

RINGGOLD SECTION

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The advertisers on this page extend to each of you their best wishes for a good Old Fashioned Christmas and a very Prosperous New Year.

Social And Personal Items Of Much Interest

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Harper were visitors in Shreveport last week.

Mrs. H. B. Scott and C. J. Frye spent Monday in Minden.

Mr. J. M. Hill made a business trip to Arcadia last Friday.

Mrs. C. E. Tomme was on the sick list last Monday.

Mrs. Joe Woodard was a guest in the home of her son, Ernest, last week.

Mrs. Webb and little daughter of Atlanta, Ga., are with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Woodard.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Frye accompanied by Mr. W. J. Trott, motored to Shreveport, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lexie Burkhalter accompanied by Mr. C. C. Allums, were visitors in Shreveport, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Keefer McKinney of Heflin, visited their aunt, Mrs. S. E. Frye, last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cook of Grand Bayou, were the guests or relatives and friends here last week.

Mrs. Lary Hunter of Minden accompanied her husband here on business Friday.

Mr. Cyril Leshes is at home, accompanied her husband here on business, near Memphis.

Miss Josie Harper who has been attending school at Centenary college, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jolly and Mrs. Luther Tipton were in Shreveport shopping, Tuesday.

Mrs. H. B. Scott of Georgetown, has been with relatives here several days, the past week.

Mrs. Ernest Woodard was in Shreveport several days last week taking treatment for an abscess in her head.

Mr. Dewitt Vandenburg was a welcome visitor in the home of his sister, Mrs. Geo. Thomas, several days last week.

The friends of Mrs. L. C. Graves will be glad to know that she is at home, after being in the sanitarium two weeks, from appendicitis. She is improving rapidly and is able to see her friends.

The parcel post sale given by the Baptist W. M. U. Saturday night was a success. There was a good crowd present. There were many packages to be sold. Many worth more than the price asked for them. A neat sum was realized, and every one seemed pleased with their purchases. After the sale there was music by the band, together with several readings and violin and piano selections, which were enjoyed by all present.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Methodist Church
Preaching every 1st and 3rd Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Rev. A. L. Harper, pastor.
Sunday school every Sunday at 10:00 a. m.
Junior League, 4:30 p. m.
Senior League, 6:30 p. m.

Baptist Church
Preaching every 2nd and 4th Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Rev. J. P. Durham, pastor.
Sunday school every Sunday at 10:00 a. m.
Junior B. Y. P. U. at 5:30 p. m.
Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.

Only One of the Kind.
The globe fish, an inhabitant of tropical waters, is said to be the only member of the funny tribe that swims on its back.

Hint to Housewives.
Preserves and canned goods should always be shielded from the light. An old window shade will answer. It should be hung exactly as it would be at the window, and when drawn will effectively darken the shelf.

The Snow Fairy

By Martha B. Thomas



I DON'T suppose two noses were ever pressed more forlornly against a window-glass than those belonging to Jerry and Sally. If you were to look at them from the outside, in their front yard, for instance, they would not seem like noses

at all; you would say that Jerry and Sally had small, white pearls on their faces, and pretty squashed pearls at that! This is what a window-glass does to two children who have the whooping cough and are standing as closely as possible against the nearest thing to getting out—a window.

Jerry dug his fists down into his pockets and looked as cross as a bear. Sally blinked very fast to keep the tears from rolling down her cheeks, and her two pigtails quivered unhappily.

"We'll miss the party and the games and the goodies . . . and everything!" she wailed.

"I don't care about the old party!" declared Jerry scornfully. "What I want is to get out and make a snowman. Look at all this perfectly good snow going to waste! I call it a shame!" And you would have thought by his tone that all blizzards were invented for the express purpose of giving little boys the opportunity of playing in it.

"Mary Randall's going to wear her new pink dress and her slippers!" sniffed Sally, "and I have a red dress and new slippers too-o-o!" This last thought was almost too much, and one large tear did manage to tumble over and down her cheek. Jerry pretended not to see it. Perhaps he was having trouble with his own eyes, though of course boys never cry, not even when tomorrow's Christmas and everything is spoiled because of whooping cough.

"Mother said we should have to have a party by ourselves and make believe that lots of people came to it," said Sally.

Jerry granted. He didn't care much for this make-believe stuff—too sissy, fled. "Let's sit down in front of the open fire," suggested Sally, "and tell stories. I'm tired of looking out of the window. Perhaps something nice will happen; who can tell?"

So the two children settled themselves in front of the fire. They drew up two low stools and they each sat with their elbows on their knees and their chins in their hands. It was very warm and cosy. The logs crackled and sputtered as though they were doing their best to cheer other people up, and the dancing flames had a regular parade up and down the wood. It was



"I Call it a Shame!"

late afternoon and growing a little dark.

Suddenly Sally's pigtails stuck out straight behind her in surprise.

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"What's that?" she whispered, and her eyes were big as saucers.

"Where?" asked Jerry, a little startled too.

"I saw something white flit in at the door."

"So did I!"

The children looked cautiously around. Nothing was to be seen.

Just an ordinary room, a bright fire and two children in front of it.

"Funny—" mused Sally.

There was the faintest rustle by the clock on the mantel. It sounded like snowflakes talking together.

"There! I heard something again!" said Sally.

Both children stared at the clock, for that was where the sound came from.

It was quite dark by this time, except for the light from the logs, so it was natural that Jerry and Sally did not at first see the little person perched on the edge of the mantel.

"How do you do?" asked a tiny voice. It tinkled like a fairy sleigh-bell.

"Merely!" exclaimed Sally.

Jerry just winked his eyes very fast.

"Here I am up by the clock," tinkled the voice again.

And sure enough, there she was indeed! The children saw her now. A wee, slender bit of a thing about the size of a sweet pea. And she was the whitest creature you could imagine. Snowflake ruffles with crystal trimming, letice jewels in her hair, and eyes bright and frosty as stars.

Jerry and Sally gasped. Sally wanted to jump up and hug her. But you can't do that with a Snow Fairy; she'd melt all to pieces in your fingers, and then where would you be?

"I have come to pay you a little call," laughed the fairy, "because I like to talk with children who are ill and can't go out. I just came from a house down the street where a baby is cutting a tooth. Such a cunning baby! I played hide and seek under its chin, and you should have heard him gurgle; he forgot all about that tooth that was making so much fuss about coming through. I left him kicking up his heels and crowing like a young rooster."

Sally and Jerry laughed.

"Shall I dance for you?" asked the Snow Fairy politely.

"Oh, yes!" beseeched the children.

Up jumped the white little person, and in the twinkling of an eye she had begun. The children never saw such

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dancing in their lives. Never!

The Snow Fairy pirouetted on top of the clock; she whirled like a crystal prism. She jumped down and made a low bow to a china shepherdess, and then the shepherdess threw away her crook and danced with the fairy. Away they went, whirling and bobbing and turning and dipping. They jumped over vases; they peeped out behind pictures, they fairly flew through the air until you could not tell which was the Snow Fairy and which the china shepherdess.

Jerry and Sally clapped their hands and laughed until they could laugh no longer. They forgot all about parties and new slippers and making snowmen.

Then the strangest thing happened. They could not see the Snow Fairy at all. She wasn't there, and if you'll believe me, the china shepherdess was standing stiffly in her old spot as though she'd never had a thought of moving in her life.

"Dear me!" said Sally rubbing her eyes.

"Dear me!" said Jerry, rubbing his. Mother came in soon after that. She stood smiling down upon them.

"Both your children were sound asleep on your stools when I was in here before. Do come and have something good to eat. I have a little party all ready for you."

And Sally and Jerry never said a word about the Snow Fairy. But they were as cheerful as cherubs the rest of the day.

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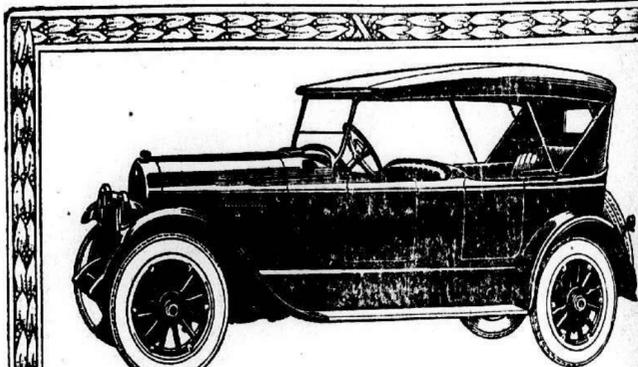
December 23, 1922.

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