

SLEEPY-TIME TALES
JIMMY RABBIT
ONCE MORE
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CHAPTER XLII.
Mr. Crow's Trick Gets Him Into Trouble.

Mr. Crow had just asked Mr. Rabbit what size slippers he wore. The old black scamp was not going to throw the slippers down to Mr. Rabbit out of the tree without having some fun with him first. Old Mr. Crow was a famous tease.

"I wear six and twelves," Mr. Rabbit replied.

Mr. Crow looked inside the slippers. The first one he examined was a No. 12; the second, a No. 6.

"These don't belong to you," he croaked.

"What?" cried Mr. Rabbit. "How's that?"

"They're twelves and sixes," said Mr. Crow. "And you said, 'Sixes and twelves.'" Then Mr. Crow thrust his feet inside the slippers. "They fit me



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perfectly, he exclaimed, in great glee, "except that one's a bit too tight and the other's a bit too loose." Then he bent his head over and looked at his feet. "There's something wrong about these slippers," he muttered. "They both turn off to the right."

"There's nothing wrong with them," Mr. Rabbit blustered. "That's the way I like my slippers. Each one is a 'left.'"

"Then they can't be right," retorted Mr. Crow. "They're wrong, just as I said." And he burst forth with a peal of jarring laughter.

Mr. Rabbit held his paws to his ears until it died away.

"Don't tease my husband!" Mrs. Rabbit chided the black rascal in the tree.

"Excuse me, ma'am!" Mr. Crow replied. "I wouldn't tease Mr. Rabbit not for worlds." And giving a sudden

kick, he sent the No. 12 slipper flying down. It struck Mr. Rabbit on the nose. And he howled with pain and surprise.

Then Mr. Crow kicked with his other foot. But the No. 6 slipper stuck tight. He kicked again and again and even pried at the slipper with his bill.

"It won't come off!" the old gentleman cried in alarm. "Help! Help!"

"You'll have to come down here on the ground," Mrs. Rabbit called to him. "We can't help you up there. We can't climb a tree, nor fly."

Old Mr. Crow floundered hurriedly down out of the slippery elm tree and joined the Rabbit family on the ground below. His voice shook. He trembled. There was a wild look in his eyes.

"It would be terrible," he said with a groan. "If I had to wear this ragged old slipper the rest of my days. Everybody would poke fun at me wherever I went."

"Pardon me," Mr. Rabbit retorted somewhat coldly. "I don't care to have you speak of my slipper in that slighting way. It's a good slipper. I've had it since I was a child."

"I'll pardon you," Mr. Crow told him. "And I'll thank you, too, if you will take hold of this slipper and pull on it as hard as you can."

Mr. Rabbit seized the slipper and pulled, while Mr. Crow held fast to a stout twig. But the slipper still stuck tight.

Then Mrs. Rabbit clutched her husband's coat-tails and tugged too.

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"Let me help!" cried little Jimmy Rabbit. And he caught up his mother's apron strings. Bracing his feet in the snow, he surged backward with all his might.

All at once the Rabbit family tumbled over one another in a heap. They were covered with snow as they scrambled to their feet. But Mr. Rabbit didn't mind a little accident like that. He waved the No. 6 slipper about his head and began to dance a jig.

"Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah!" he shouted.

"Oh, ah! Oh, ah! Oh, ah!" Mr. Crow wheezed, as he nursed his foot—the one which was at last freed from the No. 6 slipper. And then, without a word to the Rabbit family, he rose into the air and flapped away.

"He never thanked me, as he agreed," Mr. Rabbit grumbled as he watched Mr. Crow disappear among the treetops.

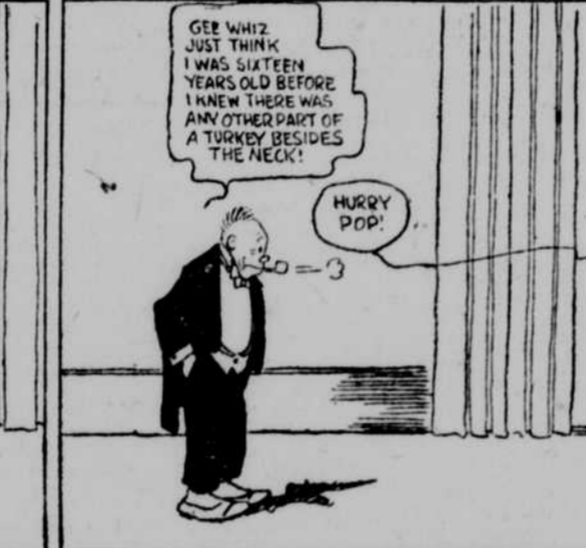
"Never mind!" said Mrs. Rabbit. "If there is any thanking to be done, you had better thank Jimmy. If it hadn't been for him you wouldn't have got your slipper back. It seems to me he has been the most helpful one of the family."

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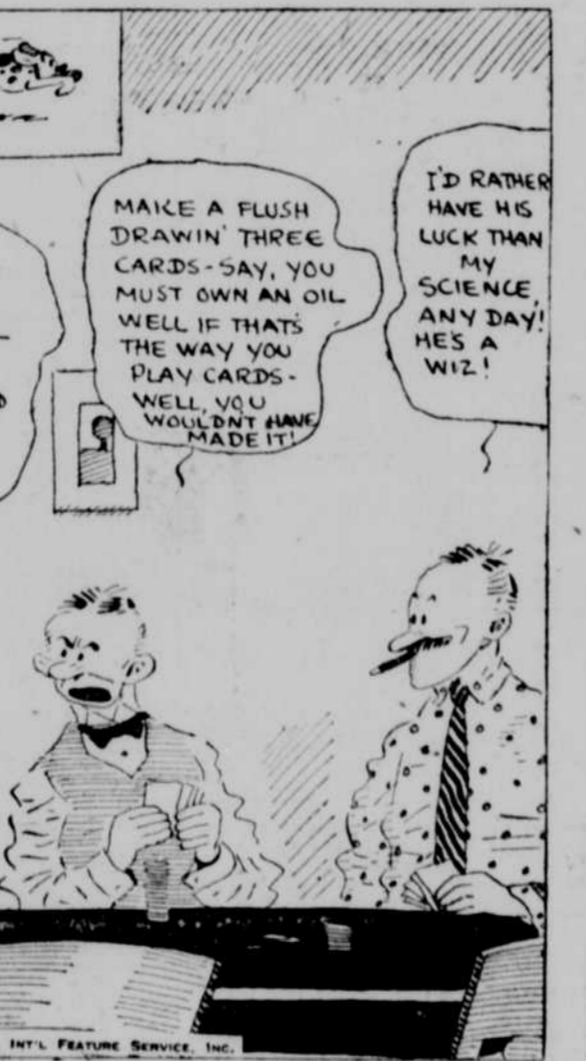
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EDDIE'S FRIENDS



Problems That Perplex

The Girl of Sense.
Dear Miss Fairfax: I would like to know if I, or the boys that I meet, are right. I am 18. I love dancing, but refuse to do the so-called "cake-eater" or "fiddle" dancing. I refuse to kiss every boy I meet. I will go out any place without telling my mother. I like to talk of everyday topics or of books, etc. My young men say I am old-fashioned.

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Valentino Plans Early Return to Movie Screen

Detroit, Feb. 11.—Rodolph Valentino's stage engagement in Detroit, which terminates Sunday, is expected to be the last before he returns to the screen, his manager, Harry Field, announced.

Uncle Sam Says

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Parents' Problems

Should children be allowed to have pennies, nickels, etc., when they ask for them? Children who have money given them whenever they ask for it cannot be expected to learn its value. It is better for them to have a regular allowance and not to exceed it, except of course, times like Christmas and birthdays, when they may receive small amounts for gifts.

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My Marriage Problems

The Promise Made Mrs. Durkee. "Hush!" I made the syllable imperative, and little Mrs. Durkee, with a frightened glance at the commuters near us, some of whom were looking at us curiously, obeyed me with a pitiful gulp.

her pretty purse. "And why do you wait for that train to go? You only make me nervous." "I won't wait so see it actually moving," I said. "I'll just go with you down the steps. I've got a family ticket with me, so I can get past the ticket-man, and when you're safely in the car I'll come back. I think we'd better get in the line now. I can see the crowd forming."

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