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SANTA CLAUS.

Many a baby stocking will hang by the fireside Monday night, and many a bright eyed tot will experience unusual difficulty in falling asleep on account of the expected visit of Santa Claus. A merry, merry time it is for the little ones, and yet there are mothers and fathers who trouble their souls with the vexing question, "Is it right to carry on the Santa Claus deception?"

Can there be any wrong in making an innocent little child supremely happy on this the Christ-child's natal day? We would answer nay, not from our point of view.

The happiest deception in all the world is the time-honored deception of Santa's annual appearance, and to rob a child of this quaint, old fashioned belief is to modernize that child in a way not at all to his profit, much less to his pleasure.

In every nature there is a touch of romance and a liking for mystery and adventure, and at no period of ones existence are these traits keener than during childhood, when the nature is still unformed and the little brain is filled with all sorts of queer fancies. It is then that the old, old Christmas story is readily taken as fact, and the romance of the tale takes the place of less wholesome mental food and supplies all the missing links in the chain of Christmas surprises.

This happy time is only for a few years, for "Young America" is soon informed and the illusion once shattered is never replaced. Do the children call it falsehood on the parents' part? Not a bit of it. It is only a play, a "make-believe" that brings them happiness, and parents are loved the more by these same children when the latter are old enough to realize that Santa Claus was only another name for papa's and mamma's unselfish love and kindness.

Let the story of the Child in the Manger be repeated over and over again, and with it the happy one.

"Twas the night before Christmas

And all through the house

Not a creature was stirring Not even a mouse," etc.

But whatever is done, let the little ones have their happy innocent play time and their harmless belief in "Santa." The stern realities of life come soon enough.

Where Was Moses?

"Where was Moses when the lights went out?" was the question handed from one person to another in Corvallis, Tuesday evening, and the answer was, "In the dark, as we are."

The occasion of the comment was the disappearance in this city of all electric lights. The last of them blunked out about 4:30, and as darkness came on there was a rush in all directions for the old-fashioned tallow candle, coal oil lamps or anything that would furnish light. Big stores, lighted by a few tallow "dips" and with clerks and customers moving about in the dim, hazy interior of the buildings gave one a "spooky" sensation, as though old-time customs had come again and the dead-and-gone people of those times had returned with the customs.

But it was not a hallow'een prank nor a pleasant "ghost" party planned as a surprise by the Willamette Valley Electric com-

XMAS SUGGESTIONS

Gifts For Women

- Cloaks and Furs
Fine Shoes and Slippers
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Neck Ruffs

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House Coats
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Suit Cases
Neckwear
Mufflers
Fancy Suspenders
Dress Gloves
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Fancy Socks
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Lots of good things for Boys and Girls

All our Holiday Gifts are worth One Hundred Cents on the Dollar day after Christmas

J.M. Nolan & Son QUALITY STORE

pany, nor was the catastrophe welcomed as a joke by Corvallis business men. The Christmas trade is at its best now, and to have customers groping about in darkness trying to make purchases was not pleasing to anyone, yet the situation was met with better humor than are some of the more trifling annoyances of every day life, and when the lights came on at 6 o'clock there was general merriment and joking over the brief period of darkness.

The trouble was caused by the breaking of a water wheel on the

DOCTORS MISTAKES

Are said often to be buried six feet under ground. But many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous prostration, another with pain here and there, and in this way they present alike to themselves and their city-going or country doctor, separate diseases, for which he, assuming them to be such, prescribes his pills and potions. In reality, they are all only symptoms caused by some uterine disease. The physician, ignorant of the cause of suffering, keeps up his treatment until large bills are made. The suffering patient gets no better, in reason of the wrong treatment, but probably worse. A proper medicine like Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, directed to the correct point, have entirely removed the disease, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and instituting comfort instead of prolonged misery. It has been well said, that "a disease known is half cured."

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a scientific medicine, carefully devised by an experienced and skillful physician, and adapted to woman's delicate system. It is made of native American medicinal roots and is perfectly harmless in its effects in any condition of the female system. As a powerful invigorating tonic "Favorite Prescription" imparts strength to the whole system and to the organs distinctly feminine in particular. For overworked, "worn-out," run-down, debilitated teachers, milliners, dressmakers, seamstresses, "shop-girls," house-keepers, nursing mothers, and feeble women generally Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the greatest earthly boon, being unequalled as an appetizing cordial and restorative tonic.

As a soothing and strengthening nerve tonic "Favorite Prescription" is unequalled and is invaluable in allaying and subduing nervous excitability, irritability, nervous exhaustion, nervous prostration, neuralgia, hysteria, spasms, St. Vitus's dance, and other distressing, nervous symptoms commonly attendant upon functional and organic disease of the uterus. It induces refreshing sleep and relieves mental anxiety and despondency. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets invigorate the stomach, liver and bowels. One to three a dose. Easy to take as candy.

Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office, Portland, Oregon, Nov. 28th, 1906. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 9, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the public land states by act of August 4, 1892, Fred Fortmiller of Albany, County of Linn, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 7139 for the purchase of the sw 1/4 of section No. 26 in Township No. 10, south range No. 5, west and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before County Clerk of Benton County at his office at Corvallis, Oregon, on Saturday the 16th day of February 1907. He names as witnesses: ROBERT L. GLASS of Corvallis, Oregon; JOHN JOHNSON, of Wren, Oregon; M. J. CAMERON, of Albany, Oregon; WILLIAM IGO, of Wren, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 16th day of February 1907. ALGERNON DEBSON, Register.

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branch of the Santiam at Albany that furnishes power for operating the Willamette Valley Company's power plant there, and until this break was repaired there was a cessation of operations in Corvallis and Albany.

OAC School of Music.

The OAC School of Music has just issued a bulletin which contains much useful information concerning this department. A violin instructor for the year has not yet been announced, but the other departments are filled.

One of the promising features of the school of music is the college band, which has been so popular the past summer. This is under the instruction of Prof. Harry Beard and there are 26 pieces. The members are all college students. The band will be enlarged as the attendance at the college grows. It is hoped to have 40 pieces in the aggregation next year.

To become a member of the band a student must pass a satisfactory examination as to a knowledge of music and ability to perform on his instrument. The members are required to attend rehearsal every day, while a reasonable amount of individual practice is also expected.

STOMACH'S IMPORTANCE.

How to Strengthen It so That It Will Act as it Should.

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Nothing equals M-I-O-N-A stomach tablets in giving strength and tone to the whole digestive system. Use this remedy for a few days, and you will find the appetite keen, the digestion good, no nausea or distress after eating, no sleeplessness, no nervousness and the backaches and headache that are the direct results of a weakened stomach, will soon be overcome.

Ask Graham & Wells to show you the guarantee which they give with every 50 cent box of M-I-O-N-A. It is the one remedy they have enough faith in to guarantee.

That's It

Cough yourself into a fit of spasms and then wonder why you don't get well. If you will only try a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup your cough will be a thing of the past. It is a positive cure for Coughs, Influenza, Bronchitis and all Pulmonary diseases. One bottle will convince you—at your druggist, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by Graham & Wortham.

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A complete Hyomei outfit costs but \$1, extra bottles of Hyomei, if needed, 50 cents, and Graham & Wells give us personal guarantee with every package that money will be refunded unless the treatment cures.

Taken up by undersigned at my place 5 miles southwest of Philomath on the Wagoner place on October 29, '06 one Holstein cow brand O. on left hip blind in right eye. J. H. Owens, Corvallis Or. 971f

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In addition to a large and complete stock of Drugs and Medicines we have a fine assortment of holiday goods, such as Choice Perfumes, Toilet Articles, Fine Stationery, Books, Musical Instruments and Pyrograph Outfits.

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CORVALLIS, OREGON

Mail orders promptly filled.

What's

Worth doing is worth doing well. If you wish to be cured of Rheumatism use Ballard's Snow Liniment and you will be "well cured." A positive cure for Sprains, Neuralgia, Bruises, Contracted Muscles and all the ills that flesh is heir to. A. G. M. Williams, Navasota, Texas, writes: "I have used Snow Liniment for sprained ankle and it gave the best of satisfaction. I always keep it in the house." Sold by Graham & Wortham.

Children's

Favorite tonic is White's Cream Vermifuge, the cure for worms and all children's diseases. It not only kills the worms, but removes the slime and mucus in which they build their nests. Its action on the child is mild and leaves him in a healthy condition. Joe Daniel, Sumner, Tenn., says that he gave one of his children White's Cream Vermifuge when the doctor thought it had colic, and from the first dose the child passed 73 worms. Sold by Graham & Wortham.

Why Not Use Electric Lights?

Stop scratching matches on your wall. Those screechy match scratches look mighty bad on any wall. But as long as you continue to use gas or oil you've got to use matches.

The "matchless light" is the electric light,—a simple twist of the wrist does it. We are improving and perfecting our lighting service in this city and can give better service for less money than ever in the history of the city.

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Willamette Valley Co. G. A. Clark, Mgr. 74tf

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WILL SELL LOTS IN CORVALLIS, Oregon, on instalment plan and as to purchasers to build homes on them if desired. Address First National Bank, Corvallis, Or.

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S. R. BRYSON ATTORNEY AT LAW. Office in Post Office Building, Corvallis, Oregon.

WANTED

WANTED—A MAN, WITHOUT STOCK to rent a dwelling adjoining Corvallis who is a kind good workman with a team of horses. 81-tf

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF Corvallis, Oregon, transacts a general conservative banking business. Loans money on approved security. Drafts bought and sold and money transferred to the principal cities of the United States, Europe and foreign countries.

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Cleaning and Pressing Parlors. Three doors north of Hotel Corvallis. Give me a call. P. H. SWABB, Prop.

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