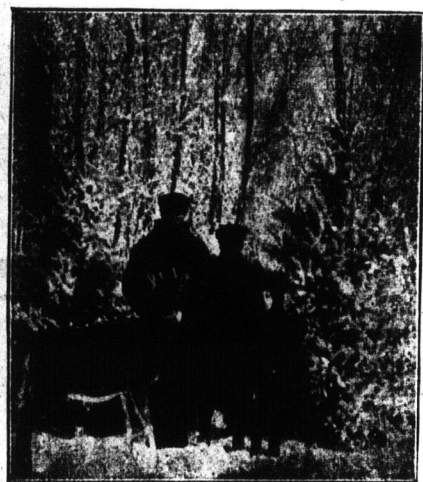


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that his mother kept a clean place. I ordered tea and sandwiches and chatted with the affable proprietress, herself.

"Big doings to-night," she remarked, as she pulled a child away from a tub of pickles—"Alexis! You now be a good boy or you know what you'll get! Them pickles are for customers yet—Yes, I'm going over when I get the babies asleep. Me, I made the ice cream for the wedding."

"Babies? Do you mean the twins your son Louis told us about?"

"Sure. Only a month old. You maybe would like to see them? Nix, it ain't no trouble. Miriam!"

The flirt of a red skirt at the rear door was followed by the appearance of a dark curly head peeping about the door-jamb.

"She's bashful already," explained Mrs. Simolski in an aside, and then: "Miriam, you bring here Isidore and Rosy."

Miriam, who proved to be a handsome girl of about twelve, came in, wheeling a twin go-cart, in which lay, or rather,

on account he's got weak eyes. The glasses he wears so thick they are—like an opera glasses. Ray Raschowitz is going to wear paylette silk, one dollar forty-eight cents by the yard, reduced from two dollars, retail. Her uncle what keeps a store in Saskatoon lets her down easy. I hear Mrs. Isaacstein she's going to wear battleship grey crepe de chine trimmed with—Now, Olga, you be a good girl once and mind Rosy and Isidore, and maybe I bring you somedings from the party."

Olga had crept silently out from behind a rear counter. Tear tracks lay upon her cheeks and she drew a long, sobbing breath while regarding me with a round-eyed stare.

"I wanta see the bride," she said, sadly. "Never yet I saw a bride."

"You are only ten. Lots of time yet you see brides," returned her mother. "Maybe," if you're good you get married some day yourself. Now, there she starts crying again! I'm surprised you should act like that! This lady here she



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reclined at a slant, two delectable morsels of humanity with black eyes and soft downy dark heads.

"I got it my hands full with them, you bet," said their mother, pulling the covers aside and lifting out Isidore. "Feel him. Ain't he nice and heavy already? Ten pounds. Rosy is nine. They were so small, too, when they were born. They've gained a lot."

The sound of weeping drifted in from the rear, just then.

"It's Olga. She's mad because I don't let her go to the wedding," elucidated Mrs. Simolski. "You, Miriam, wait on that oder customer, and then send Olga in here. It seems I got to talk to her some more yet."

The speaker went on: "My husband's at the front since before Christmas. Not yet he knows about the babies. Mr. Isaacstein what gets married to-night can't be a soldier

will put it in the paper what a big cry-baby you are."

"Let her come," I pleaded. "Couldn't you bring the babies along? I'll take charge of one for you."

"Not at your life! Too much trouble it makes for you."

But I told her it would be a pleasure, and she hesitated but a moment.

"Philip Goldmann, my nephew, he minds the store. Well, maybe we can all go. Yes—all right. I got to take Dimitri and Abie and Alexis too—I would rather as soon take a barrel of monkeys, but what can you do when you're married? Excuse me, and I'll go and get dressed."

Mrs. Simolski returned ten minutes later, resplendent in plum-colored silk, with a black lace scarf and long, white, near clean gloves.

Then, having gathered up all of her little brood and performed some altera-

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