

Christmas Trees

Eco City News

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Little Folk's Your Garden Beautiful

THE NAUGHTY GOBLIN

By Bonnie

It was a dark and stormy night and the Goblins, both young and old, were out at play. For Goblins are not like Fairies, they like the night when it is dark and cloudy. They held council together, and decided they must have a little girl in their home to wash the dishes, keep it clean and mend their little clothes.

"There is a jolly little girl down at the Farm," said Hop Goblin. "Oh, she's too good for us!" she would not come, and besides if she did, she would only run home again—so she won't do."

Now Eileen lived with her parents in a small cottage near the woods. Her father was a woodcutter and always went to work early in the morning, and each morning Eileen's mother walked to the edge of the woods with him. The Goblins knew this and they all hoped Eileen's mother would forget to kiss her baby before leaving, as they all knew the mother story, why the mother of any baby kissing her baby before leaving it for a short time, no Goblin could take it away.

Early the next morning, all the Goblins met at a certain place and watched the woodman leave for his work, and to their joy, the mother did not kiss Eileen, for as she looked at her in her cradle, lying peacefully sleeping she thought no harm could come to her in so short a time. As soon as she had left, ran the little Goblins, twelve of them and lifting Eileen out of the cradle, they carried her to their home.

"Oh, what a beauty she is," cried Slim as they fussed over her. "Put all the scissors away!"

When Eileen's mother returned and found the cradle empty, she was so bewildered she could not think what to do. She hunted through the whole house, all in vain. She sat down and cried and cried.

Suddenly she had an idea, she dried her tears and hung her broom out the front door, and called to all who saw it, "Help wanted from the wood witch."

The wise old woman passed by the next morning and seeing the broom, knocked at the door and walked in. "Oh, my baby gone," cried the poor mother. "I am afraid the Goblins have taken her. Oh, why did I forget to kiss her before I went out? Tell me wise woman, how can I find her again? Tell me and I will give you all I have."

"I am sorry for you but I cannot tell you where to find her, if the Goblins have taken her and no one else can find her because no one else knows where they live. But I will give you this comfort, just as soon as her hair is cut, she will find her way home again." So it is no wonder the Goblins said, "Put the scissors away."

Six years passed and Eileen was so happy with the Goblins, they were so very good to her for they loved her better than anything on earth. One day they all had to go to the Goblin's market to renew their little green suits. When they had been gone some time, Eileen became very lonely and wandered away some distance where she came to a village. There she saw other little girls, for the first time. They all looked so strange to her for every one of them had bobbed hair. Eileen's hair was very long and hung in fair curls down her back, so she went to the door of one cottage and asked, "How do you cut curls off?"

"Why, with scissors," said the old man that came to the door. She went on farther and at the next cottage borrowed a pair of scissors and snip, snip, snip, and all her lovely curls lay on the ground. Alas, she had been away from home all these years she walked right back to her mother's house. Oh! How delighted her mother was to find her! She cut her hair and she was very sad to find her gone and she had found a pair of scissors and cut her hair off and so found her way home to her mother.

Florence and Wanda Minton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Minton, of Oakland avenue, returned to their home Sunday from Holly, where they spent a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kamin, of Vinewood avenue, spent last week-end as guests of Mrs. Hugo Smith, of Conroy.

Morris Peterson, a student at the Normal in Ypsilanti returned to his home on Ruffner avenue, today for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Barber, of Emmons avenue, were as their houseguests, Miss Esther, of Royal Oak. Mrs. Barber has been confined to the house for several days with the grippe.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Haden, of Emmons avenue entertained Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCarthy and their family for dinner. The Haden's, with their small son, will spend Christmas with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Salviann, of Mayston, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bissio, of Emmons Ave., were among the guests after a family dinner on Christmas evening by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Chamberlain at their home in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Irish and family will be among the out of town guests at a family dinner on Christmas at the home of Mrs. Irish's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Irish, of Emmons avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gill, of Emmons avenue will entertain Mr. and Mrs. A. Quine and New Years, Mrs. A. Quine and son, of Ishpeming, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Bolman daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Bolman died heart trouble at her parents home Thursday, December 13 and was buried on Saturday at Greenliff, Michigan.

C. Reid, formerly of Chicago, after a brief visit in Eco decided to remain here permanently and will make the guest of Mr. Westfall's brother Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Shumard, of Bird avenue.

During the growing season of the year a great deal of attention is given to flowers, both annual and perennial, and the flowering shrubs and trees. During the winter months the evergreen plantings stand out in contrast to the gray effects of shrub and tree plantings.

At this time of the year it may be timely to point out several of the more desirable varieties of evergreens. In this article we will discuss the taller varieties which will be found most suitable for background and specimen planting.

Norway Spruce.—This evergreen is an example of the dark green color so often found in evergreens. It is characterized by short, dark green needles. Its striking growing habit recommends it for a background.

Douglas Spruce or Douglas Fir.—An upright growing evergreen, quite as stiff as the Norway Spruce, and having a glaucous tint. It is a native of this country and one of the best of the taller varieties for specimen planting.

White Spruce.—This evergreen includes a number of associated varieties including Black Hills Spruce. Its mother has a bluish tinge. Habit of growth is compact, tending to be upright. Very good for specimen planting.

Colorado Blue Spruce.—When grown from seed this evergreen may vary from a bright green, to some individuals, plants to a light blue in color. A slow growing evergreen of very symmetrical growth. Koster Blue Spruce is one of its horticultural varieties. Blue Spruce is used largely in specimen planting, but should be used sparingly because of its bright color.

It has soft foliage, which may readily be sheared or trimmed. Silver Fir.—A symmetrical evergreen of soft, bluish green needles. It is a deep rooted variety, requiring care in transplanting. During its younger years it is slow growing, but later in life grows nearly a foot a year.

Red Pine.—Needles are much longer than the Scotch Pine and dark green in color. Fast grower. White Pine.—Long needles of grayish green color, and of soft texture. Popular for backgrounds. These are some of the popular tall growing evergreens. While there are literally hundreds of species of evergreens only a comparatively few of them are used in landscape effects. In the next article will be enumerated some of the lower growing varieties suitable for planting in the foreground.



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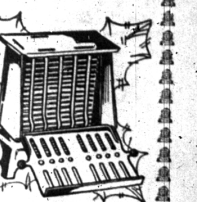
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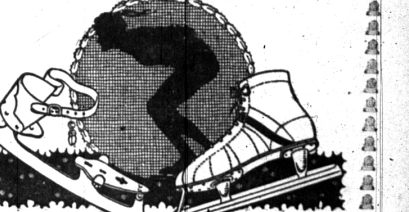


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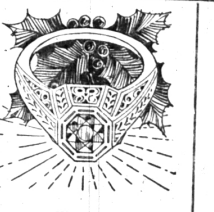


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and each day thereafter excepting Saturday, January 5, 1924, (Sundays excepted). On Saturday, January 5, 1924, the Township Treasurer will be at the American Savings Bank, Pontiac, Mich., to receive taxes, for this one day only.

One per cent will be charged up to and including January 12, 1924, after which a penalty of four per cent will be collected.

Statements of taxes will be sent upon request. People wishing to pay for Adams Road Paving in full, may do so, as the amount is small.

No cash taken any day after 4:00 P. M., and all who can should pay by check.

(Signed) Mabel A. Smith, Bloomfield Township Treasurer

Your Show Windows

THE PURPOSE of the show-window is to attract new customers and make the business grow. A well-lighted window calls out to the passers-by to stop, look, and be favorably impressed.

A dry goods store reports a test in which it was found, by actual count, that the number of passers-by stopped by its show-windows increased from 34 per cent to 65 per cent when better lighting was put in. The effect on sales was equally gratifying.

Are your windows profitably lighted? Or, are potential customers walking indifferently past and stopping at the better illuminated display of a competitor? Have one of our illuminating engineers inspect your lighting. No charge for this service.

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