By Mary A. Roberts

, Parents and others who give toys And girls like to cut out things. to chi'dred at Christmas (or at any Educational cut-outs are innumerable, time) sometimes hold the belief that and very inexpensive. Give a little bracing effect. They are particularly any sort of a toy that will amuse a girl a furniture set and she soon good for nerves tired out for holiday usual Sunday school tree, and

a little wille. Unless these is some- dren's color perception. Enameled to the bag. This will help her to rething bad of that toy, something steel working looms are built like the duce. But, for mercy's sake, don't tell really worth while, it is a waste of big industrial tooms, with real treadle her, unless she is one of those rare the North Pole Gardens. money. It toy should always have and shifters, upon which a child can women who can laugh at her own two purpoles: first, to please and am- make miniature rugs, carpets and figure. use the child; second, to really bene-many other pretty articles, from the fit the child. This can easily be done, directions.

Refined sea salt may be bought at your druggist's. Color it with a little really benefits a little girl, first, be-children and is an excellent training shade, add a few drops of your

cause it pleases her to "iron just like for both hand and eye. Some of the friend's favorite perfume, and put the use the iren, how to properly dampen with their achievements. For the lit- all it needs is a gay ribbon bow to tell how to the starch. The child soon and shovel, and a big metal box to most expensive "boughten" article. learns to make her doll's dresses as work in and confine the sand to its Perhaps the water in your neighsmooth and nice as her own that proper place.

There are many mechanical appli- help mother, to learn how to "make will please any dainty woman. ances which will bring out all of a things," and awakens her imagination There's another kind of bag boy's constructive ingenuity, and to the possibilities of a hostess. Little strictly for Christmas, but bound to prove a source of great satisfaction bathrooms, enameled like tiles, have bring a smile to any woman with a and enjoyment to him. Metal con- tub, washstand, shower and the other bad complexion. It is made of a teastruction lets are marvles to a grow- essential appliances, and her play will spoonful each of bran and flaxseed, ing boy; with some of these sets he very easily lead a little girl into hy- and works on the principle of the oldcan build a thousand different struc- gienic habits. There are also laundry fashioned poultice. Moisten the bag tures, and as he puts them together sets, carpet sweepers, galvanized iron with boiling water, apply it to the he may be finding his career.

For gir's there never will be any- that Mother uses. thing to take the place of the doll. Toyland is full of the right kind of remove it and squeeze the matter How enthusiastic little Mother be- toys for every child—toys that keep gently out of the blackhead or pimple. comes in her new world, and she the active little people busy and their Pat cold water on, and if your skin quickly learns to make dolly's clothes, brains working, storing up knowledge is inclined to wrinkle finish by rubto care for her little bed, and a great against the years to come. Children bing in a little cold cream. This should many other domestic things which never forget things learned through only be done at night. would now interest her in any other play and parents can gain much by way. Toys can be Mother's co-taking advantage of this fact, a blessed one for all concerned. workers ...

SOME PRACTICAL **GIFTS**

Grandana's back gets tired when and one-fourth inches wide and four small safety pin to one end and inshe sits for any length of time in a and one-fourth inches long and sew serting it in the tube. You will also be the state of the same and one-fourth inches long and sew serting it in the tube. You will also the state of the same and one-fourth inches long and sew serting it in the tube. You will also the same and one-fourth inches long and sew serting it in the tube. hard-back chair. A long, soft pillow it on the bottom of the cretonne that find a safety pin convenient for run-

Where gas or electricity has not yet inches long for holding spools of lasten with snaps. Make a rosette of thread. Make about five pockets for the silk-covered cord to cover the Such faces and such cries! be secured at any merchandise store.
Use ribbon one inch wider than bolt and shirr both edges of it.
Tibbon over the bolt and tighten sides. Out out two pieces of sand-paper to fit the sides of the bolt.
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Hairpin Case.

A halpin case can be made very quickly and does not cost much. Use a strip of, linen about eight inches long and other necessary articles which inche surface in the same length. Run a narrow hem of all schee of the linen body. You can make a pocket for holding sky the net to the linen body. You can make a pocket for holding sky the net to the linen body. You can make a pocket for holding sky the net to the linen body. You can make a pocket for holding sky the net to the linen body. You can make a pocket for holding sky the net to the linen body. You can make a pocket for holding hair necks long and one inch wide, his posite down on two sides. Two strips in narrow ribbon twelve inches from the middle and one two inches from the middle dep on one hip, and high and weighling fraget deep on one hip,

Clothes hangers all padded with can always be used by the sewer for attractive circular cuff. sachet powder and then cover with comforting to a busy woman.

Christmas Giving.

that she should give her a hot-water

ing a shrewd business deal.

nocket, but of the heart.

s celebrated on January 18th.

which hey feel are entirely their own. poor kind of Christmas giving. So,

heavy cardboard each seven inches er's comfort, but that does not mean

Christmas is what it is, not because of home comings or abseries, joy or sorrow, riches or poterty, and this we must not forget. Christmas stands for more than private joy and individual blessedness. Long ago Male the hely feast of the One while birth among mon was to teach as the true way of loving and serving. If ever there be a time to look out from our chambers of desolation. If ever there be a time to transform them into gracious chambers of tenter thought for others, Christmay is the time. So shall we our own loceliness and so shill we help to heal the lonelison. Den't worry any more about those "last minute" gifts, for I can also tell you about gifts to make that one doesn't wear. They are useful and luxurious, but take little time and

less money—the new bath bags and salts, for example. Wouldn't your mas-tree scaled envelope to each best friend be delighted to receive member of a cartain Sunday school, some of these? rock or sea salt at the feed store. Dust adults' Bible chass: it off thoroughly. Put it in little bur-

Christmas and Your Smile.

Perk up the corners of your mouth. Let your smile match the holiday sea-

Den't worry any more about

lap bags six by two inches. Fringe their tops and tie a bow around their necks. If you use green or red ribbon you have a Christmas touch. These salt baths have a tonic and

learns to be careful with furniture. preparations. If your friend is stout, voted ever so much more fun. Almost my new toy will amuse—for Weaving sets quickly train chil- you might add a pinch of Epsom salts

your druggist's. Color it with a little the invitations, to be plunged into a A toy flatiron and ironing board Modeling appeals strongly to most current jelly to a beautiful carmine Mother shows her how to older boys and girls will surprise you whole mixture in a glass jar. Then how to fold for ironing, the ones, sand box sets have animals the world it's as entrancing as the

borhood is hard, and after a bath the Mother irens. And she never forgets Among household toys the list is skin feels dry and itchy. A soda bag how to ired; Result:-it proved to be almost limitless. A miniature sewing will overcome that. Just cut white machine forever holds a little girl's cheesecloth bags large enough to hold Or give a small boy a set of metal interest and makes a straight seam two tablespoonfuls of sequicarbonate. construction parts and ask him if he a beautiful accomplishment. The elec. Sounds big and imposing, doesn't it? can make a wheelbarrow. He sits tric iron that really irons dolly's But it's only little silky crystals that down and works over it until he puz-clothes is always wonderful, and a melt readily and soften the water, zles it out, and then you are as proud small cooking range with fairy cook- making your skin satin smooth. Half of him as he is of what he has made, ing utensils encourages daughter to a dozen bags packed in a pretty box

> refuse cans and almost everything else pimples or blackheads, and allow it to remain on for a few minutes. Then

To Supplement Your Christ-

mas List. A Braided Girdle-If you have a will need four pieces of cretonne seven few long scraps of silk, cut them in with his assistants attended to. and one-fourth inches wide and twelve and one-half inch strips; join them and one-fourth inches long to cover end to end. Fold through the centre the cardboard on both sides. Before lengthwise, and stitch along the edges, ing the early part there were a few flashlight and move it close to the putting the cretonne on the cardboard leaving a tube just large enough to jolly ice-breaking stunts. Ice breakers, sheet behind the animal that is to peryou can make the pockets and the accommodate thick cable cord. Turn you know, are needed at the North form, at the same time giving a runtabs: Take a piece of cretonne seven the tube right side out by pinning a Pole. Where gas or electricity has not yet

the bottom, or measure to fit any one corner to another will make two the more with Ebrary paste. Sew lady the hottom, or measure to fit any one corner to another will make two terms of sold the many distant points as possible. The to the group where made of sold the hottom, or measure to fit any one corner to another will make two terms SEA and Larranged themselves value and the nature of the gift were was graphically describing the Christ-Queen Victoria a very curious gift terms of hand a very curious gift to the giver, with the unlerstand-flamed two inches square will hold the edges. These girdles are worn a wigoling volungetor of sight a line that nothing should be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have inches square will hold the sould be some that she would have the same that she would have the sa several sizes of needles. It takes only draped deep on one hip, and high and

cotton and covered with silk ribbon marking hems and so forth. A pocket Evening Bag-If you have a round make fretty gifts. Either wire or Rut in for Mother's glasses would be mirror from an old pocketbook, cover wooder coat hangers can be used. Pad very handy. The book can be folded the back with silk. Gather a broad the holk with cotton rather heavily and put away when not in use and the ribbon to the edge, using the mirror and the rest of the hanger not quite knowledge that all the sewing uten- for the bottom of the bag. A draw as heavily. Sprinkle the cotton with sils are within easy reach is very ribbon at the top will complete a pretty little evening bag.

Vanity Case from a Square of Silk. -Just a ten-inch square of black gros-Making a present as payment for grain or moire silk makes a charming Children love to receive useful gifts a present that you have received is a purse or vanity case. Sew cut steel thich hev feel are entirely their own. Buy a pretty towel and embroider the child's initials on the end. This will be estecially pleasing. Small sized towels are not very costly and it takes only short time to embroider two initials.

Sewing Book.

A very practical gift for Mother or Sister, who has just been married is a sewing-book. - Cut two pieces of heavy cardboard each seven inches

A Mother to Her Baby. bottle or an electric toaster when she O Love that will not let me go!

wants silk stockings or an edition of I hold my baby in my arms, her favorite poet. Farthest of all from All radiant with a heavenly glowbeing generous is the person who And I am captive to her charms. gives presents that benefit herself. This gentle warder's tiny hands The manufacturer who distributes Gird my soul from day to day;

free samples cannot credit himself The weight of toil the world demands with philanthropy; he is merely mak- Pares with her smiles-away; The real Chrisin's generality As I hall her to an i fro, keeps both eyes on the happiness of I ask in grayer to be worthy of the recipient. The gift should be for . The Love that will not let me go! her alone, yet with it should go all the

kindliness of spirit of the giver. "The Here is a new sort of ofin's for the gift without the giver is bare." children at Christmas parties, and a Though the force of that line is blunt- healthy one, too. Take a dozen prunes, ed by familiarity, it sums up the great prick well, and stew gently and slowfact that true Christmas giving is a ly in one pint and a half of water. matter, not of hand or of mind or of Strain off carefully, seeing that not a fraction of goodness remains in the Christmas Day among Armenians prines, sweeten the liquor to taste,

THE CARDEN OF

This notice went in a little Christome of these?

Here's the way you make them: Buy partment to the oldest arguer in the

Visit the Garden of Christmas Trees Friday evening. December twenty-

The affair took the place of the A huge finger pointed from a tree

at the edge of the path toward the proper door, and the sign read: To On entering the door everyone was surprised, in spite of the promise of And perhaps, when you have seen

world of little cedar trees.

circles, all tiny, and fastened to board Upon closer examination each tree was found to be labeled with the name

of some Sunday school teacher-denoting her class. So everybody began to look around to locate his or her own class tree

in the garden. The gardener, in the person of the superintendent, dressed as Santa And these little wistful children wil Claus, invited everybody to inspect the garden. The fruit, he announced, would be picked later; for each tree bore such fruit as handkerchiefs, harmonicas, dominoes, dolls, etc.

In one corner was a group of trees array of tin cups.

Besides the class trees, there was moon. Popcorn Tree, which the gardener the lights in both rooms. The spec-

with a circl fastened to it to hang over the left side of the book, the back of any chair will be a wel; to make a pocket for holding odds and come get from a small member of the same side a cross strip the farely.

It on the bottom of the cretonne that mind a safety pin convenient for running the cable cord through the tube. Braid three of these silk-covered cords to see who could get to the goal and the race begun. The object was grotesque or humorous movements. Braid three of these silk-covered cords to see who could get to the goal and the race begun. The effect is better if heavy curtains together, making the braiding sufficiently long to go around a low waist.

Of course, the younger ones were bar-

narrow ribbon twelve inches the middle and one two inches from kerchief. Bind the raw edges, tack long salved on the end opposite from the bottom. Basting thread in black the two pieces together at one end plucket of cups and spoons, sand-pealed to the bidders, whether it was shoulders behind her customer's back. He wrote the following letter long saved on the end opposite from the bottom. Basting thread ir black the pocket does nicely for a hanger, and white and also spools of number the pocket does nicely for a hanger, and white and also spools of number the pocket does nicely from the church kitchen at orange blossoms, pine-needle basketry the neatest of all women. Blessings the pocket does nicely for a hanger, and white and also spools of number collar. The property of a washstand to find the neatest of all women. Blessings from Maine, or Cape Cod cranberries; of littly bows at top for a dainty land, a tape measure and a small control to find the counter from Maine, or Cape Cod cranberries; of the handkerchief large and, although most of the contribution. Ground pine stretched up and control to find the counter from Maine, or Cape Cod cranberries; and, although most of the contribution of the handkerchief large and a small control to find the seersucker at the heatest of all women. Blessings on her bonnie face, and be it ever both to room. Ground pine stretched up and control to find the counter from Maine, or Cape Cod cranberries; and, although most of the contribution of the handkerchief large and cup cakes. Hot cocoa was given to collar. If a circle is cut out of the neatest of all women. Blessings on her bonnie face, and be it ever both to room. Ground pine stretched up and control to find the counter from Maine, or Cape Cod cranberries; and although most of the contribution of the handkerchief large and cup cakes. Hot cocoa was given to collar. If a circle is cut out of the neatest of all women. Blessings on her bonnie face, and be it ever both to room. Ground pine stretched up and counter to find the counter from Maine, or Cape Cod cranberries; and although most of the contribution of t hand, a tape measure and a small centre of the handkerchief large reneil can be put in the big pocket, enough to sew to the bottom of the and small crayons in white or yellow sleeve, it will give you an unusually can always be used by the sewer for attractive circular cuff.

I'd like to put her behind the counter and, although most of the contributions bore close-to-home postmarks, to sweet upon herself. Wouldn't she be can always be used by the sewer for attractive circular cuff. The tin cups were filled up with eign" to make the bidding exciting.

Hosidan.

Maple Cream Fudge.

A program could be given instead

At the Toy Store Window There's a row of little faces every

night outside the store Where they never draw the curtains when the watchman locks the door. Eager, wistful little faces, looking at the heaps of toys That will bring a Merry Christmas to

a host of girls and boys. Every night they stand there watching, tattered children, in a row, Looking at the only Christmas that they possibly can know.

Look them over, Mr. Shopper, when you walk down town to-night, Thin and hungry little children, borrowing a brief delight

From the wonders of a Christmas a sweet pepper or red beet. which to them is just a dream, Just a swiftly passing vision of how happiness might seem.

Claus. They grew in groups and rows and For they sadly need somebody who knows how to plead their cause.

Santa Claus has swarms of children and bake two hours. Baste every on his Christmas calling list, But he'll add a few names to it if you

see him and insist. Help the old man out a little—he'll move string and skewers. Garnish flour mixed and sifted with salt and be glad to add your mite To the fund that he's investing in the spreading of delight.

he grateful all the year For their share, so long denied them of the blessed Christmas cheer.

Shadow Pictures That Move.

From good stiff paper—heavy labeled "Refreshment Trees." One tree wrapping paper will do-cut out anihad its branches loaded with sand- mal figures eight or ten inches long. wiches tied in wax paper; another Suspend a sheep in a doorway between was the cup-cake tree; a third bore two rooms; attach the animal figures a crop of spoons; a fourth a shining to the side of the sheet by which the operator is to stand, those that are Presently the gardener and his as- to move being bent or otherwise held sistants (the teachers), each wearing away from the sheet. The best way either a red paper sunbonnet or a is to sew to the sheet pieces of cork broad-brimmed farmer hat, began to about an inch in diameter and half harvest the Christmas-tree crop. The an inch thick, and attach the animals grown-ups and children sat down on to them by means of thumb tacks the floor and benches: and as the name through the centre of the body. of a tree was called off, the members Figures not intended to move should of the Sunday school who belonged to be pinned directly to the sheet—gay that class were allowed to flock about a bunch of grapes for the story of the their tree and pick off their own fox and the grapes, or the moon for the story of the dog that bays at the

Candy Tree, an Orange Tree, and a When the show is to begin turn off tators of course will be in front of the ning account of the animal's actions.

Tree.

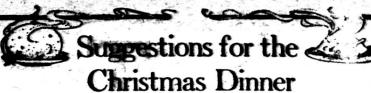
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nlate. Fruit Rolls

One cup prunes, ½ cup figs, ½ cup ing away, "I meant it, too." a few minutes, and then add the but- walnut meats, 1/2 cup shredded coa few minutes, and then add the out-ter. When the syrup spins a thread, coanut, I cup dates, 2 tablespoons went back to the others. "But I bespread on a buttered platter. Mark crange peel.

Run the cooked prunes, dates, figs, thought an old lady like that would be in squares when cool. When cold, nuts, and cocoanut through the food The old lady herself was smiling as break apart, and wrap each square in grinder. Add the orange juice and she went toward the elevator, but it peel. Roll into a long roll, cut in was a tender smile, for she really ercan, is to poon salt, I gup chep- slices, and wrap each one in waxed loved girls.





Oyster Soup Star Canapes Olives Apple Baskets Potatoes Cauliflower Yule-tide Salad

Christmas Pudding Bon Bons Nuts Toasted Crackers Roquefort Cheese Star Canapes.

Cut small circles from toasted bread. Butter the bread, spread outer edge of circle with parsley. Chop fine, spread the centre with cream cheese. Dispose in the centre a star cut out of

Roast Goose, Potato Stuffing.

Singe, remove pinfeathers, wash and scrub a goose in hot soapsuds; them, you will hunt up Santa then draw. Wash in cold water and wipe. Stuff, truss, sprinkle with salt and pepper and lay six thin strips of fat salt pork over breast. Place on cloves. fifteen minutes with fat in pan. Remove pork last half hour of cooking. Place on platter, cut strong and rewith apple baskets and water cress.

> Pare and chill six medium sized tomatoes. When ready to serve cut in eighths (not severing sections) and Serve with sauce as follows: open like the petals of a flower on a hot water, 2 tablespoons cornstarch,

Dressing.

per, 1/2 tablespoon finely chopped until ingredients are blended, then let parsley, 2 tablespoons vinegar, 4 simmer forty-five minutes. Add re-

finely chopped red pepper. Mix ingredients and stir until well blended. Apple Baskets.

Cut two pieces from each apple, leaving what remains in share of basket with handle after cutting out pulp. Chop pulp; there should be two cups. Put in a stew pan and add threefourths pound light brown sugar, juice and rind of one lemon, one ounce ginger root, a few grains salt, and enough water to prevent annles from burning. Cover and cook slowly four hours, add water as needed.

Christmas Pudding.

One cup beef suet, 1 cup raisins seeded and cut in pieces, 22-3 cups stale bread crumbs, % cup currants, 1 cup grated carrots, yokes of 4 eggs, 1-3 cup flour, 11-3 cup browned sugar, 11/2 teaspoon salt, grated rind of one lemon, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 tablespoon vinegar, 1/2 teaspoon grated nutmeg, whites of 4 eggs, 1/4 teaspoon

Work suet until creamy, then add rack in dripping pan, put in hot oven bread crumbs and carrots. Beat yolks of egg until light and add gradually while beating constantly sugar. Comspices. Add to mixture, then add whites of eggs beaten until stiff Turn into buttered mold, garnish with thin, strips of citron, steam 31/2 hours.

Sauce-1 cup brown sugar, 1-3 cup nest of lettuce leaves. Mash a cream 2 tablespoons cold water, 2 tablespoons of lettuce leaves. and make into tiny balls about the spoons sherry wine, 2 tablespoons butsize of a pea. Place eight cheese balls ter, 1/8 teaspoon salt, few grains nutin centre of each tomato. Serve with meg, ½ teaspoon vanilla. Bring sugar and water to boiling point and let simmer fifteen minutes. Add cold water to cornstarch and stir until Half teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon pep-smooth. Add gradually to syrup, stir tablespoons olive oil, 1 tablespoon maining ingredients and serve at once.



Two Ways to Kill a Cat. It was three days before Christmas. offer, and agreeing to accept the am-In many departments of Bolivar & mal. Clark's great store girls with tired | First, a huge supply of hay was deeyes were trying, usually with pa- livered, then an elephant trainer was ence, to serve the never-ending line of customers. In the gingham depart-ment, however, the clerks were having tion for the beast, and, finally, the ani-

an easy time. Few persons buy ging- mal itself appeared upon the scene. It be used. In this case, the youngsters can make useful and pretty match scratchers for presents to their elders or one another. A ribbon bolt can be secured at any merchandise store.

Use ribbon one inch wider than the local one inch wider the same about every joining.

A novel and amusing way of raising money for Christmas charity that at the spools, sewing a seam about every joining.

Bertha Collar—Any girl will like a deep bertha frill of lace or net. They was a very fine specimen, and, to the money for Christmas charity that at the same time gave to those who took part in it a pleasant Christmas enter-tainment was devised last season by sewed. On the cretonne which will response the autifully modelled on the scene. It was a very fine specimen, and, to the hams at Christmas time. The girls, was a very fine specimen, and, to the money for Christmas charity that at the same time gave to those who took strives.

A basket, of lettered slips was pass—tainment was devised last season by sewed. On the cretonne which will response the autifully modelled and and such collection.

So it happened that two words of the second of the strip to hold different the second one and one-half inches apart, or just the spools, sewing a seam about every like and one-half inches apart, or just the spools, sewing a seam about every like and one-half inches apart, or just the spools, sewing a seam about every like and one-half inches apart, or just the spools, and promoted the money for Christmas time. The stunts in which all could join hams at Christmas time. The sexual observer, it might have come the second one and one-half inches apart to hold different the spools, severy fine specimen, and the could join hams at Christmas time. The stunts in which all could join ha

a sweet one? She'd be fired at the

Just then the other woman stepped The great man did really give his up to the counter. She was a little, wife five pounds with which to buy white-haired, old lady, but there was the promised washstand, at which he, a twinkle in her eyes. She smiled into no doubt, washed quite as often as she Madge's sullen face with a warm-did. But that's a man all over. hearted friendliness.

"I hope you won't mind my saying it," she remarked, "but what pretty

Boil the sugar, cream, and she began to laugh, and the old lady tion of what they should give each sait together until soft balls laughed with her are formed when it is dropped "Of course, I'd have to give you ting a little preved.

her order was taken and she was turn- Brown, willingly enough. "Taffy!" Madge exclaimed as she me?" ter. When the syrup spins a thread, coanut, it is ter. When the syrup spins a thread, orange juice. I teaspoon grated lieve she did mean it. Anyway, it pour it over the nuts, which have been crange peel.

And the interested bystander who

All Was Not Lost.

One Christmas Eve a tradesman.

whose business had been doing hadiv. came home with a drawn face. "It's no Christmas this year." he said; "I have lost my all!" "All?" said his son. "You have

mother and us." "And God," said his daughter, alsoing him. She had just come from church, and had heard about Christ mas Day and "God with us.

CURIOUS CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Most of us receive white elephants at Christmas, minus trunks and tails, but Mark Twain, the American humorist, actually did receive an elephant one Yuletide.

Just before the festive season a great friend wrote and told him if he was willing to accept an elephant as a token of his regard, it would arrive

Whether Mark locked upon the whole thing as a joke or not one cannot say, but he answered the letter by return, thanking his friend for the

He Could Use It. girls you have at this counter! Old They had started quite amicably ladies love to see them, you know." discussing Christmas presents, but by For a moment Madge stared. Then, the time they came down to the quesother, Mr. and Mrs. Brown were cet-

in cold water. Then add the anything you want for that," she said. "A man should give his wife some nuts, and pour on a buttered "Of course," the old lady agreed, thing for Christmas that she wouldn't twinkling again, "I expected you to. buy for herself," asserted Mrs. Brown. But all the same," she added, when "That's my idea," agreed Mr. "Well, what are you going to get

The Little Sheep of Bethlehem.

The little sheep of Bethlehem Were not afraid that night. Tan swidenly the gentle sk

bright When swift their shoploods went away. And left them small and still. All huddled in a woods, hepp

Grew strange with song, also

Upon a lonely buil. peace was on the earth that Oh, very wide and deep. Perhaps they knew they need

not fear. These blessed little -toep!

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