

## CHRISTMAS WEATHER

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Beneath the mistletoe she stood  
With eyes inviting what—a kiss?



But when I leaped to claim the prize  
She froze me with a glance like this!

How like the weather woman is!  
Yet I'm no woman hater,  
For, though 'twas freezing for a time,  
'Twas "fair and warmer" later!

### CHRISTMAS PIES.

A Novel Sport For a Children's Party  
In Holiday Time.

Have a large pan covered with brown tissue paper to look like pie crust. Inside the pie have these letters, to which are attached ribbons, the other end of which come through the pie crust. The letters, neatly cut out are: Six a's, two m's, three e's, four r's, three y's, one c, two h's, two s's, one l, two t's, one d, two p's, one w and one i.

The children sit around the pie, each holding one thread. They sing:

Sing a song of Christmas,  
A pie crust full of fun,  
Find the wish we wish you  
When the game is done.

Then they pull the letters out and pin them on their breasts. Then be-



THE CHRISTMAS PIE.

gins the fun of puzzling out how the children should stand in a line so that the letters will form a sentence.

When in proper position the letters will make—  
A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A  
HAPPY NEW YEAR.

### A Christmas Eve Sentence.

THERE were four little stockings of four little sizes. According to common report, That couldn't escape being (spite of stockings) Arrested and called into court.



"Now, what have you taken?" With brows that were knitted This question the magistrates put, And each little stocking quite boldly admitted, "Why, I ran away with a foot."



Then the voices of the court, shaking window and rafter, In accents quite fragrant rang, While the children in bed also shook, though with laughter, "I sentence each stocking to hang!" T. SAPP, JR.

## "Hark! Here Santa Comes!"



LOOKING FOR SANTA CLAUS.

## THE EXAMINER

WISHES

A Merry Christmas

TO ALL ITS READERS

EVERYWHERE!

## The Christmas Stocking

A Parody by FRANK J. BONNELLE



How dear to this heart is the stocking of childhood when fond recollection presents it to view! On Christmas St. Nick came from frost whitened wildwood with every loved toy which my infancy knew. The wide spreading chimney, the sled which stood by it, a horse and some books—I remember them all—a doll for my sister, and baby house nigh it, and then the full stocking which hung on the wall—the Santa Claus stocking, the bountiful stocking, the Christmas morn stocking which hung on the wall! The well stuffed envelope I hailed as a treasure as early that morning I opened my eyes and found there the source of an exquisite pleasure, the purest and sweetest that nature supplies. How ardent I seized it with hands that were glowing and back to my white sheeted bed went with all, then soon, with the emblems of love overflowing, was happy in what to my lot did befall—the Santa Claus stocking, the generous stocking, the Christmas morn stocking which hung on the wall! How sweet through its round open top to explore it as poised on my knee it inclined to my view! Not a hot, tempting breakfast could make me ignore it for longer at most than a minute or two. And now, far removed from the loved situation, the tear of regret will intrusively fall as fancy reverts to my youth's habitation and sighs o'er the stocking which hung on the wall—the Santa Claus stocking, the pithoric stocking, the Christmas morn stocking which hung on the wall! But grown people find there's a later sensation as grateful as any they felt long ago. It comes when they witness the glad exultation which on Christmas morning their own offspring show. And now, dear old Santa Claus, let me petition your favor for children, both large ones and small. Bring all the bright hopes to the fullest fruition that rest in each stocking which hangs on the wall—the wealthy child's stocking, the poor urchin's stocking; yes, fill every stocking which hangs on the wall!

## Telephoning Santa Claus



Hello, Santa! I'm Louise.  
Don't send me a dollie,  
please.  
Naughtymobile painted red—  
That's what I would like  
instead!

### XMAS BIRDS AND BEASTS. A DOG'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.

Picturesque Method of Celebrating Yuletide by the Poles.

The legend that the birds and beasts came to worship the Infant Jesus has brought about a peculiar and picturesque method of celebrating Christmas among the Poles and other kindred peoples of eastern Europe.

Here men mask in the guise of storks, bears and other animals or birds and go about from house to

How a Friend Remembered Roy, the Collie.

Last Christmas a neatly ribboned box arrived by express in a New England town addressed to Roy, a collie. A fine large bone, with plenty of good red meat still adhering, was found within. Roy put the bone where it would do him the most good after one of his friends had removed the paraffin paper and holly berry garnishment which the donor had sent along. The bone was a Christmas gift from a little girl in the south, who had spent the



IN THE GUISE OF STORKS, BEARS AND OTHER ANIMALS.

house singing carols. To carry out the idea these wild birds and savage beasts are led about by keepers.

After the traditional carols are sung the inmates of the house thus honored reward the singers by gifts of cakes, sausages and other dainties. The procession then moves to another house, where the performance is repeated.



A FINE LARGE BONE

summer in Roy's town and had become very fond of the dog. Roy's next friend dictated and sent the following telegram to the little girl:

Many thanks for the bone. You are the only one who remembered me today. Mary happy returns. ROY.

### WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Week ending Tuesday, Dec. 4, 1908

Day	max	min.	precip (in)	sn/w fall	character of day
wed.	29	4	0.40	5	cloudy
thur.	29	-6	0.00	00	clear
frid'y	23	-6	0.00	00	"
sat'y	29	-2	0.00	00	"
sun.	20	2	0.00	00	"
mon.	35	4	0.00	00	"
tues.	36	21	0.00	00	cloudy

Total Precipitation for 1907, 26.75 in.

The cattle and sheep men herding stock on the Des Chutes National Forest Reserve have been notified by Forest Inspector Ireland that fences will be built next year in order to separate the sheep and the cattle. It is likely that this arrangement will be followed hereafter on all ranges.

A moving electric train is on display in Reynold's show window.