

and no human agency employed to lead me to salvation. It was all of God. By the grace of God alone I am what I am. To him belongs all the glory of saving me from a sinful life and a miserable future. Since that hour I have never doubted God's power and willingness to suddenly and soundly change and regenerate the penitent sinner.'—'Christian Alliance.'

### Two Jolly Little Dolls for the Christmas Tree.

Among the pretty knickknacks that are wanted to adorn the Christmas tree, without being too heavy, the witch doll and the peanut man will be gay additions and quite fascinating for an evening's work by a party of young folks.

For the witch doll, all that will be needed is the scrap bag, a few yards of narrow ribbon and some nice, large hickory nuts.

The body is made of a piece of white calico, folded to a width of three inches and rolled till it is as thick as a lead pencil. Tie the roll securely with coarse thread at the top, but let the lower edge be free to spread a little to help the old lady stand up.

For the head, wrap a fold of cotton round one of the nuts, remembering that the pointed end will form the nose. After getting the nut secured from slipping back out of position, cut off the cotton half an inch below the nut and by means of this piece sew the head very strongly to the body. If this much of the work is well one, the rest is plain sailing.

Make a very full petticoat of any suitable goods, gather, and sew about half an inch below the head. Over this gather a still wider skirt of some rather stiff goods, sewing on at the same place. Be sure the skirts are of such length (a little longer than the body) that the doll will stand alone. For the upper garment, which is merely a long cape, cut a semicircle of any contrasting goods, the straight edge being about twice the height of the doll. Scallop or pink the rounded edge, fold down an inch or so across the top, but do not hem. Now fasten simply round the neck so that the cape closes neatly down the front. It should finish just above the edge of the skirt.

For the witch's bonnet, take a three-inch square of some wiry goods that will not crease easily. Cut it on the straight, fold it inside out diagonally and sew it across one side and half down the other. Now turn right side out, fold in the corner that was not sewed up and slip that opening over the head, sewing securely round the neck and under the chin. A piece of narrow ribbon round the neck tied in long bows in front completes the costume, after which you have only to ink on the eyes, nose and mouth.

A writer in the 'Morning Star' thus describes the peanut man:—

One peanut makes the head, on which you must mark with a pen the eyes, nose, mouth, ears and hair, and you may give him a beard if you choose.

Now, by means of a long needle and a strand of thread, string together three peanuts, end to end, for the little man's body, two for each arm and two for each leg. Select two very small ones to make the feet, marking them with a pen to represent shoes.

But he will be a queer man, indeed, if you leave him in this condition—for he is a civilized fellow and must have some clothes. If you are a girl, make him a suit yourself; if you are a boy, get your sister to make it for you.

To give him a gay look, suppose you make his coat of red cloth, his trousers of yellow and his leggings of green. Then finish him off by putting the cup of an acorn on his head for a hat, and to this attach a thread by which you can hang him up.

## Last Week's Prize Winners.

The lists sent in so far are so small that the prizes and commissions awarded are amounting to nearly double the amount sent in by the prize winners.

Any one reading the following statement carefully will see how easily people are earning these cash prizes.

The first one to start in any town or village has of course the best chance. The best lists so far are coming from villages,

The first week of the competition the two prize winners sent us altogether only \$22.85

And they received as commission	\$18.03
And " " " Prizes....	\$15.00
	<u>\$33.03</u>

Another week in this competition the two prize winners sent us altogether only \$8.85, Just think of it!

And they received as commission	\$1.86
And " " " Prizes....	\$15.00
	<u>\$16.86</u>

The lists sent in are wofully small as yet. This is bad for us, but it makes it all the more easy for you to win the prizes.

Why don't you try? Even if you live in a small village you could easily beat the **largest** list yet. Remember, that these prizes have been secured by lists amounting to only \$6.00 and \$2.35 respectively. All the prizes so far except one, have been secured by those living in villages.

We are giving these cash prizes, one of \$10 and one of \$5, every week until Christmas, in **addition** to our very liberal commissions, which alone are enough to make canvassing for the 'Witness,' 'World Wide' and 'Northern Messenger' a very profitable occupation for your spare time.

Besides, there is that prize of \$200 coming next spring to the one sending the largest amount of subscription money (except Sunday School clubs for 'Northern Messenger') before that date. Everything you send in now counts towards that prize, besides giving you the chance of one of the weekly prizes.

Try your neighbors. They will appreciate our publications as much as you do.

The following are the successful competitors in the gold competition for the week ending November 26th.

**First Prize**—\$10.00 to W. B. Vanvliet, Province of Quebec, who, besides the prize, earns \$15.50 as commission, making \$25.50 profit on his week's work.

**Second Prize**—\$5.00 to M. J. Cavers, also of the Province of Quebec, who, besides the prize, earns \$12.98 as commission, making \$17.98 profit for his week's work.

The lists must be marked "Gold Competition."

**These Prizes are despatched each Monday.**

Full particulars of the competition will be sent on application.