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Let this day see all wrongs forgiven, Let peace all crowned in every heart, Let bitter words be left unsaid, Let us know naught of each or guile, A day is such a little while!

SALLY JACKSON'S GRIT.

A CHRISTMAS STORY.

DON'T like the looks of the sky in which, however, a trace of anxiety observed old Corn Jackson to his wife as he stood in the back door...

"Oh, stop your nonsense, Caleb," returned his wife, with some asperity, in which, however, a trace of anxiety was discernible.

But Joe Chalmers, a sturdy young settler living at the farther end of the county, was generally understood to be the most favored of Sally's admirers.

There was to be a real old fashioned New England dinner at Corn Jackson's homestead Christmas day, and as Joe's claim lay thirty miles away...

It was customary for the children to eat their dinners at school, which ordinarily was not dismissed until three o'clock, but on this day the exercises were to occupy the forenoon only, permitting the pupils to return home in time for dinner.

to reach the schoolhouse in time to take Sally home in his sleigh, a heavy snowfall the day previous having spread a thick white mantle over the frozen ground.

Sally usually rode to school on a little white pony, but that morning a neighbor had driven over in his bobbed with one of her pupils, promising to call at the school for them on his return from town.

The schoolhouse was in the center of a district that was not very thickly settled. The people were few in number and the nearest farmhouse was two miles away.

The exercises were partially over in the little schoolroom when the teacher became aware of an atmospheric change that caused her heart to beat like a tripphammer.

At that moment Sally heard the whinny of a horse and the next instant came a voice from the storm calling in unmistakable accents, "Sally! Sally! let me in, let me in!"

"My darling, my darling," was his response as he drew her to his breast and kissed her forehead, "then you do love me!"

Fortunately for the schoolroom the room was dark, or the children, some of whom had awakened, might have told a queer story about Miss Sally being hugged by a big man in a buffalo overcoat wearing goggles.

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Four, five o'clock came and passed without any cessation to the raging blizzard. To entertain her charges Sally had recounted every story she knew and had invented all sorts of games for their amusement.

without suffering any compunctions on teacher's account. It made a sorry meal for ten or twelve hungry boys and girls, but it was better than nothing.

Some of the older boys at first insisted upon starting home, but after witnessing the pale that dashed past the door when it blew open, they were glad to join the circle with the rest around the stove, near which all huddled for warmth.

Did she like him? Yes; she felt sure of that. Better than anybody else? Than Jim Carleton, for instance, or Dick Staples? Yes, better than either of those two. Did he love her? She knew he did. Did he love her? She closed her eyes, let her lips rest upon the curly locks of the sleeping child on her lap, while a blushing smile stole across her face.

"I'm so glad you came, I knew you would." "My darling, my darling," was his response as he drew her to his breast and kissed her forehead.

The first transports over, Joe told his story. The blizzard had caught him just as he reached the nearest farmhouse, two miles from the school.

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oil in the lamps gave out, plunging the room into utter darkness, save for a thin gleam of light that forced its way through a crack in the door of the stove. Prior to this misfortune Sally had made the children spread their outer wraps on the floor around the fire, on which she bade them lie down, then taking the youngest girl in her arms she sat in her swivel chair and in her sweet contralto voice soothed them with simple melodies until the tired, hungry young ones forgot their sorrows in sleep.

Brave little woman! A dozen lives depending on her fortitude and good sense, she had managed so far to preserve her charges from harm, but she dreaded the morning, when, awakened from their slumbers, their rebellious stomachs would crave nourishment. Her only hope lay in the storm abating, when help would surely arrive, for she realized how great must be the anxiety of the parents for the safety of their children.

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HAWAII IS DEFIANT. PROVISIONAL PARTY WILL RESIST RESTORATION.

Troops Fortifying the Government House at Honolulu and Making Barricades of Sand Bags - Big Mass Meeting Held - Significant Speeches Made by the Leaders.

The Australian steamer Arava, which was late Hawaii news, arrived at Victoria, British Columbia, immediately upon entering the straits she was boarded by a reporter, who was informed that Queen Liliuokalani had not been restored and that there had been no trouble in Honolulu.

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LATER NEWS.

NATHAN MATTHEWS (Democrat) was elected Mayor of Boston, Mass. His party is about 700.

ANIMAL MELLE seized the French vessel Parahy and Admiral de Gama formerly captured the vessel of the rebel ships in the Harbor, Brazil.

THE NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF CANVASSERS announced the vote for state officers. The Republicans will carry a majority of forty-one in the Constitutional Convention.

INCREASING rains have swollen the rivers and flooded all the valleys of Washington, endangering much live stock and farm property, and creating great apprehension.

THE JAPANESE Steamship Matsuyama was struck on the rocks while bound for Shimonoseki, Japan. Thirty passengers were drowned.

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OFFICIAL CROP REPORT.

The Average Plantation Price of Cotton and Cereals.

The statistical returns of the Department of Agriculture for the month of December are principally devoted to the indication of the average of the prices of the various crops during the past year.

The average price of wheat is 52 cents per bushel. The next lowest price in the twenty-three years from 1870 to 1893, inclusive, was 48 cents in 1874.

The average price of corn is 22 cents per bushel. The next lowest price in the twenty-three years from 1870 to 1893, inclusive, was 18 cents in 1874.

The average price of oats is 12 cents per bushel. The next lowest price in the twenty-three years from 1870 to 1893, inclusive, was 10 cents in 1874.

The average price of hay is \$1.18 per ton. The next lowest price in the twenty-three years from 1870 to 1893, inclusive, was \$1.00 in 1874.

The average price of sugar is 17.25 cents per cwt. The next lowest price in the twenty-three years from 1870 to 1893, inclusive, was 15 cents in 1874.

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