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**Prepare for Christmas.**

As the shop windows are already gay with Christmas goods, and our homes are beginning to get that spicy odor which comes from the preparation of mince meat; and as even little fingers are pressed into the service of raising in stoning; as through the open kitchen door one may catch glimpses of something brown and toothsome, accompanied by whiffs of the above-mentioned odor, I take it it is not too soon to have a little chat as to how to make a fitting climax to all these delicious anticipations. If there are children in the house it is all the more necessary that after so much preparation, Christmas day itself should not fall flat. It is imperative that the children's holiday *par excellence* should have thrown about it all the glamor that the imagination can conjure—that it should be rescued from a mere feast day, when they may indulge to excess in "good cheer" without censure, and raised to the plane of emotional exaltation and aesthetic enjoyment; in a word, spiritualized.

In this blessed land, where one may have a spruce, pine or fir tree for the taking, there are many children who have never seen a genuine Christmas tree; others there are who have only seen one in a church. Glorious as that one was, it will not compare in mystery and fairy-like radiance with that tree which fills the farthest and darkest corner of the parlor. That tree which has been smuggled in after the totts were asleep, and whose wax candles have all mysteriously come alight at the darkest hour before dawn, and they themselves have as mysteriously awakened just at the right moment. What excited patter of little bare feet! What suppressed screams of delight! (for Santa Claus cannot have got very far away, and they stand in a delicious, thrilling awe of him.) But bolder grown with familiarity, they make brilliant guesses as to whom each dazzling toy, just hanging out of reach, belongs. It is not difficult for Bertha to guess for whom is that seductive doll; nor does Johnny beat about the bush in laying claim to that enchanting train of cars. Of course the climbing monkey is for baby, and the skates for big brother, while that linen picture book is for little sister. Jubilantly the half dozen trot off to bed, each hugging a bulging, knobby stocking whose contents must be investigated before such prosy work as dressing and breakfasting is thought of.

Nothing repays the small amount of trouble and expense necessary to dress it as a tree. Those who habitually have one had it convenient to keep a green baize covered three inch block of wood with a hole in the centre in which to stand the tree. This, with a tack in each wall (supporting the tree to stand in a corner), to which a piece of twine may be attached, will support it firmly. Five cents' worth of tissue paper of different colors may be cut up into little squares fringed at the ends and caudies tied into them to hang like fruit upon this queer tree whose fruit is so varied. Apples and oranges may easily be suspended from the stronger branches by burying the twine in the rind or tying to the stem, and if more elaborate trimming is wished, buy a dozen packages of pop corn (only one cent a package) and string the corn alternately with canberries. Long strings of this look very gay festooned about the tree. The cheapest toy has an added glory when seen disporting itself among the branches of such a tree. Then of course there are the candles. A dozen will go a long way towards lighting the tree. A good way to make the candles stand firmly in their little tin sockets is to heat the socket, then place the candle in it. This of course melts the wax a little, causing it to adhere when hard again. Some patience is required to fasten the candles on the tree, as they have a provoking tendency to lean out of the perpendicular, and so drip when lighted, on to carpet or book or anything lying beneath them. However, the wax is not very injurious to anything but plush or velvet, or the cover of a book, and may be removed when hard without leaving a trace.

Though it is three weeks before Christmas, I do not think it too early to begin to settle the question: "To tree or not to tree" (apologies to Shakspere), especially to those who have never had one before; and it is that they may begin this very Xmas with this beautiful German custom that I have written thus early about it. I knew two little girls of five and seven years, who had been told in jest that there would "be no tree this year," who set out armed with a pen knife, and travelling through snow above their knees they at last discovered their tree and proceeded to cut it down. When they found how inadequate their knife was, they returned home for the carving knife and nothing daunted set forth again. Standing to the waist in snow they backed till approaching night and a most discouraging refusal on the part of the tree to "unbend" its haughty head caused them to abandon their task for that night, determined, however, to return "to-morrow" and tackle it again. Such pluck was, of course, rewarded, and they did not have to go "to-morrow" to get their tree. **Dot.**

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