

# At Christmas Play and Have Good Cheer For Christmas Comes but Once a Year

## WONDERFUL BUSINESS WOMAN

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The return to the business world of that clever and successful business woman, Frank Leslie, publisher of the *Illustrated News*, is a subject of much interest to the public. Mrs. Leslie was born in New York. Her maiden name was Miss Frances Leslie. Her parents were well known in the French colony, who gave her all the advantages of education this country has to offer.

After the death of her father, Mrs. Leslie went to New York. She met and married a man who had been a soldier in the war, and who was engaged in literary work when she met Mr. Leslie. Frank Leslie was her first husband, and she was married to him for many years. She was a woman of great energy and business ability, and she was one of the first women to be successful in the publishing business.

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## A Prince Who Is an Explorer.

The accompanying portrait is an excellent likeness of Prince Henri of Orléans, who recently won considerable fame as a traveler and explorer, and who returned to Paris a short time ago from a visit to the Kingdom of Abyssinia. Prince Henri is the eldest son of the Duc and Duchess de Chartres.



Prince Henri is a pleasant and very capable young man, 31 years of age. He is a sportsman, however, being very fond of hunting and fishing. With Prince Henri's trip around the world on a bicycle, Mr. J. Foster Fisher saw many curious sights. One of these were at the far western part of China. People of all ages and conditions were encountered. It was not, however, until he reached the Yunnan gate that he met the "biggest man in China," or at least that is what the inhabitants of that place call him. And he is a big man, as may be seen in the picture. Mr. Fisher is 5 feet 11 inches in height, but the Chinese giant is more than a foot taller.

Chang Yan, as the man is called, is about 25 years old and weighs about 400 pounds. He is 7 feet 4 inches tall. Before he was placed in charge of the Yunnan gate he was a soldier and he was said to have carried the load of a mule. He comes from a section of the country which few white people have visited and was taken to Yunnan by the mandarins, who made a soldier of him, and the wages of three soldiers and placed him in charge of the gate.

## CHANG YAN, CHINESE GIANT.



Chang Yan is a gentle and innocent as he is tall and powerful. The Chinese legend is that he is the son of a kind of giant who lives behind the mountains. He, however, says his father made him a soldier, and that his wife is only half his size.

## Queen Victoria's Imperial Crown.

The stones of Europe are many. Some are beautiful and all more or less costly. To England, however, the distinction of having the handsomest and most valuable. The regalia of England at the present time comprises some four or five crowns of various degrees of magnificence. The finest of these is the "Queen Victoria," or, to give it the full title and style, "The Imperial state crown of her majesty Queen Victoria."

## Christmas Presents.

The Christmas box, or Christmas gift, was formerly the beauty of well-dressed people willing to contribute something toward rewarding the industries and enjoying them with recreation. As time went on, however, the gift was demanded as a right. The practice of giving presents at Christmas is said to have been founded on the pagan custom of New Year's gifts, with which it is still blended.

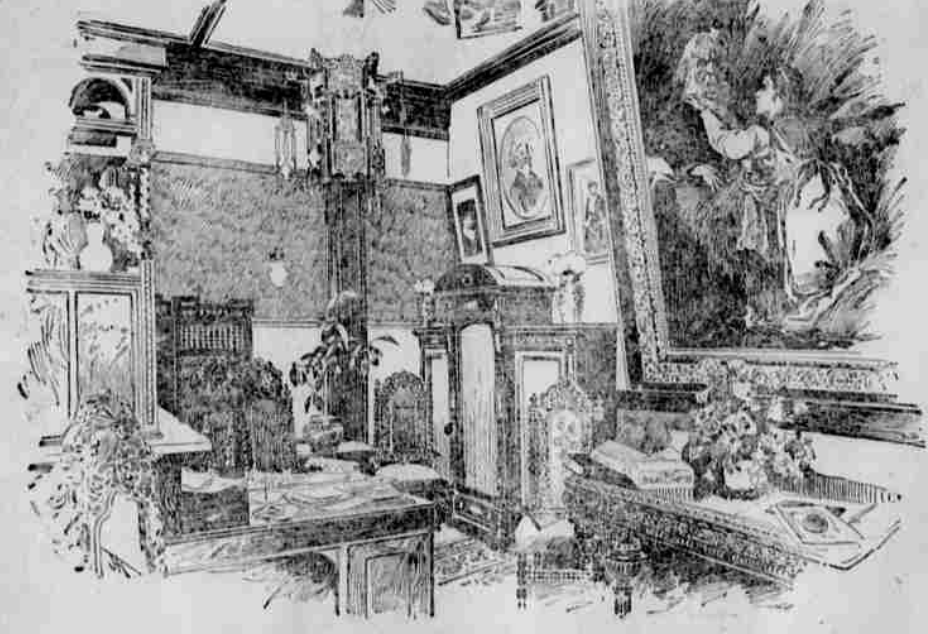
## This Launched A Battleship.



The accompanying illustration is of the silver knife used by Mrs. Leslie, in cutting the ribbon which launched the new Japanese battleship *Yamato* from the ways of the Yamaichi Iron Works and Shipbuilding company, at Yokohama, England, a short time ago. The knife was afterwards presented to Mrs. Leslie. It is a beautiful specimen of the craftsmanship of the Japanese. The handle is made of silver and is decorated with the Japanese coat of arms. The blade is made of silver and is also decorated with the Japanese coat of arms.

## Bermuda's Angelfish.

Among the most beautiful specimens in the New York aquarium are the angelfish. Like all the bright bodied members of the fishy tribe, they are native to warm waters and are found in large numbers about the coast of Bermuda. In one way nature has been particularly good to the angelfish in that she has given them a skin which changes as the fish swim and turns in the water from a pale yellow to a pale blue, and in some cases even to a pale red. In one way nature has been particularly good to the angelfish in that she has given them a skin which changes as the fish swim and turns in the water from a pale yellow to a pale blue, and in some cases even to a pale red. In one way nature has been particularly good to the angelfish in that she has given them a skin which changes as the fish swim and turns in the water from a pale yellow to a pale blue, and in some cases even to a pale red.



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## MEN OF THE WORLD.

Mr. Robert Mortimer, Aberdeen, a well known player of the bagpipes, has been appointed piper in the band of the 1st Battalion, The Buffs, in the city of London. He is a native of Aberdeen, and has been playing the bagpipes for many years.

## THE DECORATION OF THE IMPERIAL ANCHOR.

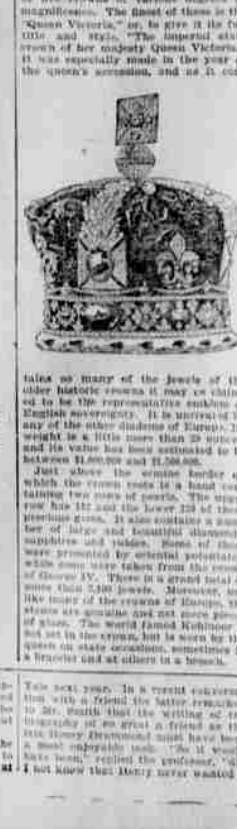
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### A CHRISTMAS RING

By R. K. MUNKITTRICK

The vagrant snowflake's meeting  
Around the Christmas tree,  
Where, recently was looking  
The robin out of gloom,  
The stocking's silly swaying  
Beside the mantel piece,  
The wild wind's long playing  
The old year's lullaby.

The purple monkey's prancing  
Along the yellow stick,  
The postboard negro's dancing  
Upon the double quick,  
The candy lion's yawning  
Among the pretty toys,  
And Christmas time is dawning  
With all its ancient joys.

On Christmas makes us think  
With little from head to toe,  
While merry sleigh bells jingle  
Across the sparkling snow,  
The laughing flame is smiling  
And crackling with a vim,  
And gaily o'er the ceiling  
Our shadows dance and skim.

Old Santa Claus is sending  
His sleigh across the air,  
The two will soon be landing  
With good things to eat and drink,  
And all our sorrows blending  
With merriment and glee,  
On plumes of rich pink padding  
We float to fairy land.

Hurrah for dear old Santa!  
Hurrah for Christmas time!  
From Akron to Atlanta,  
Our families bow in rhyme,  
While over our visions mark  
All turned to gold and green,  
Now drifts the luscious tucker  
On rosy wings serene.