

# JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS

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When I was just a little boy, about as big  
as that,  
Dad used to take me on his knee and  
kind of smile and pat  
My cheeks and tell me I must be, oh,  
very good, because  
Bad little boys don't ever get no gifts from  
Santa Claus.  
And then he'd say at Christmas good old  
Santa came with toys  
And filled up all the stockings of good  
little girls and boys.  
But I guess there is no Santa Claus, or  
else he's moved away,  
Because at Christmas dad looks sad, and  
once I heard him say:  
"It's money, money, money—it's a dollar  
here and there!"  
My goodness, mother, do you think that  
I'm a millionaire?"



Now, what I can't get through my head  
is this: If Santa Claus  
Gives all the gifts, then why does ma slam-  
bang the bureau draws  
Shut quick when I come in and say that  
little boys like me  
Must not go nosing round the house to  
see what they can see?  
And why does sister take such pains to  
lock her dresser doors?  
And why have they so many toys for  
sale in all the stores  
That's just like those that Santa Claus just  
loves to give away?  
And what makes dad just look so cross,  
and what is it makes him say:  
"It's money, money, money—it's a dollar  
here and there!"  
My goodness, mother, do you think that  
I'm a millionaire?"



## HOW ABOUT POOR LO' THE RED MAN?

He is of a Race Fast Passing  
Away, Becoming  
Extinct.

NOW TAKING HIS HISTORY.

So Grandchildren of Present Genera-  
tion May Read and Hear of  
Original "Americans."

Special Correspondence.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 15.—"Not  
only to preserve a record of the native  
peoples of our country but to place at  
the disposal of the general govern-  
ment information which will enable it  
to successfully deal with the Indian  
tribes, has been the object always be-  
fore the members of the bureau," said  
Prof. W. H. Holmes, chief of the bu-  
reau of American ethnology of the  
Smithsonian Institution, the other day.  
"These tribes are all that remain of  
one of the four great races of man,  
the former owners of the American  
continent and we are spurred on to  
renewed effort in our investigations by  
a realization of the fact that this peo-  
ple with all its racial characteristics  
and varied and interesting culture is  
passing away in a great measure un-  
recorded."

"NOW OR NEVER"

"Although there has been in recent  
years a very general awakening of in-

terest in the Indian, few realize the  
rapidity with which changes are tak-  
ing place or feel the imperative need  
of acting now. We believe it to be the  
duty of the national government to  
complete the record of this people for  
the benefit of science and history, so  
far as the fast vanishing remnants will  
permit. No other agency is equal to  
the task, and what is not done by the  
present generation of students must re-  
main forever incomplete.

### MOST IMPORTANT WORK.

"The work already accomplished by  
this bureau since its foundation is val-  
uable and important, and its researches  
if properly carried out, will form the  
greatest body of information regarding  
the history of man in the primitive  
stages of his development that the  
world can ever possess; for primitive  
conditions in all parts of the world are  
being rapidly swept away, even in the  
remotest regions, by encroachments of  
the advance guard of civilization. It is  
believed that the work now being done  
by the bureau, since it cannot be re-  
peated, must grow in value with the  
passing years, and few publications  
of the government will be so enduring  
and remain so long a valuable source  
of historical and scientific information  
as those embodying the results of our  
investigations."

### EARLIER INVESTIGATIONS.

The researches of the bureau are,  
however, not the first governmental in-  
vestigations among the Indians. As  
early as 1793 the secretary of war ap-  
pointed Leonard S. Shaw deputy agent  
to the Cherokee with instructions to  
study their language and home life and  
to collect materials for an Indian his-  
tory. Thomas Jefferson, in planning  
the Lewis and Clark expedition of 1804-  
05, instructed Lewis to make exten-  
sive investigations among the Indian  
tribes with which he came in contact.  
Jefferson and Albert Gallatin both pub-  
lished accounts of personal observa-  
tions. Rev. J. E. Morris in 1820 was  
commissioned by the president to as-  
certain for the use of the government  
the actual state of the Indian tribes of  
our country.

Over a half century ago the Smith-  
sonian Institution published as the  
first volume of its "Contributions to  
Knowledge," a work on the "Ancient  
Monuments of the Mississippi Valley,"  
by Squier and Davis, and up to the

time of founding of the bureau of eth-  
nology, the institution had issued many  
publications on ethnology and archae-  
ology.

Before the organization of the bu-  
reau, Congress had given substantial  
aid to the publication of Schouler's  
volcanic work on the Indians; and  
various representatives of the war de-  
partment had visited and reported on  
the tribes and monuments in various  
parts of the west. The Hayden survey  
of the territories has examined and  
described many of the cliff and pueblo  
dwellings and had published papers on  
the ethnology of the Mississippi val-  
ley. Maj. J. W. Powell, chief of the sur-  
vey of the Rocky mountain region, the  
first man to explore the Grand Canyon  
of the Colorado, had accomplished  
much among the tribes of the south-  
west and had commenced a series of  
publications known as "Contributions  
to North American Ethnology." It is  
observed, however, that these early stud-  
ies were generally disconnected, and it  
remained for the bureau to systemat-  
ize the work and to verify and round  
out the matter in such a way as to  
make it of real permanent value.

### MANY TRIBES, MANY TONGUES.

In 1789 Congress recognized the im-  
portance of investigations among the  
tribes by establishing the bureau, the  
operations of which were placed un-  
der the supervision of the Smithsonian  
Institution. Maj. Powell was selected  
by Prof. Baird, secretary of the insti-  
tution, to organize and conduct the  
bureau. The new director found before  
him a diversified field and began to  
classify the tribes and the various an-  
jects relating to them as a means of  
deciding just what part of the task  
should be undertaken by the govern-  
ment.

The vast extent of the work will be  
realized when it is stated that scat-  
tered over the country from the Atlantic  
to the Pacific and from the Gulf to the  
Arctic ocean, there are upwards  
of 300 tribes and tribal groups, speak-  
ing nearly that many languages as  
distinct from one another as the sev-  
eral tongues of Europe, and having  
tribal histories, habits, customs, re-  
ligion and social organizations, arts  
and industries as diversified as the  
peoples and the languages. The prob-  
lem was a complex and a difficult one.  
It was manifestly impossible to in-  
vestigate all of the tribes fully, and it was  
decided to select a few prominent ex-  
amples and make exclusive studies of  
these to stand as types for all, but  
this meant the devotion of the life of  
particular students to each tribe, for  
it is the work of a lifetime to  
learn a language and master all that  
pertains to the history, the traditions,  
the institutions and the life of a tribe.

### STUDY OF THE TRIBES.

For the more practical requirements  
of the government studies were made  
of the location, number, and condi-  
tion of the tribes, their relation to one  
another and to the whites, especially  
as represented by wars, treaties, and  
cessions of land that lost them a contin-  
ent. Other studies were undertaken  
with the view of aiding in the treat-  
ment of the tribes and in adjusting  
them to the conditions imposed by civi-  
lization. These include their social  
organizations, religious beliefs, physi-  
cal and mental characters and their  
capacity for education. Attention has  
been given also to their physiology,  
medical practices, sanitation, and oth-  
er matters relating to their material  
welfare.

### MITCHELL VERY ILL.

Roman Catholic Priest and a Phys-  
ician Are Summoned.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 20.—John  
Mitchell, president of the United Mine  
Workers of America, was taken seri-  
ously ill today while attending a joint  
conference of miners and coal opera-  
tors at the Claypool hotel. He was taken  
to a room complaining of pains in  
his side where recent operations for  
abscesses were performed. A Roman  
Catholic priest and a physician were  
summoned. The latter, after an ex-  
amination pronounced Mr. Mitchell in  
a serious, though not necessarily criti-  
cal condition.

### BRYAN WON'T VOLUNTEER

But if Drafted as Presidential Can-  
didate, Will Not Desert.

Kansas City, Dec. 20.—William J.  
Bryan, in this city today, when ques-

tioned as to Democratic presidential  
possibilities, particularly as to the  
probable candidacy of Gov. John A.  
Johnson of Minnesota, said in the  
course of an interview:  
"I know Gov. Johnson personally,  
but you must pardon me for not going  
into personalities. I could not discuss  
him or anybody else as a presidential  
possibility, and be quoted without being  
misunderstood."

"I shall not volunteer as a Demo-  
cratic presidential candidate, but if  
I am drafted I will not desert."  
Mr. Bryan, who is on a speech-  
making tour that will take him to  
Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, arrived here  
this morning from Lincoln, Neb., on his way  
to Wichita, where he is to speak to-  
night.

### TROOPS WILL BE WITH- DRAWN FROM GOLDFIELD.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—The  
president has directed that the U. S.  
troops at Goldfield be withdrawn Mon-  
day, Dec. 20, 1907.

### BASEBALL CONTRACTS.

New York, Dec. 20.—President Har-  
ry C. Pulliam of the National league  
today announced the following con-  
tracts and releases:  
Contracts with Chicago, Curt Elston,  
with Pittsburgh, S. Howard Camnitz.  
Released by Pittsburgh to Cleveland  
(American league) Harry Hinrichs;  
by St. Louis to St. Paul (American as-  
sociation), Justin T. Bennett.

### CHICAGO MILK TRUST.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—The prospect of  
indictments against several big deal-  
ers charged with forming a "milk  
trust" in Chicago, is being eagerly  
discussed about the grand jury rooms. It  
is possible that the jury may make its  
report tonight.  
William J. Rogers of New York, pres-  
ident of the \$25,000,000 Borden Con-  
densed Milk company, will, it is an-  
nounced, be called as a witness today.  
Mr. Rogers' arrival here has caused  
intense surprise. He voluntarily came  
from New York.

### RUSH FOR EUROPE OVER.

New York, Dec. 20.—Steamship agents  
say that the great rush of storage pas-  
sengers bound for Europe is practically  
over. But few tickets have been sold for  
the ships sailing next week.

### RULES FOR LIFE IN FLATS.

A remarkable clause is contained in  
the will of a wealthy landlord named  
Boernitz, who died last week. The  
testator bequeaths a large number of  
flats to his heirs on the condition that  
they do not let them to persons keep-  
ing servants or having children, dogs,  
cats, or birds. Tenants must not be  
engaged in light work which will  
cause them to return home while the  
other occupants are sleeping.  
One musical instrument is permitted  
in each flat, but no smokers may be  
placed on the window sills, and the  
tenants must sign an agreement to wear  
slipshoes indoors.—Daily Mail.

### A Square Deal for Immigrants.

It is to the credit of Immigration  
Commissioner Watchorn that he has set  
the machinery of the United States  
courts in motion to secure fair treat-  
ment of immigrants by the railroads  
which carry them to their destinations  
in their adopted country. It is highly  
discreditable to the railroads that he  
has had to appeal to the government  
against their oppression of these poor  
foreigners. Ignorant of this country's  
customs and their own rights. The  
testimony given before the special ex-  
aminer of the interstate commerce com-  
mission, showed that immigrants trav-  
eling on certain railroads were obliged  
to pay first class fare for second or  
third class accommodations, being  
transported in crowded cars, without  
adequate sanitary equipment, and be-  
ing obliged to make the journey on  
limited tickets, whereas first class tick-  
ets are unlimited. The excuse given by  
the roads, that the increased cost of  
operation made it necessary to withhold  
from immigrants the accommodations  
furnished to other passengers for the  
same money, is absurd; why should the  
burden of increased charges be placed  
upon one class of passengers, and that

the least able to afford it? Let us hope  
that Commissioner Watchorn's action  
will insure the immigrant a square deal  
from the very beginning of his life  
under the protection of American in-  
stitutions.—Leslie's Weekly.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

TODAY'S.  
W. C. Lehave Co. to Edward Simp-  
son lots 5 and 6, Oakland place. 4 318  
James H. Whyte and wife to Mrs.  
M. S. Houtz, part lot 2, block 6.  
Jacob H. Jensen and wife to Hyrum

A. Jensen, part section 2, township  
2 south, range 1 east. 200  
Jacob H. Jensen and wife to L. A.  
Jensen, part section 2, township 2  
south, 1 east. 200  
YESTERDAY'S.  
J. Parke Channing to the Salt  
Lake Copper Company, land in  
section 22, township 1 north, range  
1 west. 200  
John Wright to Clarence Mabey,  
part of lot 2, block 24, plat B. 204  
John Gordon to William H. Bishop,  
land in section 8, township 2  
south, range 1 east. 200  
Maud L. M. Davis to William H.  
Bishop, land in section 8, town-  
ship 2 south, range 1 east. 200

T. A. Newbold to S. H. Beckstead,  
land in section 22, township 2  
south, range 1 west. 200  
Joseph T. Hyde to William J. Webb,  
part of lot 2, block 13, plat A. 100  
William Green to James E. Green,  
part of lot 2, block 13, plat A. 100  
The Salt Lake City Land Company  
to L. Walters, lots 3 and 4, block  
2, Albert place. 200  
Mrs. W. E. Maddison to George H.  
Haddock, lot 14, block 1, Green &  
Middleton subdivision. 200  
Marion Whitely to Anna M. Mor-  
rison, lot 18, block 1, Potts sub-  
division. 200  
Zion's Savings Bank and Trust com-  
pany, to Preston T. Free, 2, plat  
of lot 6, block 2, plat B. 200

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