

BEAR, WITH LOTS OF HAIR, DROPPED INTO THE ARCTIC OCEAN. HE USED HIS TAIL, FOR A LITTLE SAIL. WASN'T THAT A FUNNY NOTION?



SLIM JIM AND THE FORCE



BEIN' SO COLD TO-DAY, MAKES ME THINK OF AN ADVENTURE I HAD IN TH' ARCTIC REGIONS ONE TIME.

OH-GEE! TELL US ABOUT IT SLIM!



WELL S'R, ONE TIME I WENT AWAY UP IN TH' ARCTIC TO LOOK FOR TH' NORTH POLE. TH' FIRST LIVING THING I SAW WAS A POLAR BEAR. WHEN I TOLD HIM WHAT I WAS LOOKING FOR, HE ASKED ME WHAT I WAS GOING TO DO WITH IT WHEN I FOUND IT.



AFTER I'D TOLD HIM A FUNNY STORY THAT MADE HIM LAUGH TILL HE ALMOST HAD A FIT, I STARTED OFF WITH MY TRUSTY DOG TEAM. HI-YAH!



I MET 'OLD SANTI! HE JUST CAME BACK FROM VISITING THE GOOD LITTLE BOYS AND GIRLS IN THE U.S.A.

TOY-LAND

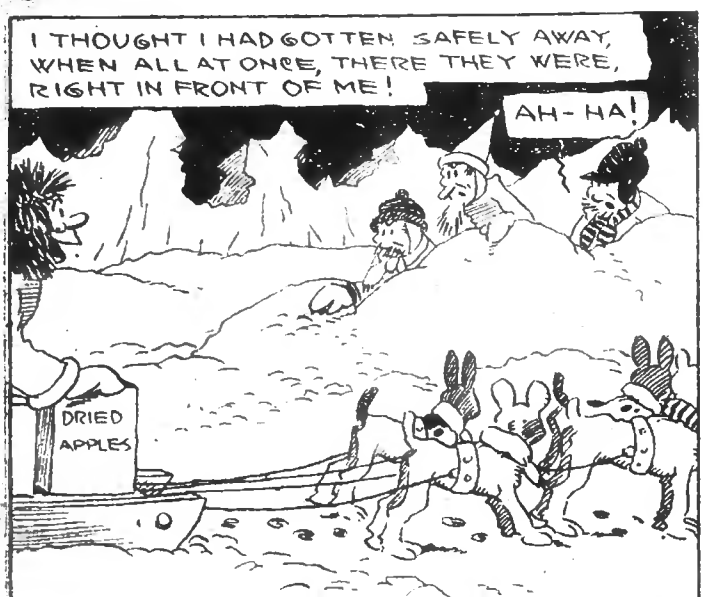


HE TOLD ME SOME BAD NEWS. HE SAID TH' FORCE WERE UP THERE LOOKING FOR ME, THEN HE SHOWED ME TH' DIRECTION IN WHICH THEY HAD GONE.



SO I BID OLD SANTI GOOD-BYE AND STARTED OFF IN TH' OPPOSITE DIRECTION AS FAST AS I COULD GO.

GI-BYE SLIM!



I THOUGHT I HAD GOTTEN SAFELY AWAY, WHEN ALL AT ONCE, THERE THEY WERE, RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME!

AH-HA!



I SENT DE DOGS IN ONE DIRECTION, AND I WENT IN ANOTHER. I KNEW DE FORCE WOULD FOLLOW ME, AND IN THAT WAY I'D SAVE MY OUTFIT.



DE FORCE WAS GAININ' ON ME, WHEN I CAME TO TH' SIDE OF A STEEP ICEBERG, DIS LOOKED GOOD TO ME, SO DOWN I WENT.



AND THEN I FOUND MYSELF IN A BIG ICE-CAVERN. THE ONLY WAY OUT WAS TO SLIP DOWN A BIG ICEICLE, WHICH I DID.



I SLID OFF TH' END OF TH' ICEICLE AND DROPPED ABOUT TWENTY FEET INTO TH' SOFT SNOW, AND RIGHT THERE, CLOSE BY, WAS TH' DOG TEAM AND SLED, JUST AS THOUGH THEY'D BEEN EXPECTING ME TO LAND THERE.



HIT IT FOR HOME KIDS! HERE COME DE OL' BEEZERS! NEXT TIME I'LL TELL YOU NOW I FOUND TH' NORTH POLE.

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OH, MRS. JONES, WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED?

I HAD AN ACCIDENT

OH MY! HOW?

I FELL DOWN STAIRS.

MY GOONNESS! WHEN?

LAST TUESDAY.

WASN'T THAT TERRIBLE TO FALL DOWN STAIRS?

I DIDN'T MIND THAT PART OF IT.

I WAS GOING TO GO DOWN ANYWAY.