

room, and also a number of little candles peeped out here and there from the Christmas tree, making it look quite brilliant. Christmas mottoes decorated the walls, and when the children marched in, nicely dressed in their Sunday best, a more pleasant room or a happier-looking group of children would have been hard to find. After a short entertainment of about an hour in length, the distribution of the presents took place; and, as the tree was robbed of its beauty, each child seemed too much absorbed in admiration of his own possession to care. Every child went to bed apparently happy after his day of enjoyment. Now we have all kinds of music; in fact, we are a very musical family.

I am sure the friends who contributed towards our Christmas tree will feel repaid in knowing of the pleasure it afforded these children.

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Day before yesterday, December 21st, was a red-letter day for the school children. When the goods came I laid aside a large supply of the beautiful, the comic, and the useful, for a Christmas tree. We thought it best to encourage the children to attend school; so the Christmas gifts were for the school. Perhaps the careless may gain inspiration for the future.

Wednesday evening the large evergreen was put in place and loaded ready for the morrow. It was curtained off to await the close of school on Thursday. The agent had sent rice, apples and syrup. These I cooked and mixed ready for use. Thursday at noon I took over a large preserve kettle full, to the delight of the children. The Chief enjoyed it with them. He seemed