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Children's Department.

OME, little people, one and all,— Chubby, slender, short and tall,-Here are dainty Christmas rhymes, All rung in with Church Bell chimes. Come and peep, black eyes and blue; Come and peep, dear gray eyes, too; Come, you brown eyes, take your er than Roy.) share,-

Rhymes are plenty and to spare, Merry Christmas to you, dears, For a host of happy years.

KATIE'S WANTS.

Me want Christmas tree, Yes, me do! Want an orange on it, Lots of candy, too. Want some new dishes. Want a red pail, Want a rocking-horse, With a very long tail! Want a little watch, That says "tick, tick!" Want a newer dolly, 'Cause Victoria's sick. Want so many things, Don't know what to do; Want a little sister, Little brother, too. Won't you buy 'em, mamma? Tell me why you won't! Want to go to bed! No, me don't!

CHILDREN'S CHURCH.

The church bells for service are ringing, The parents gone forth on their way, And here on the door-step are sitting Three golden-haired children at play.

The darlings, untiring and restless, Are still for the service too small; But yet they would fain be as pious As parents and uncles snd all.

So each from a hymn-book is singing— 'Tis held upside down it is true; Their sweet roguish voices are ringing As if every number they knew.

But what they are singing they know no Each sings in a different tone. Sing on little children: your voices

For yander your angels are standing, Who sing to the Father of all: He loves best the sound of his praises From children, though ever so small,

Sing on! How the birds in the garden Are vying with you in your song, A a hopping among the young branches, They twitter on all the day long.

Sing on! For in faith ye are singing, And that is enough in God's sight: A heart like a dove's, pure and guileless Wings early to heaven its flight.

Of Jesus, the Babe in the manger, Of Jesus, the Life, Truth and the Way Of Jesus, our Saviour from danger, We sing on His own natal day!

THE SNOW-BIRD'S CHRIST-MAS TREE.

We were as happy as we could is my littlest brother. He has love-you?

ly brown hair, and it's banged in front and hangs way down behind Mamma says he is the pet of the house, or that Lulu and he are the pets of the house. For Lulu looks very much like Roy, and has the same kind of lovely hair, and it's banged in front and long behind, just like Roy's. Only Lulu is old-

Well, when Roy pointed to the window that moring, he called out: "See! See! they want a Kismas And we all looked tee, too!" around, and-what do you think? There on the window-sill were four lovely little snowbirds, looking in at our tree! And they would peck, peck, at the pane, as if they wanted us to open the window.

"Let 'em in! Let 'em in!" shout-

yard. And we opened the window and called "Birdie! Birdie!" again and again, and tried every way we stand the open the continuing to sell the public for cash instead of continuing to sell to retail dealers on the credit system. just then it began to snow real hard and the little birds flew down knew to get them to come in. But hard, and the little birds flew down credit

give it to them there in the evergreen."

And then Lulu got Mamma to cut off a little bough from our Christmas-tree, and she stood it up in a paper box, and packed the box so that the bough would stand up all by itself. And then she hung the little tree all over with breadcrumbs, and, the first thing we stewart Dawson & Co. do not expect or solicit fattery or any gratitude for their exertions in knew, there it was a perfect little placing within the reach of their Canadian cusknew, there it was, a perfect little Snowbirds' Christmas-tree!

Then Lulu and Roy put on their pretty, new red caps, and their warm coats, and the took that little Christmas-tree out in the yard, and up to the evergreen where the birds were, and they pushed the limbs away, and set the little box and the little tree in a corner of the evergreen, where it stood upstraight And-if you'll believe it-those birds never flew away at all, but looked just as if they expected it all along! And Lulu and Roy went a few steps away and turned around and stood perfectly still, and in a minute all four of those little birds flew down and helped themselves from their pretty little Christmas tree, and were just VES, the snow-birds had a Christ- as happy over it as we were over Y mas-tree at our home last year ours. Lulu and Roy stood out -a real tree, just big enough for there in the snow and watched the dear little things. I'll tell you them ever so long. And we could see them from the window, too.

And we hope the same little be around our own beautiful tree, birds will come back this year, and when all at once Roy gave a shout, if they do, we're going to give them and pointed to the window. (Roy another Christmas-tree. Would'nt

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to a little, low evergreen, and away into the centre of it, where the snow couldn't fall on them.

But the best thing is to come yet. Lulu thought of it. Just when we said the poor little birds would have a real dull Christmas-day, Lulu shouted out: "Oh, I know! We'll make them a Christmas-tree of their own, and take it out and give it to them there in the ever-

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