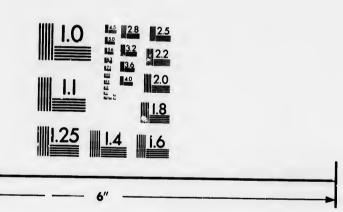
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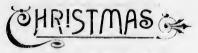


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13.	Song—"My Fairest Flower," W. Daunt Scott, '95, Acco	mpanist				
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"Do you suppose the boss gets his sugar for nothing?" was the incautious reply.

HIS WAY OF PUTTING IT.

Van Ishe—So she refused you? Ten Brok (sadly)—Yes; in fact, she told me to go to—(whispers).

Van Ishe - Dear me! Why, I-

Ten Brok—That is, she told me to ask her father, and, as he's dead, I suppose that's what she meant.

THOUGHT IT WAS A SAVINGS BANK.

Mamma—What are you shaking the life out of that poor cat for.

Willie—I heard pa say that the kittie had \$20 in her last night. I was only trying to shake some of it out.

It's almost too good to be true, but the Philadelphia Record notes the marriages of a Mr. Tarr and Miss Feather; also of Mr. Downs and Miss Ups.

Buckwheat cakes that taste good for breakfast and make a man feel like committing murder the rest of the day have made their appearance.—Atchison Globe.

"My dear," said the elegant Mr. Smoothemdown to his wife, "why this unprecedented delay in the preparation of the matutinal refreshment?"

"If you mean why breakfast ain't ready, it's because you was too lazy to git up and split the wood.

Maud — Is that her own complexion? Mabel—It ought to be. She paid for it.

One of the curious things about the gulf stream is that no whales are found in it.

White huckleberries are reported to be found in abundance at Gardner's Lake, Conn.

Winkers—Why do bicyclists ride with their noses so close to the ground? Jinkers—Looking for tacks.

A nugget of gold weighing 100 ounces was recently found at Coolgardie, Australia.

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Young Poet—I cannot make up my mind whether I had better read "Hamlet" once more or write something myself.

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THE LADY AND THE TROLLEY.

It was a Cambridge car, and it had stopped just in front of Beck Hall. Mrs. Casey, who sat near the front door, tackled her bundle of washing and started to leave by the front plat-form. The bundle was rather large and decidedly awkward to handle, and when she reached the street it slipped from her grasp and fell upon one of the tracks.

She started quickly to recover it, but a sudden apprehension seized her and she stopped. Looking at the motorman, she said, doubtfully: "If Oi put me fut on the track will Oi hov a shock?"

"No, madam." replied the motorman, gravely, "not unless you put your other foot on the trolley wire."

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Just simply wrapped in thought.

A BURGLARY.

Tom-Pills, the druggist, tells me that burglers entered his store the other night and stole \$15 worth of perfume. Too bad, wasn't it? Jerry-I should say so. Have they put the detectives on the scent?

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