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HE IS STEALING THE CHILDREN AND GOBBLING THEM UP IN PIES!

THEY CALL HIM THE KLAUBAUF*. PLEASE, YOUR GRACE! YOU MUST HELP US!

YES, I SAW AS MUCH IN MY DREAM. THAT IS WHY I CAME TO YOUR VILLAGE.

NEVER WORRY. I'LL PUT AN END TO THIS.

*FROM *KLAUBEN*, TO GATHER UP.

HO THERE, DEVIL!

GOOD EVENING, SAINT OF GOD. WHERE ARE YOU HEADED?

The Klaubauf's Wager

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NO PLACE IN PARTICULAR. I FIND MYSELF CONTENT WHEREVER I AM.

PFAH! YOU ARE A BORING OLD MAN!

OH, NOT SO BORING AS YOU MIGHT SUPPOSE.

INDEED? THEN HOW ABOUT A LITTLE WAGER?

Tio de Nadal

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"THE FIRST CHRISTMAS. AT THIS HOLIEST OF MOMENTS, THERE WAS OUR LORD...

"ANGELS...

"SHEPHERDS...

"... AND ME.

"EVEN AT THE MOST IMPORTANT MOMENTS, THERE ARE SOME THINGS YOU CAN'T AVOID.

"THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THE CHRIST CHILD DID NOT SEEM OFFENDED BY MY LITTLE EMERGENCY.

"IN FACT, HE SEEMED DELIGHTED.

KRAMPUSNACHT

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EVER SINCE HE WAS A LITTLE CHILD, ANDREAS MÜLLER HAS BEEN AFRAID OF THE KRAMPUS, THE DARK COMPANION OF ST NICHOLAS.

THE HAIRY GOAT-MAN WHO WHIPS NAUGHTY CHILDREN AND CARRIES THEM OFF TO HELL IN A BASKET ON HIS BACK.

EVEN AS HE GREW OLDER AND LEARNED THE WAYS OF RATIONAL THOUGHT, NEVERTHELESS A PART OF HIM STILL FEARED THIS WILD MAN OF THE WOODS WHO SEEKS TO PUNISH THE WICKED.

AND SO IT WAS WITH SOME RELIEF THAT ANDREAS MÜLLER LEARNED THAT THE KRAMPUS HAD BEEN OUTLAWED IN AUSTRIA BY ENGELBERT DOLLFUSS, THE FASCIST LEADER OF THE VATERLÄNDISCHE FRONT, IN 1934.

VERBOTEN

AND WHEN THE NAZIS CONTINUED THIS POLICY FOLLOWING THEIR ANNEXATION OF AUSTRIA IN 1938, THAT ALONE WAS NEARLY ENOUGH TO CONVINCE THE YOUNG ANDREAS TO JOIN THEIR RANKS.

NO SUCH DEMON CREATURE WOULD EVER DARE SET FOOT OR HOOF WITHIN THE CONFINES OF THE THOUSAND-YEAR REICH.

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THE BAKER'S DOZEN

ALL RIGHT, CHILDREN! EASY NOW!

ONLY ONE COOKIE PER CHILD, PLEASE!

YES, THAT'S RIGHT. ONE CHILD, ONE COIN, ONE COOKIE. THE WAY OF THE WORLD.

HAPPY SINTERKLAAS, CHILDREN!

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WELCOME TO KINGSPORT, YULETIDE CAPITAL OF NEW ENGLAND.

There is snow on the ground,
And the valleys are cold,
And a midnight profound
Blackly squats o'er the wold;
But a light on the hilltops
half-seen hints of feastings
unhallow'd and old.

H.P. Lovecraft,
"Festival"