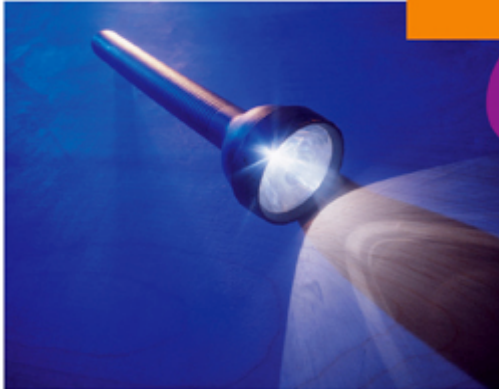


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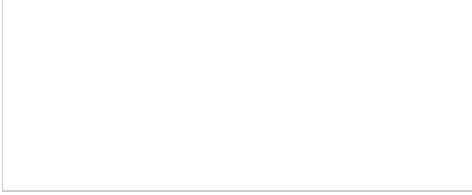
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*all through the house,
A creature was stirring, at least the size of
a mouse;
Out in the living room there arose such a
clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the
matter;
Away to the bay window I flew like a flash,
I tore out my own hair and yelled " It's
eaten the sash!"
Down from the chimney it came with hop
and a bound,
Damn thing only weighed a couple of
pounds.
He was covered in all fur from his head to
his paw,
Used those incisors just like a saw.
A twist of his head and wink of his eye,
This son of a rodent, had to die.
I cleaned up the mulch and the rest of his
crap,
Now it was time to set me a trap.
Long story short, caught him at last,
Screened off the flue, should have been
done in the past.
I released the critter back into to the wild,
He ran at first, then turned back and
smiled.
Not a word spoke, but he seemed to say,
"Leave the door open next time, I'll be back
Christmas day."*

*An experience that one Rockford realtor
would rather forget. Not only will chimney
screens keep the squirrels and other critters
out, they will keep the flue clear so that
nothing interferes with releasing poisonous
gas to the outside rather than in the house.
They also serve as a spark arrestor when
burning wood in your fireplace.
Have a safe and happy Holiday and keep the
door closed.*

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