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Snap-shots by Santa Claus

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"I don't see," said Santa Claus, as he took one last look around before climbing into the waiting sleigh, "why I shouldn't take my camera with me!" So he picked it up and set it on the seat beside him.

Swish! — and away they went, though not quite as fast as usual, since Dunder and Blitzen were lame, and Prancer was not feeling well.

You already know what the genial old gentleman did in the present-giving way; I mean to tell you only about a few of the pictures he took. He spoiled a good many, for they were all taken by flash-light and in a hurry. But he did get one fine view of a village church near where a favourite little boy and his two sisters lived — and also a picture of their stockings hanging from the holly-covered mantel.



At another house, one little girl woke up just as Santa Claus snapped his picture. But she decided next morning that it had only been a dream, so Santa Claus didn't mind having been seen.

A picture of some snowy chimneys, showing his path to and from the flue, and another of the tired reindeer team, also turned out well. But a very timid little girl, and a cross black cat who snarled at Santa Claus, were both frightened by the flash, and so spoiled their pictures.

Santa Claus took plenty of other pictures, but he doesn't care to show any but these. He says it is great fun to take pictures on Christmas Eve.

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