## Percy, The Puny Poinsettia by Elmo Shropshire and Patsy Trigg

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Holiday shoppers would stop by the counter And pick up a plant to take home Until one by one all his friends were adopted And Percy was left all alone

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Then into the store on the night before Christmas Came a poor little girl who was cryin' But when she saw Percy her eyes opened wide And she said "Can I please make him mine?"

Now Percy the puny poinsettia Is standing beside Mr. Tree His leaves have never been redda, He's as proud as a flower can be

Somebody made him feel betta, Rescued him off of the shelf Even a plant with no uncle or aunt Shouldn't spend Christmas Day by himself



