LOUISBURG, N. C., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1903.

AND ON THE HEARTH THE FIRE BURNS CLEAR.

AND SNOW CLOUDS GATHER FAR AND NEAR

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WITH A REINDEER TEAM FOR MANY A MILE W

AND DOOKS AND DRUTS AND SUGAR PLUMS

CAND TOPS AND MOPS AND CORN THAT POPS

AND BUILDING BLOCKS IN WOODEN BOXS

PENKNIVES WHICH CUT AND GOATS THAT BUT L.

DASEBALLS AND BATS AND CANDY CATS

AND RATS THAT WIND AND RUN ADOUT

AND THEN DEFORE HE RUNS AWAY,

Every A VERY MONTEN

MERRY

HE LEAVES A GARD WHICH IS TO SAY

AND PUMPS WHICH PUMP A WATER-SPOOT,

FOR LITTLE GIRLS,

BRINGS TREE AND TOYS

FOR LITTLE BOYS, AND BOLLS WITH CURLS?

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Silver Creek The Ensign TARCHERITA ADEINA HAMP

Golden Gulch

By A. B. LEWIS

that the other did not go it one better.

when Golden Gulch was

working overtime to build

And in all other matters

there was rivalry. Even

when four dwellings

burned in Silver Creek

sacrificed five of its build-

ings, just to keep ahead

It had been about, an

even thing between the

two towns when one day

Bill Stevens caused con-

sternation in Golden Gulch

by bringing in the news

preparin' fur the whop-

pinest C'ris'mus celebra-

shun ever known in the

state." When asked for

further particulars he

"Boys, I've just come

town, and, though they're "Who'll be.

"Thet's what they've got, boys," con-

tinued Bill, "and they're savin' him

fur the occashun. He's to be lynched

in the public squar' on C'ris'mus after-

noon, and when it becomes known thet

Silver Creek kin celerbrate her holi-

days in sich a befittin' manner it 'll

"Boys, we've gotter hev two lynchin's

or admit we're back numbers. While

we ain't got no hoss thieves, thar's

plenty of loyal citizens in

Silver Creek, and I'm bet-

tin' terbacker ag'in gold

dust thet two of 'em will

step forward and let us

lynch 'em on C'ris'mus.

and save the town's reper-

tashun. I'll promise 'em

thet it will be done in a

genteel manner and thet

a ten foot monument will

be put over their graves

to boot. Now, boys, who'll

A deep sllence fellowed

Bill's query. Two min-

utes after he had asked

the question ten men had

left the crowd. Three

minutes later a dozen

more had disappeared, and

five minutes later Bill

As he watched the last

was quite alone.

And there were so many others in

the town who suddenly came to this

conclusion, especially after the lynch-

ing on Christmas, that there was an

exodus from Golden Gulch to Silver

Creek, and the two towns merged and

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freak have you for the holidays?

mas presents than he can afford.

Museum Patron-Well, what new

Manager-The rarest thing on earth-

the man who doesn't buy more Christ-

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of merit appeal to you?

became one and indivisible.

be fust in this matter?"

boom her like thunder and 'll be all

keepin' it mighty quiet, I fust?"

from thet dawggoned

the crowd.

that Silver Creek "was

one night Golden Gulch

a better one.

in such matters.

By SEATON LORD

Poodle Dog

W OW Silver Creek and Golden [Copyright, 1903, by Hamilton Musk.] Gulch became one was brought NSIGN MARK ATHERTON'S about in this manner: For ship arrived at the United States navy yard on Dec. 21. many years keen rivalry had existed between the two towns, which There he learned that the gun-boat Concas, on which was his Nawere only a stone's throw from each other. Both claimed to be head and val academy chum, Tom Dresser, was shoulders above the other in enterprise expected to arrive the next day. Atherand progressiveness, and one never ton procured leave to visit his bome, made a move in public improvement but left a note for Dresser asking him to follow and spend Christmas with When Golden Guich built a town hall him. The day after Atherton reached two stories high, Silver Creek built one | home he went over to Q. to see his

of three stories. When Silver Creek aunt, who, next to his mother, was the erected a new jail, its citizens had nearest person to him on earth. While hardly begun to crow over the matter at Q, he received a forwarded to from Dresser that he had arrived, was very ill and asked that his friend would come to him at once. Atherton examined the time tables to find that if he went back home be would lose twenty-four bours. By going over to N., five miles distant, he

could get a train to the city in a couple of hours. Since he had ample time he decided to walk. When he reached N. he went into the station ticket office and, looking in his pockets for funds, found that he had left his pocketbook at home. In his vest pocket was 26 cents.

Here was "a pickle"-ne funds, friend possibly dying, train to leave in ten minutes.

"What's the time of the next train?" he asked the ticket agent. "In an hour and twenty minutes." Atherton went out on the platform to think it over. A card tacked to the

wall stared him in the face. It was an advertisement for a lost poodle, with a promised reward of \$10 if returned to the owner at got on to their little surprise party. 12 Adams avenue. There Them coyotes are goin' to flop us if was a small park near the they kin by hevin' a lynchin' on C'ris'- station, bleak looking at that season, but Atherton thought he would go over and sit down on a bench to concoct some scheme to raise railroad fare. While ruminating he felt something rub his leg and, looking down, saw a poodle. Unfortunately there was no mark on the collar by which he could identify it. but it struck him at once that the dog was too valuable to be running loose and he believed it was the

one advertised.

Then and there Ensign Looking Atherton conceived a great down, plan. He would return the poodle, get the reward and e off on the next frain. Picking up the dog, he inquired the way to 12 Adams avenue, found the house, rang the bell and asked if the dog belonged there. The servant recognized it at once and showed the young man into

the drawing room. Atherton was in citizen's dress and had not had time since reaching port to get_a new outfit he had ordered. Consequently his clothes were somewhat worn and out of style. He decided to play the commoner, thus making it easier for him to accept the reward. When a girl of nineteen of distinguished appearance came into the room he shuddered and hoped sincerely that he would be able to carry out his role. The moment she saw the poodle she took it up and embraced it

of the crowd dodging around a corner there "Where did you find it?" were tears in his eyes as "In the park near the he exclaimed to himself: railroad station." "And most of 'em hev sich bewtiful "I'm very much obliged." necks fur hangin too! Waal, we're a She looked Atherton over licked crowd, but I allus did sorter o' from head to foot, evidentreckon thet Silver Creek was a heap ly not knowing whether to sight better town to five in than Golden offer to pay him a reward. Gulch, and I'm goin' to make my home Atherton was up to the oc-

> casion. "It's lucky for me, miss," he stammered. "I'm a sailor lad and goin' back to me ship. I've been robbed by land sharks and haven't money enough to buy me ticket." "Oh!" said the girl, as-

torished at his humble position. "Wait a minute. I'll go for the money." She left the room to return with a ten dollar bill, which she handed him. "I hope you'll reach your She handed ship safely," she said as he him a ten went out, "and have s

dollar bill. pleasant voyage. I have a cousin a sailor. He's in the navy." "Yes," miss. Goodby," replied the sailor boy, and he hurried away fearing that some naval officer might run across the story and ruin him in the Atherton found Dresser much better than he expected. Dresser had en-

gaged to spend Christmas with an uncle living a few hours' ride from the city, and as the chums were anxious to pass the bolidays together they played game of euchre to decide whether Dresser should go with Atherton or Athertoa with Dresser. Dresser won, which was well, for he was scarcely in condition to visit strangers. Atherton nformed his mother by mail of the change and received her consent.

Soon after the meeting of the chums Atherton told Dresser of his adventure. and upon consultation it was decided that Atherton should return the reward as an anonymous Christmas present. Atherton spent \$20 for a gold bracelet and shipped it to the owner of the poodle. He did not know, her name, so he addressed it to Miss —, 12 Adams avenue, N., N. Y. As soon as this was

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CHRISTMAS DAY attended to be took the invalid to the tenterbooks by a recital of the episade

"For what place shall I buy the tickets?" asked Atherton. "N.? No. You said be fived at B.

"So be does. B. is the next station above. We always get off at N." "Why, I ceturned the poodle at N." "That's singular." "I should think so." Atherton bought the tickets and they

were soon bowling over the road. On "Where do we drive to?" asked Atb-"Twelve Adams avenue.

"By the great horn spoon?" fairly shricked Atherton. "I drive to no such

reward." back on the cushion. "By thunder, you've received \$10 reward money from my Cousin Adele Floyd, and I'm going

to take you there as a guest. If such a problem had baffled the assurances of two ensigns in the United States navy they would not have been decided to meet the enemy at once and pushed on to 12 Adams avenue. There they found Miss Floyd puzzled over a gold bracelet she had just received by express. On seeing her cousin she forgot, everything else than him till she caught sight of his chum; then she stood stock still and stared. He was handsomely dressed, but not sufficiently changed to prevent recognition.

"It seems that we have met before." she said, changing her manner. "Indeed?" said Atherton, with feigned surprise. "Oh, yes! You. are the girl I danced with at the ship's ball when we were at Nice."

"Not at all. You were here s few days ago. You returned my dog and rereived the reward." "You must be mistaken. Del," put in Dresser. "An ensign in the United States reward for such a serv

which Miss Floyd stared from one to the other. Both saw that she was not quite: certain of Atherton's ideatity and brazened out their "Come," continued Dres-

ser, "you're not compilmenting an officer in the navy by taking him for They some impostor who probably stole your dog and brought him back for the reward. Give If up or you'll spoil Christmas for all of

"Weil," arid the gtrl. "I suppose I'm mistaken, though you look enough allke to be twins. But who sent this brace-"Oh, conscience did that?" said Dres-

ser. The fellow probably thought what a muffin he'd made of himself and apent the money is a bangle."

At the Christman dinner which followed Miss Floyd-put the chuiss on

her lost poodle, though her toosts delicary prevented her making any received the reward. This

"I am convinced that the fellow stole the dog to get the reward. Then his conprivoce troubled blus, and be bought a cheap, plated. bracelet, probably costing a few dollars, and sent During these remarks the

actors to the episode set with rigid faces, very like the figurehead to a ship. neither ducing to glance at the other for fear of giving away the truth by an It was not till Flord entered the navy

ton-then Lieutenaut Ath- "! erton-that she learned she and then charged him with sending her a cheep, plated bracelet in lies of ours-

MR. PENNY'S YELLOW DOG.

Erastus Pency, who accumulated a modest fortune years ago to the fown ing on improved real relate, was not renowned for his generality as a given. gages, Death, foreclosed upon him he was the owner of a pellow bug

This dog had been a tramp, but one day while paying an informal call at the farm-it had evidently discurved in Mr. Penny some agreeable qualities neighbors and promptly adopted him. The process of getting memoriolog for nothing, even in the cow of a yellow | reliaspeats preduced the indog, invariably appealed with power in Farmer Pruny, and he granuously permitted bimself to be adopted.

In a few months the petiow dog was the talk of the neighborhood. He worried dorks, killed chirkens, etampeded calves and even throttied sheeps 'On Christmas morning as the Rev.

Abijah Jones, who lived half a mile away, was showling a path through the anow between the personage and the road Farmer Penny drove up with the yellow dog tied to his longgr "Merry Christmas, Diction Jones" the crief observity a few monnegita later

as he led the dog into the yard. "The same to you, Brother Penny," was the bearty reply.

"Wast parson," continued Farmer Penny, "this bein" Christman, I thought Pd remember ya. Knowin' ya was powerful food of ationals. Fee brought Le a quit. "Thank you, sir: thank you," cried

the astonished and dispuryed untainer, who know the yellow dig by repolemy mind more foreight than ever before the truth of the Biblical suppling that it is more blessed to give thus EABLE HOOF ER EATOR.

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in the flery killshep, lost he all dismonfart so the frast was done on Euro and exten piping but, Oranites said. "Twent he as Cristman theat the was a cusping furnism to the disting PRODE, Where the everyways order was packed to to dispuse of but brack soup. but turkey, but baked putarum, but had mine, but eggply sersors, but pittus profit details of his hole, weniteding as used

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