Old Santa Claus ceases to urge along. His fleet-footed steeds with voice and thong. Well laden with treasures from store and shop, He hitches his team to the chimney top.

O, Santa Claus is a clever old spaite, He comes to the dear little people by night And never was king, with his throne and

As merry as he when the sun goes down.

At midnight, when childhood in slumber seems To gather sweet flowers from the land of dreams Then on to the roof of the house he'll hop. And slyly descend from the chimney top. O, Santa Claus, &c.

On tiptoe he stands on the peaceful spot. Where childhood reposes in crib or cot; He fills up the stocking, he crams the sock, With candies and toys for the household flock. O. Santa Claus, &c.

His favors all scattered, he hastens back, The way that he came, -up the sooty track ; And never his mission of love shall stop, While there is a house with a chimney top. O. Santa Claus, &c.

Now busy as bees in their honied hives. The little folks gather when morn arrives, The merry eye sparkles, the sweet voice rings, As stockings are searched for the wond'rous things.

O, Santa Claus, &c.

They wonder, when bringing his dainty freight, He never comes in by the door or gate ; And hope he will never be forced to stop. And die in the smoke of the chimney top. O, Santa Claus, &c.

Dark's Christmas Adventure.

BY HELEN C. PEARSON.

It was a sad voice that uttered this, and a sad little figure was Dark the colored girl that merry Christmas Eve, as she croushed on the steps of a palatial residence in the great city.

A rag of a shawl was drawn over her sught shivering shoulders, her stockingless feet were hair was wound her special pride a strip of red Dark. handerchief that she had picked up. Altogether poor Dark made a sadly ludicrous appearance. " Hi ho!" sighed she again with a woe-begone

look on her young face, " what am dis chile a Dark. guine to do wid herself dis night? Can't stop the gemple'um 'ud come out, and ask a body in. | the old thing ! " Ky!" and Dark adjusted the bit of bandanna on her jaunty head in anticipation.

came Sambo the genteel serving man with a face | der " at the top of her lungs. as black as Egypt. Peering daintily out, his eye fell on little Dark, squatting on the steps.

"What's the row here?" said a heavy voice, and the portly form of a policeman appeared. fell on little Dark, squatting on the steps.

" Pretty fellar you be !" retorted Dark, mak-

very wide. "I don't believe you'se got such a ready to wish every one a "merry Christmas." heap! Who name'd you?' "De President of de United States," said

Sambo with dignity, " if you don't beleeve dat you'll taste of my boot !" Dark, overcome by the presence of the great

shoes would permit.

their holiday purchases. " Nothin' for dis chile !" said Dark, sorrowful-

ly. "Nabody in dis worl' care for poor nigger girl. Dark spec de debbil'll have her some day," and the tears ran down her dusky cheeks as she on her shoe that spite of her adroit movements kept slipping off.

from. And how much will you take for your he smiled. Paris boots ?" giving them a kick that sent them one way and their owner another. Poor little Dark picked herself up disconso-

appeared. She began to search for the former. how every line went, how every letter was not enter the kingdom of heaven." Suddenly she started back into the shadow with a frightened air, exclaiming " old Nance."

Down the street came a burly, ill-visaged with the copy always before her. woman, half-carrying, half-dragging an elegantly dressed child of five years. "O!O!" screamed the child. "Let me go them looked "every which-way."

" or I'll knock your teeth in with a big stone !" and still Dark stood rooted to the spot. The

had been stolen. low the old thing and see if I can't heip ye!" guilty glances around, but sharp as she was, she dodging in and out among the great buildings.

The old woman disappeared at last in one of

the child of her costly dress, and unclasped a ver be like Jesus."

breathe to-night, or I'll beat you to death !" The child's patient, despairing look, as she

obeyed, struck to the tender heart of the negro, and she was shaking her fist at the wretch inside. when old Nance starting for the door, she beat a some wanting to go one way and some another. a darling brother—a sweet boy of fifteen—en-

It was some time before the wise little Afri-

so she applied her ear to the key-hole and heard not that smack a little of selfishness?" the boys heavy breathing.

Dark's time had come, but do you wonder her self.

and the child shuddered and clung closer to do, teach him how best to do it, and keep him the Provi head felt like a top; the inmates rushed out, child of God.

heard above the din!" and catching hold of her companion, they ran in mind, forgiving, gentle, sympathizing, willing for dear life. Old Nancy, enraged at the to bear and forbear, easily entreated, doing good thought of losing her prize, came shouting to all he has an opportunity.

Wait till I get hold of you !"

of her fear. The minutes seemed hours to the charge it is. fugitives before they reached a safe part of the city. Old Nancy was fast gaining on them, and the little child was sobbing as if her heart would break, when suddenly they missed their pursuer's footsteps.

" Hi !" exclaimed Dark, shaking her fist in the direction she came, and dodging around the corner. "Takes dis chile to play de possum on at his own request was imprisoned, that he might ye. Now we'll rest a bit, an den we'll see what'll be did !"

The two sank wearily on a step near by. "O, I'm so tired, and my feet ache !" said the

little girl. "Look a dar," replied Dark, laughing rather sorrowfully, and she held up her feet, which by the side of the way; then snother, and still were torn and bleeding.

"Too bad !" was the pitying reply, and for the first time in her life Dark was kissed ! There thrust into mammoth shoes cast off by some was an odd sensation in her throat, and the tears what the terrible spectacle meant. A passenger sturdy day laborer, and round her crisp curied blinded her eyes, poor homeless, friendless little replied, with a loud laugh of merriment, that at

" What's your name?" she asked at last. " Minnie Gordon," was the reply. " How did the old critter get you?" inquired

" I was standing on the doorstep, watching wid ole Coloe no longer, for she's gone and died. for papa," said Minnie, with a sob," and she railroad of habit." The dreamer, notwithstand-I wish I lived here, wouldn't it be nise! If only came along and caught me right in her arms,-

"Ha, ha!" cried a rough voice close by. Just then she was startled by the opening of Nancy sprang forward, and gripped them fiercely. the massive door, but instead of the "gemple'um Dark struggled and bit furiously, calling " mur-

"Hi!" he cried, "Tot I heard some body a Old Nancy attempted to run, but he caught her hoping the charm will be broken, the brakes apmuttering. Make yourself source, niggers aint by the arm, exclaiming, "An, I've found you plied, and his soul saved. But he sees not, feels

ing a terrible grimace at him, "you aint de per- The jolly old saint who fills the children's stock- shriek comes back, at least to the ear of faith, ings, had done his part as usual, and in many and he is gone. "Look here," said the servant, glancing houses the bells of joy were ringing in young stealthily around. "I won't stand no sarce. hearts. But nobody was happier than Dark on Mebbe you don't know you'se have the honor to that morning. The weary, hungry wanderer had speak wid de Honorable Mister Caleb Esquire found a home,—a loving Christian home, with the little girl she had rescued, and with her "O my!" ejaculated Dark, her eyes opening beaming black face, and in her tidy dress, was

Following the Copy.

A little girl went to a writing-school. When she saw her copy, with every line so perfect, a single glass of wine, and that at the urgent man, or his threat, moved away as fast as her "I can never, never write like that, she said. She looked steadfastly at its straight lines, been introduced. Down the long aristocratic avenue she clumpwhich was so very straight, and the round lines

I next saw him, when he supposed he was uned until she came to the business part of the city. The stores were brilliantly lighted, and city. The stores were brilliantly lighted, and crowds were thronging in and out, happy over trembled; she drew it back; she stopped, was no danger.

She wrote half a page. The letters were I parteu.

I next saw him reeling out of a low groggery; her desk and said, "What scraggy things you shame was gone.

kindly, " and that is enough for me." She took courage. Again and again she lately, but the shoes and her tormentor had dis-

straddled here, they crowded there, and some of I urged him to sign the pledge, he laughed at

whole truth flashed itself upon her. The child er, "I erause I do not look so much at what you A TEMPERANCE TALE.—Several gentlemen and she darted down the street after the couple. Improvement every day will enable you to reach ex-

"Thank, you, sir," said the little girl; and, tion. did not detect the tattered figure that followed, thus encouraged, she took up her pen with a One of the gentleman—a physician—suddential of the gentleman and the suddential of the suddential of the gentleman and the suddential of the suddential

the great tenement houses in a disreputable And so it is with the dear children who are trying to become like Jesus. God has given us sentence of King Alcohol." Dark seemed to know the house well, and his dear Son " for an example, that we should slipping in at the half-opened door, crept softly follow his steps." He "did no sin, neither was up the long rickety flight of stairs, stopped at a door, sank on her kness and peeped through the door, sank on her kness and peeped through the key-hole.

"O don't please," pleaded the child within.

"Take me home and I'll give you lots of mon-truth."

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"Yes, D. D. R., I remember all this, and truth."

Number One," " If I did not take care of Number One, who law to stringent too prevent a recufrence of such can thought it safe to venture back, and take up would, I should like to know?" cried he. scenes, nor compare the benefit accruing to this her watch at the key-hole. All was still in the True, Number One was right. He ought to poor perishable life, to the loss of eternal life in .zoom, and she could see nothing from her stand, take care of himself—good care. "But does the future kingdom."

ask. Number One thinks of nebody but him-

heart beat, and her knees trembled so she could Nobody but himself! Taat certainly is selscarcely stand as she softly lifted the latch? She fish, and therefore wrong. Yet Number One is

Dark beckoned to her to follow, and noise. and to heaven. Here is a great work to do. lessly they left the room. It seemed to Dark as if they were ages descending the stairs, every step creaked, and on every landing they paused, gal. Give him plenty of good healthy work to

the bottom, when there was a confused sound truth dwell on them. Put a bridle en his above, the door opened, and some one came mouth, that no angry backbiting words shall rushing down stairs. In her terror Dark made a come from it. Let no profane or impure word misstep, lost her balance, and the two fell to escape. Let the law of kindness rule his tongue, the floor. The little girl screamed: Dark's and all his conversation be such as becomes a

and as if to crown all, Old Nancy's oaths were Take care of the affections and feelings of Number One. Teach him to love God with all "Bring a light," said a voice, and with des- his heart, and his neighbor as himself; to care perate effort Dark regained her scattered senses. for others, and share with others; to be lowly

This is the care to take of Number One, and "You thieving nigger, you!" she vociferated. a rich blessing will it prove to his home and neighborhood and himself. Boys! you all have "De nigger don't see it!" cried Dark, in spite Number One to take care of ; and a responsible

Temperance

The Glass Railroad.

We recollect to have read a wild dream bear ing this title. It was by a dissipated poet who not touch the cup of ruin.

He found himself in a car of glass, on a track of the same transparent material. The motion was easy and musical, and the passengers around him were gay. Suddenly his eye caught the glimpse of a dead body with its face upturned another, stained with blood and ghastly, receded rapidly as the cars flew onward.

With an exclamation of horror, he inquired the end of the track was a precipice, over whose edge the train was dashed, to make way for another; and the bodies were laid along the road to apprize the travellers of their own fate if they went on to the end of the pleasant journey, and whispered with awful emphasis, "This is the ing this warning reverie, went over the edge of ruin, and filled a drunkard's grave.

But besides the fearful illustration the vision Both children started with a scream, and Old affords of the sorcery and devastation of intemperance, how forcible the application to general impenitence. The sinner glides along past graves, the lifted cross, and through an atmosphere of prayer, on the smooth and seductive track of habit-neglecting the great salvationnot the velocity and momentum of his course,

" His honors in a dream are lost,

A Yonug Man's History. The Temperance Banner, a well conducte monthly paper, gives, from a contributor, some thoughts on the history of a young man, that all

young people would do well to ponder. Read,

and ponder: I first saw him at a social party; he took but solicitation of a young lady to whom he had

studied the copy, and began again. "I can but I next saw him, late in the evening, unable try,' said the little girl; " I will do as well as I to walk home. I assisted him thither, and we parted.

crooked. What more could we expect from a a confused stare was on his countenance, and slowly plodded on, stopping now and then to put first effort? The next scholar stretched across words of blasphemy were on his tongue, and

make !" Tears filled the little girl's eyes. She I saw him once more. He was cold and mo-"Hello!" shouted a big boy who was saun- dreaded to have the teacher see her book. 'He tionless, and was carried by his friends to his last tering along with his hands in his pockets, will be angry with me, and scold," she said to resting place. In the small procession that fol-Hello you ancient African, where did you come herself. But when the teacher came and looked, lowed, every head was cast down. His father's gray hairs were going to the grave with sorrow "I see you are trying, my little girl," he said, his mother wept that she had ever given birth to such a child.

I returned home musing on his future state.

rounded and made. Then she took up her pen. This is a sad story, dear children. When a and began again to write. She wrote carefully, boy, our poor friend was as happy and bright as any of you. More than once, when students But oh, what slow work it was! Her letters together, did he sneer at my teetotalism; when me and scouted at the bare suggestion of dan-The little girl trembled at the step of the ger. Poor Fred! his father had the glass on

ly asked, "What is your opinion, Mrs. C.? Surely you have good reasons for mitigating the "I would gladly see it banished from the

country."

"Hold your tongue, or I'll take it out of your And when you study his character, "I can child, and that I trembled with terror when my fa-"Hold your tongue, or I'll take it out of your head," said the woman, as she roughly stripped never, never reach that," you say. "I can nether came home in a state of intoxication from the place where rum was licensed to be sold. I reslender gold chain from her neck. Then tying the elegant clothing in a bundle, and tossing her a filthy dress, she said, with an oath,—

God does not expect you to become like his dear Son in a minute, or a day, or a year; but what pleases him is, that you should love him "Put that on, and don't let me hear you and have a disposition to try. - Little Corporal. of an open grog-shop transformed him into a monster of cruelty. Yes," she continued bitterly, " I remember when I was made fatherless, and my mother a widow, with the dreadful "I always take care of Number One." said sound in our ears, 'No drunkard shall inherit one of a troop of boys at the end of a bridge, the kingdom of God.' Yes, more; I remember "That's you out and out," cried one of his ticed into one of these respectable drinking sa-"She's gwine down to Tompkins to buy whiecompanions. "You don't think or care about loons, and from thence borne away insensible to key with the pretty things. Hope she'll get any one but yourself; you ought to be called linger in a state of half-idiocy until death closed the scene. Tell me not," said she, " of a

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bad never been taught to pray, but it was almost committed to our own care. What sort of care? is the all-important question."

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They correct his coul. Number Occ. has a player of his coul. The old woman lay across a heap of straw asleep, and crouched at her feet was the kidnapped soul to save from sin and from hell. Number of the spinning. A reel is attached to wind the infant; so simple is their composition, that they girl, the tears still running down her fair cheeks.

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"Poor thing," murmured Dark, "I'll just tollow the old thing and see if I can't heip ye!" eand she darted down the street after the couple. Old Nance hurried on with har prey, casting guilty glances around, but sharp as she was, ahe did not detect the testerned flower than the follows:

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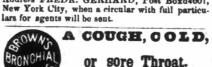
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