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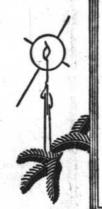
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"Yes, indeed!

"Virginia, your liftle friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a JL Santa Claus. skeptical age—they do not \$\frac{1}{27}\$ believe except what they seethey think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.

"All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little.

"In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with was able this existence. We should the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence



capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is-a

"He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerhave no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies!

"You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no ther children nor men can see.

"Did you ever see fairles



dancing on the lawn? Of course Do not, but that's no proof that they are not there-nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world.

> "You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond.

> "Is it all real?—ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding

"No Santa Claus! Thank God! -he lives, and he lives forever-Santa Claus—the most real things in the world are those neifrom now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."