see what you mean, sir. No
use of rubbing it in. But wait,
dear," in a softer voice. "Let's
both do better. It's for their
sakes you know."—Detroit Free
Press.

The camel curve is the name
given to the new bodices.
Yellow and violet are the lead-
ing shades in stationery.
A gold chatelaine studded with
amethysts is an up to date affair.

Very beautiful full-dress toilets
are of black chantilly net, with
jet or steel motifs and bright satin
accessories, made over a founda-
tion of pure white glass silk.

A hat of embroidered felt is one
of the choicest samples of the mil-
linery art. The needlework is
most elaborate and beautiful.
The trimming is of velvet ribbon
loops, velvet roses and ostrich tips.

There is a certain charm and
elegance about the color black
which gives it a firm hold upon
the affections. Other colors are all
the go to-day and tabooed to-mor-
row, but black remains always in
fashion.

Black satin, silk and velvet are
as popular at the present moment
as when they were luxuries worn
only by royalty and nobility.
Among the new designs this fall
are many fashionable waists of
black satin or silk.

The Russian blouse of plain or
fancy velvet worn with a belt of
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less local treatment of other diseases.

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me some milk." Waiter—"Con-
densed?" Customer—"No; the
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that whiskey was good for the
voice, but it certainly does
strengthen the breath.
Hobson—"He's so eccentric I
don't like to walk by him on the
street." Jobson—"Why?" Hob-
son—"Afraid of being arrested
for passing the queer."

"When a woman finds an old
father," says the Manayunk
Philosopher, "her economic soul
promptly her to buy \$10 worth of
other trimmings to build a hat
around it."

Neil—"Miss Kostique recom-
mended Mr. Strait as a good por-
trait painter for me." Belle—
"The spiteful thing!" "Why
isn't he really good?" "O; yes;
but he's a strict follower of real-
ism."

"They say," remarked the ex-
tremely strong one, "that he just
married you for spite." "Well,"
replied the thin one, "if he had
married you for that he would
have gotten about 200 pounds of
it."

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RY,** will give you a welcome and
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age, and asking a continuance of
same, We are
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geology are man's; so religion is
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From the Lone Star State comes the
following letter, written by W. F. Goss,
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and Diarrhoea Remedy in my family for
the past year, and find it the best remedy
for cholera and diarrhoea that I have ever
tried. Its effects are instantaneous and
satisfactory, and I cheerfully recom-
mend it, especially for crampy colic and
diarrhoea. Indeed, we shall try and
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would know Christ. Knowledge
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of Philadelphia, Tenn., has been using
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for her
baby, who is subject to croup, and says
of it: "I find it just as good as you claim
it to be. Since I've had your Cough
Remedy, my baby has been threatened with
croup ever so many times, but I would
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**SEABOARD
AIR LINE**
**VESTIBULE
LIMITED
TRAINS**
Double Daily Service

SOUTHBOUND. 4:08 4:1
New York via Penn R R 11:00 am 7:00 pm
Philadelphia 1:12 pm 12:00 am
Baltimore 3:15 3:50
Washington 4:40 4:50
Richmond 5:55 6:05

Norfolk via S. A. L. 8:25 pm 8:55 am
Portsmouth 8:45 9:20
Weldon 11:20 pm 11:55 am
Henderson 12:55 am 1:30 pm
Durham 7:25 7:45
Lynchburg 9:20 pm 11:10 am
A. L. Louisville 11:00 pm 1:00 pm

Raleigh 7:16 am 8:54 pm
Salem 8:35 8:55
Roanoke 9:25 9:55
Spartanburg 10:45 11:05
Fayetteville 11:15 11:35
Greensboro 11:45 12:05
Winston 12:15 12:35
Charlotte 12:45 1:05

NORTH BOUND. 4:02 4:1
Atlanta via S. A. L. C. time 12:00 am 7:50 pm
Weldon 2:45 pm 10:45 am
Athens 3:15 11:20
Kinston 4:15 12:35
Greensboro 5:15 1:40
Charlotte 6:41 2:05
Columbia, C. N. A. L. R. 7:00

Cherter, S. A. L. 8:18 6:33
Charlotte 10:25 8:30
Hamlet 9:40 6:05
Hamlet 11:28 9:15
Washington 12:50 am 12:30 pm
Spartanburg 12:14 8:20 am
Raleigh 7:25 7:00

Durham 7:25 7:00
Lynchburg 9:20 pm 11:10 am
A. L. Louisville 11:00 pm 1:00 pm
Weldon 11:20 pm 11:55 am
Richmond 5:55 6:05
Washington via Penn R R 12:00 pm 11:10
Philadelphia 3:50 12:45 am
New York 6:25 6:15

Portsmouth, S. A. L. 7:50 am 5:50 pm
Norfolk 7:50 6:05

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