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BETSEY'S NIGHT WITH THE BEAR.

children, and, after a while, the tall, sunburnt father, you made up your mind that this was almost a village. Then a few rods on, and the wood "Vat you do?" said old great field of corn and potatoes, which hardly needed scarcerows, because the blackened stumps, still standing, each quiet?" he called to Betty. "Not to be seemed to be one. Then the lake, and feared if you falls in de vater." the lake which emptied into it, and on the other side, the maple-wood, where sugar was made in the Spring, when the Indians came down from the upper for every rested a second on the pair, IN UTAE! lakes.

with lumbermen, who camped only a mile or two from then, and through the summer they amused themselves in a way you never would dream of. And so the years went on, and little Betty, the youngest, came to be four years old.

season.

"Now, children, I want you to do your prettiest to-day?" Mrs. Brewer said early in the mothing. "If you want your fill of huckleberry pie this more afore they're gone.

"I found a place yesterday," said Jack; "I bet there's half a bushel anynow. Put Betty down in the middle, an' she might fill a two quart pail without getting up."

started on, followed by Barah and Betty in Indian file.

Five or six miles to the best hucklenever tired.

Before long they passed a little lake, stopped there to drink, and soon reached the opening where the berries grew thickest.

What with finding better and better places, and stopping sometimes to watch still and if you are anxious to find out the scolding squirrels, and then to eat her real name, write to me and I will dinner, the day went swiftly by, and it tell you .- Hearth and Home. was almost sunset when they turned home with heavy pails and baskets. Betty lagged behind, for she ached with long stepping, and Jack and Sarah grew more and more impatient. "Now, Betty, we'll just leave you if

quick ear caught a slight sound, and Mr. Brewer darted off to the left, but stopped short, and stood with such a ghastly face that old Pierre too paused a moment. Not a stone's throw from

"Dat vay," old Pierre said, as his

little house right under the shadow of the tall Minnesota pines! Coming upon it, though, after long miles of crackling in the brush it raised its head, stient forests, it seemed quite gray and lively, and if you went ib, and saw the bright-faced mother and three wild

opened out of the clearing, where, day Pietre as Mr. Brewer leveled his gun. after day, the father worked in his "You shoots now and made dat bear,

As he spoke the bear had reached the and in that second, old Pierre, the best In the Winter, the woods were filled shot in Minnesota, fired. Without

"De prettiest shot dis bon gun did ever fire," old Plerre shouted, hugging his gun and dancing wildly about, It was August, a hot, bright day, and while Mr. Brewer hugged Pierre, the the very height of the huckleberry gun, and Betty all at once, and then ran toward home, forgetting all weariness in this great joy.

They were a happy family that day, as sitting about the bed where Betty lay in state, they tried to make her tell Winter, you've got to get me a bushel when the bear came to her, and how

she felt. "I rolled way down somewhere," said Betty, "and sort of went to sleep, and then I cried when I woke up because I was all scratched an' smarty Then I heard somefin comin' and "Well, bring home sil you can," said didn't cry any more, an' it came an' the mother; and here's your dinners in this little pail. Look out for Betty." "She'il look out for herself; she's cute as a Injun this minute?" And Jack picked up his basket and it lay down an' licked me. Its tongue was all rough an' scratchy; it hurt me. But when I tried to get away it growled. Then I kept still, an' I was so tired, an' berry field would men a long way to we went to sleep, an' I didn't remem-you, but the children's brown bare feet ber till it plaked me up an' made me cry, coz the teeth pinched me, an' then

> Do you think this can't be true, boys BUY IT! and girls? I know it is, for Betty her- BUY IT! self told me the story. She is living

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