

Children's Corner.

About the Play.

On Monday night the Canadian girls had a play, and they invited the town people to it, and they had the play in the schoolroom and it was very nice indeed and the first thing they had was music. And on the platform they put a sky up and the colour was white and blue, and they put a card-board for the mountain and they cutted the shape of a mountain and they drew some water running down and there was an armour on the platform in the castle and they all had lanterns and they were looking for gosses and they were walking around for gosses and they could not find any at all.

There was an old man he had a stick in his hand, it was Gaspered he was a miser and he sat down on the chair and pored out his bag of gold on the table, and he said oh my gold, my darling gold, and he shook a sheet out of the window and pretended that it was a ghost and scared all the people because he didnt want any body to come in his house because he was afraid that they would steal his gold and some boys came in with lantern in their hands looking for ghost and they saw this man poring the money out of the bag, and he heard the bell and then he began to put it back and his hands were so shaky and lots of the gold dropped on the floor.

LISA (aged 9) and GINA (aged 11).

A Winter Party.

It was on the 14th of February, in the playing fields. That is a lovely place for coasting. We had 6 sleighs between us, two large ones, and four small ones. We built a large bon-fire in the centre of the playing fields and had our party late in the evening. The light was very bright from the fire so that it lighted almost the whole field. People who are very strong and don't mind being bumped about enjoy coasting thoroughly, but I cannot say about those who like smooth steady rides, for it is very bumpy in the playing fields, just at first it is smooth and delightful, then you get tossed up like a ball, and the snow flies in your face, but that is where all the fun comes in. You try to stick to the sleigh but it is hardly of any use. Sometimes too the steerer makes a mistake and the sleigh tumbles over on one side knocking everyone into the snow but here again laughter comes out, whatever your mood is, to see such funny scenes before you.

Whenever we got cold we would run to the fire and in a few seconds would be warm again and ready for more fun.