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### The Little Sister's Christmas

Youth's Companion.)

It was to be a glorious Christmas ing to pound. at Doctor Brewer's. All 'the children' Hush, dear! You'll wake Aunt Arways spoke of the grown-up ones as day on the chou-chou cars.' the children'-were coming home. 'Merry Ch'is'mus, Aunty Arna!' Mabel was coming from Ohio with shouted the irrepressible Minna. her big husband and her two babies, from her teaching in New York.

only one niggardly week. After school must get up. hours she had helped her mother in the Christmas preparations every day hurry down to help get breakfast until she crept into bed at night with not so easy a task with Minna ever aching arms and tired feet, to lie at one's heels. The quick-moving there tossing about, whether from sprite seemed to be everywhere-into weariness or glad excitement she did the sugar-bowl, the cooky jar, the

'O papa,' protested her mother. made short work of breakfast.

handy!' pinned up on her head and a pina-

helping with the many last things, fore they could touch a single pre-Peggy let down her braids and put sent. on her new crimson shirt-waist, and stood with her mother in the front Arna and Hazen.

eyes, and Arna had taken Peggy's face in her two soft-gloved hands and lifted it up and kissed it, and ers were ever a jovial company. Hazen had swung his little sister up in the air just as of old. Peggy's tired feet were dancing for joy. She was helping Arna take off her things,

have carried Hazen's heavy grip, too, wait supper till the rest come.'

The rest came on the nine o'clock train, such a load of them-the big, bluff brother-in-law, Matel, plumb to go. She loves the Christmas and laughing, as always, Minna, elfin music, No hymn rings so with joy as music, No hymn rings so with joy as Minna was sleepy enough, and break-Robin. Such hugging, such a hubbub Robin. Such hugging, such a last there of baby talk! How many things there on the Christmas morning. Besides, her chum Eether will be at church, her chum Eether will be at church,

Peggy was here and there and wwhere Everything was in joyous confusion. Supper was to be set on, too. While the rest ate, Peggy sat by, holding Robin, her own little Express from Halifax, ... 12.11 p. m. time to pick up the things—napkin, knife, spoon, bread,—that Minna

The dreadful regents' examination the babies.

Douy must baste the turkey and prepare the vegetables and take care of the babies.

all stowed away for the night. Some of them wanted pitchers of warm water, some of them pitchers of cold. I shall be pleased to forward you my Catalogue of other Clubbing for Truro at 7.40 a. m. and 5.35 p. brought up for heating the baby's m. 6.40 a. m. and 3.15 p. milk at night. The house was crowd- Minna opens her mouth in a howl. ed, too. Peggy had given up her room

The cot had been enlarged by hav-

express trains from Halifax, arriving in Boston next morning. Returning, in Boston next morning. Returning, of the children of Hazen of Hazen of the children of the c leaves Long Wharf, Boston, Tuesday proudly of the children, of Hazen, church, would be to be lying on her the tall brother, with his twinkling father's couch in the office, all by eyes, his drolleries, his teasing; of herself, reading. graceful Arna, who dressed so dainti-

Peggy to college, too—it was so of Peggy's workmanship, and Peggy such buckwheat cakes as could Mrs. good of Arna! But for all Peggy's has had a hand in most of the other admiration of Arna, it was Mabel, dishes, too, as the mother proudly tells. How that merry party can eat!

approachable. Mabel did not pretend day after arrive even to as much learning as Peggy is waitress, and it is long be had herself; she was happy-go-lucky and herself; she was happy-go-lucky ert makes daily and sweet-tempered. Then her hus
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er S. S. Prince Albert makes daily and sweet-tempered. Then her husust as fond of the unusual Christmas the latest riser, was joyously calling S. S. Prince Albert makes daily and sweet-tempered.

trips (Sunday excepted) between band was a great, jolly fellow, with good things as are the rest, but for more. Parrsborc and Wolfville, calling at whom it was impossible to be shy, somehow, before she is well started and the babies—there never were such cunning babies, Peggy thought.

At eleven o'clock reggy realized at her turkey, it is time for changing babies, Peggy thought.

At eleven o'clock reggy realized that she had had no breakfast hering plates for dessert, and before she self, and that her mother was hurry—you've finished this you must lie up self, and that her mother was hurry—you've finished this you must lie up Kentville. Just here her niece gave her a parhager, ticularly vicious kick, and Feggy opposed to her train of admiring thoughts (But I'm so tirad!)

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It's mornin'! It's Ch'is'mus!' papers at MONITOR OFFICE.

It's mornin'! It's Ch'is'mus!'

Oh, no, it isn't, Minna!' pleaded kitchen. The mother and the older daughters are gathered about the sit
MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES Peggy, struggling with sleepiness. It's mornin'! It's Ch'is'mus!'

half an hour later, all alone in the kitchen. The mother and the older daughters are gathered about the sit
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(By Winnifred M. Kirkland, in the 'Ch'is'mus, Ch'is'mus, Ch'is'mus! It's Ch'is'mus!' said Minna, continu-

-little Peggy and her mother al. na, and she's tired after being all

'O darling, be quiet! We'll play lit-Minna and little Robin, the year-old the pig goes to market. I'll tell you grandson whom the home family had a story, only be quiet a little while. never seen; Hazen was coming all the way from the Johns Hopkins Medical School, and Arna was coming hour from five to six. Then, however, her shrill 'Merry Ch'is'mus!' roused It was a trial to Peggy that vara. | the household. Protests were of no tion did not begin until the very day avail. Minna was the only grandbefore Christmas, and then continued daughter. Dark as it was, people

steaming teakettle-before one could 'Not so hard, daughter,' the doctor turn about. Urged on by the impatient little girl, the grown-ups

when we're so busy, and Peggy is so honored Brower custom, they formed honored Brower custom, they formed 'Not so hard,' he repeated, with his in procession, single file, Minna first, eyes on fifteen-year-old Peggy's deli- then Ben with Baby Robin. They cate face, as, wearing her braids each held aloft a sprig of holly, and they all kept time as they sang. fore down to her toes, she stoned 'God rest you, merry gentlemen,' in raisins and blanched almonds, rolled their march from the dining-room to bread-crumbs and beat eggs, dusted the office. And there they must form and polished and made ready for the in circle about the tree, and dance three times round, singing, 'The Finally, after a day of flying about | Christmas tree is an evergreen,' be-

tling up with the first home-comers. best love. They all fall to opening, Then there were voices ringing up and the babies' shouts are not the

Peggy gazes at her gifts quietly, but with shining eyes-little gold cufi pins from Hazen, just like Arna's; a set of furs from Mabel and Ben; but Christmas twilight. she likes Arna's gift best of all, a

'Set the kettle to boil, Peggy,' diger about the Christmas tree, Peggy
vainly trying to induce the excited Peggy was not to be found, But much as they would like to linrected her mother; 'then run upstairs and her mother, at least, must rerected her mother; 'then run upstairs and see if Arna wants anything. We'll washed and the beds made, and that

that somebody who but Peggy? Some body must baste the turkey and pre-

Express from Yarmouth,... 1.54 p. m. knife, spoon, bread,—that Minna Accom, from Richmond, ...5.20 p. m. knife, spoon, bread,—that Minna Peggy is surprised to find how dif-Accom. from Richmond, ...5.20 p. m. hilarious with the late hour, flung ficult it is to combine dinner-getting ficult it is to combine dinner-getting once thought of asking Arna to help 'And it is so mean of me, so mean It seemed as if they would never te all stowed away for the night. Some door, there is Minna's head of them was all stowed away for the night. Some of them was all stowed away for the night. Some thought of asking Arna to help her, but Arna seemed so tired.

It seemed as if they would never te all stowed away for the night. Some thought of asking Arna to help her, but Arna seemed so tired. the oven door, there is Minna's head thrust up under her arm, the inquisitive little pase in great danger by her chum, and to take her home with 'And you shall have one,' he and tive little nose in great danger by reason of sputtering gravy.

prolonged, but without tears and in, he does not know why. Peggy is a doting aunt, but an honest one. She ing three chairs, piled with pillows, is vexed by a growing conviction in. 'Isn't it your vacation as well as dressed Peggy and put her to bed as in. 'Isn't it your vacation as well as dressed Peggy and put her to bed as in. 'Isn't it your vacation as well as dressed Peggy and put her to bed as set along the side. But Minna prethat Mabel's babies are sadly spoilferred to sleep in the middle of the
ed. Peggy is ashamed of herself; surein your vacation as well as
that Mabel's babies are sadly spoiltheirs? Do make that child stop pulling your hair!' ly she ought to be perfectly happy ing your hair! stead, she finds that the thing she did that night. would like best of all to be doing at

home.' The dinner is a savory triumph for ly, talked so cleverly, and had been Peggy and her mother. The gravy than ever to wait on them all the 'Sorry for what?' asked the wonand the mashed potato are entirely

upstairs for their nap-just in the more and more, and she seemed 'But who will take care of Minna?'

ting-room hearth, engaged in the too. How Peggy longed to be skim-

dear, delicious talk about the little ming over the snow instead of pol-

'Peggy is all alone,' he says. 'But we're having such a good given in Esther's honor. Sue enumertalk,' the mother pleads, 'and Peggy ated six other gatherings that were

Peggy is not left to wash the Christ- why. Everybody was giving Esther a mas dishes all alone. Because she is were happy tears in the mother's smile indulgently at the racket, rehome for Christmas, and the Brow- eyes are wet, for Peggy is hotly feelings that she cannot down. She Out in the sitting-room she heard her forgets them for a while, however. mother saying, 'Yes, of course we sitting on the hearth-rug, snuggled can have waffles for supper. Where's against her father's knee in the Peggy?' Then Peggy ran away.

> Yet the troublesome thoughts came complete set of her favorite author. back in the evening, when Peggy sat his bearskins. As always, 'Where's

> nobody dreams how much she wants it with the little niece, and another her softly. But Peggy was not in any Jerusalem triumps, Messiah is king. fast was a protracted meal, to which kitchen attic to be tried. The choir sings it only once a year, the 'children' came down slowly, one There came a husky little moan out by one. Arna did not appear at all, of its depth, as he whispered 'Daughand Peggy has been too busy to go and Peggy carried up to her the ter! He groped his way to her, and to see her since she came home from daintiest of trays, all of her own preparing. Arna's kiss of thanks was into his bearskin coat. somebody must stay at home, and great reward. It was dinner-time before Peggy realized it, and she had said. And it came out with many

her to spend the night. The babies. swered. fretful with after-Christmas crossness ... He carried her straight into her not eat another bit of cardy!' and were tumbling over their aunt and own room, laid her down on her own sadly interrupting confidences, while bed, and tumbled Hazen's things in-Peggy explained that she could not to the hall. Then he went downstairs without change of color. Robin joins go out that evening. All the family and talked to the family.

If Esther's words had only not asleep.

ought just to be glad they're all at kissed her good morning.

next morning. Nobody could make dering Peggy. Brower; nobody could turn them as could Peggy. They were worth com- beakfast.'

At eleven o'clock Peggy realized Peggy.

'Ch'is'mus, Ch'is'mus, Ch'is'mus! the doctor. It is he who finds Peggy ticing. It was the first sleighing of eat, Christmas books to read, and Outside the sleigh bells sounded en- her luxury of orange marmalade

things that are always left out of ishing knives all alone in the kitchletters. The doctor interrupts them. | en! Sue Cummings came that afterstood with her mother in the front doorway, for it was Christmas eve at last, and the station bus was rational to custom, packages of every state and size, but all in white paper and handy!'

Lesther's visit home. Sue seemed to handy!'

Well, girls?' is all the doctor says, dwell much on the subject. Presently with quiet command in his eyes, and with quiet command his eyes, and with q party, everybody but Peggy herself,

Peggy stood at the door to see Sue

stamping in, shaking the snow from

Peggy was not to be found, they little girl to go to sleep, while bursts told him. They had been all over the the family must get ready for church.

Peggy does not go to church, and

There were always breaking in upon the must have gone out with Sue. The doctor seemed to doubt this He went

and Peggy was unused to any ordeterd she finds that the thing she slept a long, long time. The sun was sobbed Peggy, in the darkness. 'I her awake, came to the bed and 'I'm so sorry, little sister!' she

> 'Because I didn't see.' said Arna. 'But now I'm going to bring up your

> watch her eat.

'You're so good to me, Atna!' said

It did not seem to Peggy that she had been asleep at all when she was waked by a vigorous pounding on her chest and a shrill little voice in her ear:

'Ch'is'mus. Ch'is'mus. Ch