When long ago to earthly woe. A child the Saviour came. Heralded long by sacred song And prophet's tongue of flame, No clanging bell or choral peal O'er hills of Judea rung, But bending from the evening cloud

Attending angels sung. For man, the triumph echoes loud, For man, the Child is given : Rejoicing that man's chain is burst. O'erflow the choirs of heaven.

But ah ! for Him, the lonely One, Grief-smitten from His birth. An exile from His Father's house. A Stranger in the earth,-

Is there no low, prophetic tone, In all the music swelling. Of sad Gethsemane's awful hour, Or dark Golgatha telling ? Or did the angels seeing far Redemption's wondrous dawning,

No more across the troubled south, "Good-will and peace" are ringing : The tumults of the ages hush

We read the words He left for us; The sweet, pathetic story Has left on human life and love

Our glorious Elder Brother ? Have we accepted Christ in Him. Or look we for another ? If He is ours, and we are His, His earthly image bearing, When time and tears forever pass,

And hallelujahs ringing In all our hearts good-will and peace Prolong the angels' singing. Hush the long strife of bloody war. Teach love's perfected story, 'Till o'er the earth the nations see The coming of His glory !

WHO RANG THE BELL

A CHRISTMAS STORY. BY MISS M. E. WINSLOW.

member. The little hollow-seated chair, with its be the biggest ever we'd seed. I looked at all the "Look out !" he screamed. The frightened short legs, unpainted and unvarnished as it was, little children playin' round, children with long deer avoided that obstacle and sprang ahead faster had taken a polish of its own from such continuous legs an' straight backs, an' I thought how their than ever. Suddenly he heard a roar! He looked use. In summer he sat just outside of the glass mothers 'ud miss 'em if they was drownded. I behind, and there was Santa Claus with another door on the north and in the cool shadow of the called out, but there didn't no one hear me. | team, chasing the runaway; and oh ! what a thunhouse, and in winter just inside of the shop door. Mother was up street an' left me to moind shop. I never knew his name, and I don't know how it | So I crawled along to the church—it's next door | was a big factory chimney ! was that I first came to do it, but somehow I found but one, you know-but I never wint there before. myself saying "Good morning" whenever I went It seemed an awful long way to go on my hands around the corner at the other end of the bridge, and knees, and I was afeard I would be too late. being well rewarded by the flush of pleasure which I crep' in through the place where they put in the always flashed across the plain, almost repulsive coal, an' I found the tower where the bell is, an' face. He had a little Spitz dog for company, and got hold of the rope which hung down to the floor, was often surrounded by a flock of tame pigeons, and pulled real hard. I'm strong in the hands." who hopped about on the pavement and ate easily "And then?" said I, as the poor fellow stopped, agin the stove funnel," said Grandmother, rising out of his hand, so nearly was he on their level; apparently having finished his story. not three feet high, yet with the head, shoulders and chest of a man, and the legs and feet of an in- I must have fell asleep, for I felt cold, an' the water fant. A wearisome existence, one would think; was all around me; so I managed somehow to yet he never looked dull, and when our acquaint- climb up by the rope an' sit in the winder, an' the ance ripened into a speaking one, he never spoke as | water come up to my neck."

I say ripened, for I do not believe in forcing so long?" one's self upon the poor any more than on the rich, "Not much. I'm used to sittin'. I felt loike as and I waited to be met half way. I think it was maybe I'd be drownded, but I remembered as how the dog that first drew us together. I am a great you said it's noice to be of use even by livin', and lover of animals, and my cat being in need of I thought such a crooked little feller couldn't be of something that the home larder did not supply, much use that way; but maybe it's just the same gave me an excuse for entering the little shop. if you do it by dyin'. I thought, too "-and the After that we were friends, and I used to bring voice dropped still lower-" of the picter I saw newspapers with stories in them; and, second-hand hangin' there as I crawled through the church, and though they were, they served to wile away many minded how I was told once that He as hung on

His mother told me his story one day. A fine, an' I thought maybe He'd think I was of use, too." see it so. Once he said .--

great deal of money and help support mother." "How?" I asked.

"Oh, I would have a stand and sell apples, oranges and nuts.

The flush of absolute delight which lit up the poor fellow's face at these words caused me to say, "How pleasant it is to be of use, if only just by living;" and I went on my way pondering over what seemed to me as pretty a piece of real sentiment as I had ever heard, albeit spoken by an old,

pulsive-looking boy. It was quite winter when I again saw my country home. City visits, fall shopping, and other claims detained me till just before the Christmas holidays, when, according to custom, all the branches of the family within reach came together to keep the oldtime festival. As usual, we spent many hours of those delightful preparation days down at the church, twining the shining green garlands and shaping the illuminated texts which were to make beautiful the footprints of the coming King. Here among much of the neighborhood goss of learned the particulars of the autumn inundation which had ruined so much property, and at one time threatened utter destruction to the low-lying parts of the town. The village calamity had, of course, been announced to me by letter, but the details were all new, and a large part of the conversation was devoted to recounting them. It seemed that a great stream of water, liberated by the broken dam above. had overflowed the whole lower portion where stood the thickly-clustered dwellings of the poor, flooding the lower and in some cases the second stories, and sweeping away or destroying whatever was in the path of the waters. But the people, warned by the mysterious ringing of the church bell near the bridge, had been able to remove all the women and children and the greater part of their valuables in time to a place of safety. Who had rung the bell, and discovered the danger so opportunely, was one

of the village mysteries. At last, at night-fall on Christmas eve, the church and as I stood hesitating what to do next, I heard

muffled footsteps upon the stairs. "Whist," a voice said preceding them, "he's not sell anything this Christmas eve." Then seethe extent of our acquaintanceship warranted, and said, "I'm right glad you've got back, he's been weary'n to see you, and I was afeared ye wouldn't come in time."

the Spitz was "company" now. 'flamatory they call it-that the doctor's giv' him | was farther. ip, and he said he wanted so much for to see you

and tell ye something. nixed sensations of the mother's loneliness and his blessed release from that monotonous life. "Did he get wet in the inundation?"

"Yes, shure, if that's what ye ca'l the big freshet, He never was well a bit since he rung the bell." "Did he ring the church bell? They told me no one knew who it was. How could he do it?"

''Deed, an' he did thin, an' whin I found him where he'd been up to his neck in the wather, he was that cold as if he had been dipped in ice. Ye like sheets of marble. see I was runnin' about distracted loike lookin' fur him, while all the people was busy gettin' out their things an' carryin' out the childer, an' of course I niver thought of lookin' in the church. Thin whin the wather come, I had to run with the rest, an when it was all over, and we ventured to come back, I heard his voice a callin', an' me an' the sexton opened the church door an' went into the bell-tower, an' there he sat upon the winder-ledge soaked through an' through."

"But how could "-I was beginning, when a moan up-stairs caught the ear of the watchful

"It's the pain, poor darlint," and she ran quickly | Jerry. up the stairs. She returned again directly, however, saying, "He says he knows the lady's voice and wants her to come up and see him. Will you other curiosities, cried "get up, there!" and didn't

Of course I followed, and there upon his poor deformity was less conspicuous now that the sheet | now !' and coverlid lay above it. The hands were visible a refined, spiritualized look which I had never seen | Town Hall, then to the High School that Tom had upon it before. As of old, a crimson flood of deand left the blue-veined forehead deathly white jingle, jingle, went the bells in the sharp, frosty and chill.

"You said it was noice to be of use, an' I tried to be," said the pale lips; "but I couldn't just reckon up how, as I sat alone in my chair, till the Tom. thank you for tellin' me. It is noice-loike."

"I've sat by the bridge there many a long year an' listened to the roarin' of the waters. I know He had sat there almost as long as I could re- whin a freshet's a-comin', and I knowed this 'ud other chimney.

> "Then I was that tired I thought I'd rest a spell. "Were you not tired and frightened sitting there

the cross there saved the people by dyin' Hisself,

healthy child of eight months, he had fallen through I went quietly out of the room then, placing my the banisters at the head of the stairs, and from Christmas sprig in the thin, pale hand, and receivthat time his lower limbs had ceased to grow pro- ing a last bright smile as recompense. I was not portionally with the upper part of the body, though quite in the mood for the Christmas gayeties which it was not till he was eight or ten years old that our young folks were already commencing, as I the permanent and repulsive deformity began to thought that possibly before the midnight brought show itself. Since then, for twenty-seven years, in the glad Christmas time the poor mother, who he had just sat in that chair. Can any one imagine had expected to keep her deformed son always, a more purposeless life? Yet he did not seem to would be without her "company;" and when all was quiet, and I looked from my window up into worked out, will leave the number of years David "If I only lived in the city now, I could make a the starlit night and thought of the new voice that reigned in Hebron. was possibly added to the "multitude of the heavenly host," singing its Gloria, the Christmas peal sounded out loud and clear, and I rejoiced in remembering when and how my little deformed friend had rung the bell.

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CHRISTMAS IS COMING. Christmas is coming!' said Annie to Will As they whispered together in glee, And what do you think Kriss Kringle will bring In his budget for you and me?"

'If I had my wish," said Will, "I would have A store, and sell everything nice; I shouldn't want ribbons and laces you know;

I think I'd keep sugar and spice. And I," said Annie, " would have a fine house, And set it up right by your store : It would be handy to buy things, you see, With a grocer so near to my door."

To the play-room early on Christmas morn Both hurried with eager feet, And within they saw the house and the store. With furniture all complete.

Then they said in surprise, "Why, these are just right ! Kriss Kringle must surely have heard. For how could he guess what we wanted so well ?

Perhaps he was told by a bird." - Treasure-Trove. A CHRISTMAS TEAM.

BY EDWARD A. RAND. Thomas Granby, jr., was just fourteen. He

"Seein' aint drivin', Thomas. I've seen 'em build a bridge. Wall, I aint no bridge-builder." Tom sullenly affirmed, though, that he "knew" resolved that the next time Uncle Jeremiah came shop, shaking my hand more warmly than I thought Yes, Grandmother should go with him, even if he ' tied her in." He would drive her round town

are tired," suggested Grandmother. "In time for what? Is my little friend ill?"

"No," he answered, gruffly. He said to him said I, looking sadly at the low chair where only self, "I am not going to take any suggestions from "Yes, honey, he's that bad with the rhenmatiz Uncle Jerry's, where she goes next. I wish she

And Tom had his wish. Soon granny seemed to be retreating. Her bright spectacles faded away. "But how did it happen?" said I, thinking with | while her head dress, with its knots and bows, the features of her face, the knitting in her hands, seemed to have departed before the spectacles. "Good !" thought Tom. "Got the room to

He rose and went to the window. "Sleigh-bells over head !' he said, in surprise. "I must get m cap and go out and see what it means." It was a white winter's night. The moon flooded

the earth with a glory in which the snow flashed "Hark! There are those sleigh bells again!" He looked up to the roof of the house of T. Granby,

"Guess I must have a nearer look at that !" said Tom, excitedly. "I'll climb that ladder." Up a ladder leaning against the eaves of the

my hand; I'll drive up to the door," exclaimed

He stepped into the sleigh, which was half filled with books, drums, trumpets, Noah's arks, and those reindeer go ! " Hur-rah!" shouted Tom. "Good-by, bed of suffering lay my little deformed friend. His Grandmother? Young America has got the reins

At a bound the reindeer went from the roof of and fearfully contorted with pain, but the face had the house of T. Granby, sr., to the roof of the just entered, then-but oh! how many roofs they light spread over it at my greeting, then died away leaped upon, and in a moment were away! Jingle, air. Tom could see the people coming to the windows and looking up in wonder.

"Look-look-out there! he suddenly freshet came, an' thin I rang the bell. I wanted to cried. The reindeer almost collided with a huge red chimney. "I guess I must drive a bit more "But what made you think of it? How did carefully. What's the matter with these reins? Dear me! How do they go? I-I-I-" Tom trembled. The reins did not work, and he

crash, the reindeer team went against the chimney ! The next moment Tom was rubbing his eyes open, and also rubbing his aching head. Why, Tommy, you've got asleep and tumbled

"Guess you'd better go to bed." "Guess I'd better," said Tom, and up stairs he rushed .- Treasure- Trove.

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THE MYSTERY. No. 234. - DOUBLE ACROSTIC.

(FROM "VAN," YORK.) The father of a large nation; to succeed: to send money; one of David's messengers; keen; a son of Samuel; the first Christian convert in Europe ; watching ; a small animal. Primals and finals name a city and village visited

No. 235 .- BIBLICAL ARITHMETICAL PUZZLE.

divide the amount by the number of children torn to pieces by she bears, and from the quotient take

Give the first reference of the word MAN. Where is LIFE first mentioned? Where is cow mentioned in the Bible?

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- Epaenetus. No. 221.—(1). Luke xxiii, 7. (2). Lamen. iii. 21. No. 222.—Luke xviii. 11. No. 223. -(1). Because Jonah was a stranger and he took him in. (2). Adam.

No. 224.amAsa torNado presCribe anticHrists CHAT.

CHRISTMAS. It came upon the midnight clear, That glorious song of old, From angels bending near the earth, To touch their harps of gold Peace on the earth, good will to men, From heaven's all gracious King," The world in solemn stillness lay, To hear the angels sing.

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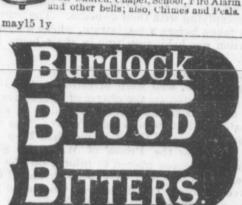


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The sound of angel singing.

Its fadeless gleam of glory. But has He come a king for us,

The heavenly waits our wearing. Then, then, for Him let anthems peal,

The Fireside.

"Indeed, I couldn't spare him," said the mother, " he's such company for me. You see all my other boys grew up and had to go away and leave me, but this one will be mine always. I don't know how I should get along without him."

work was finished, the last garland twined and hung, the last shining twig of holly put in its place. The shadows crept up from the corners, and the smell of pine and balsam spoke like the altar-incense | thought he knew everything. Grandmother Spinckof old of the sweet mystery of the morrow's service. ney did not think that "T. Granby, jr., -that was Then leaving the sexton to sweep up the fragrant the way he wrote his name-knew everything. refuse, I armed myself with a sprig of glossy leaves This difference of opinion was plainly manifested and scarlet berries, and while my younger fellow- one day, or evening, rather. Grandmother Spinckworkers climbed noisily up the hill, I turned to say ney sat knitting by a little red stand. Tom sat a few words of Christmas cheer to my little friend. near the kitchen stove, enjoying the heat and lazily He was not at his usual post outside, nor yet inside | leaning back in a softly cushioned rocking-chair. of the door, and the store was empty save that in The conversation was about horse driving. the low chair which I knew so well the white Spitz "Of course, I could drive a two-horse team was curled up in an after-dinner nap. I entered, Grandmother; I've seen 'em do it."

asleep now, an' I won't have him troubled. I'll he "knew." In the dark depths of his soul, he ing who was there, the speaker advanced into the in his two-horse pung, he would settle that point.

> in Uncle Jerry's red pung. "Hadn't you better go to bed, Tommy? You

her. I wish she was away from here, down at

myself. What's that? Sleigh-bells!"

sr., and there he saw a team! Such a handsome

house he climbed. "Santa Claus's team ! Four reindeer ! My! Santa Claus has gone down a chimney to drop presents. I can drive that team-and-and-I'll try

"Wish Grandmother could see me!" thought

could not work them, and close at hand was an

der-shout he gave! Tom looked ahead, and there "Oh dear! I shall hit that, sure !" he shrieked Grandmother, don't I wish I was in the kitchen !' There was no help for it. With a tremendous

from her chair at the table and coming forward.

(FROM "VITA BROWNE," WOODSTOCK.) Take the number of Proverbs by Solomon, and o this add the number of his Songs, the number his horsemen, and the age of Nosh when the flood was on the earth; take the amount from the number of footmen taken from Hadarezer by David; divide the difference by the number of withes with which Samson was bound; to the quotient add the number of candlesticks made by Solomon and the length of the giant Og's bedstead :

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-h-s--e-p-t--i--o-t--ni- -o-g-e k-e-e-h h-s -o--r-m -r-u-l-s. 3.

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D. POTTINGER. Chief Superintendent.

Railway Office, Moncton, N.B. November 11th, 1885.

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