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(From Canada's Health News) Dr. Hibbert W. Hill, D.P.H., former head of the Institute of Public Health and Professor of Preventive Medicine be kept in bed for at least 6 week's. If it goes from us with God's own touch in Western University, has turned farmer. He is living on his son's ranch at Hackensack, Minn., U.S.A.

most interestingly about poliomyelitis in which he had a wide experience 30 years splinted and one of the best methods is Not marred by selfiish aims or things; ago and after. Some of his experience the use of a Bradford frame. It is a That many find to contemplate confirms the view that polio is an unusual kind of disease.

(Minnesota). There were instances ness means that the inflammation in with 5 to 10 children. There was just to the paralyzed child. one case to the family. The Polish people lived in the suburbs of a city of 20,000. The only cases outside the ones among these people were in the family of the superintendent of schools who Oh! to be rich at Christmas lived in the heart of the city. Both his Say, wouldn't it be great children had poliomyelitis. I told the To be a real live Santa Claus, authorities of the place that I did not And never miss a place. know how to stop an outbreak of polio, No, never miss a place at all, but that in an adjacent Wisconsin No matter where, or large, or small; town they consistently watered the streets and did not have the disease. I With store for one and all, got our streets watered and (better to And with it too, I'd like to share be born lucky than rich) we had no The blessings of a Saviour's love more cases."

It is the minority only of polio cases The story old, but ever new, that suffer from paralysis. In many of Of Christ, who from a baby grew

the paralyzed the damaged is slight. In To be a bearer of our sins those with extensive paralysis, who That we might ever with Him live to Avert Poliomyelitis have otherwise recovered, improvement in Heaven some glad and happy day. may be expected until the end of two But, friends, while we must tarry here Poor in gold, but rich in grace, years. The convalescent stage is the Help to take a thought and care, important one in these cases. Every And share whate'er we have to share, case of polio, no matter how mild, must For be it little, or be it much, These with any vestige of paralysis It will do its part; yes, oh so much. must be kept in bed for periods up to If it is given with a thankful heart six months and longer, according to And, let's all say on Christmas morn Dr. Hill, in a personal letter, writes the extent of the disability. Even the "This is the day that Christ was born, mildest cases of paralysis must be And keep it as a sacred thing, great mistake to begin exercises, mas- Because that such and such a gift sages, electricity or other active treat- Wasn't just what you thought you'd get. Round the sacred hostelry He goes on to say: "I saw many cases | ment until all signs of surface sorein 1908, travelling all over the State ness has disappeared. Surface soreof more than one case in a family, al- the spinal cord, the site of the infecthough not frequently. One outbreak tion, still remains. Active treatment in was in about 20 Polish families each this stage will do irremediable injury

RICH AT CHRISTMAS

I'd fill each little stocking there Of boundless grace from God above.

Opening This Week of the Remus English China Shop

An event of more than ordinary interest to residents of Timmins is the announcement contained in this issue Humbly bow we at Thy feet, of the opening of Remus' English China Praying Thee our souls to greet, Shop in the basement of their Jewelry And in joyous, glad acclaim Store on Pine street.

Housed in surroundings that lend a hemelike atmosphere, the work of England's finest china craftsmen is displayed in artistic abundance. Among Christmas Tree is the better known patterns are the Iollowing: Royal Albert, Crown Derby, Royal Worcester, Crown Ducal, Royal Winton, Irish Belleek and the famous Spode line. One of the most striking offerings is a game service in Georgian motif, containing a hand-painted platter and one dozen plates—an unusually fine piece of work.

Says This Is Going to Be Big Christmas

Everybody Inclined to Celebrate Return of Prosper-

One "man about town", who keeps fair tab on most things of general interest, ventures the opinion that this Christmas is going to be a record one

"We're going to have a real, hearty, old-fashioned Christmas again this year. Everyone is in a happier and more hopeful mood. It's a time to be happy, and a time to make merry! Every store in Timmins is brimmnig over with the joyous Christmas spirit.' This is one of the things the gentleman said to The Advance yesterday. He might have added that what is true of Timmins stores is equally true of the other stores in the Porcupine

MY CHRISTMAS GIFTS

I love to give my friend a gift On Christmas Day; For understanding hearts are dear, And friendship lights a lamp of cheer-Bright ray on ray.

My enemy I too would bless On Christmas Day; 'Twould show, perhaps, a loveliness That otherwise he might not guess-Of Jesus' way.

And I would not forget my own On Christmas Day I'm sure Christ oft, for Mary's boys And her, in Nazareth made toys, A chair or tray.

To Him most fitting gift I bring On Christmas Day, If to some lone and anxious heart I play a neighbour's gentle part And that, alway.

Christmas Hymn

Tune: Dix

Holy Babe in stable born On the first glad Christmas morn; Mother to the inn denied, Christ the manger glorified; Soon abroad through all the earth Is proclaimed His lowly birth.

King of kings on humble cot, Lord of lords, in lowly lot, Gift of God to fallen race. Saviour of a lost mankind, All to Heaven's mercy blind.

Wise men from the East afar Followed Heaven's guiding star; Humble shepherds, watching near Saw a glorious light appear: Hark! The hosts of Heaven sing, "Glory to the new-born King."

Shepherds, heralds, wise men three Voices lift with one accord Praise to the redeeming Lord; Thus the Christ is ushered in, Saviour of a world from sin.

Saviour Christ, Thou still art King, Loyal tribute here we bring: Sing we praise to Thy blest name. -George Allen Kingston.

Centuries Old Now

Queen Victoria Gave it Impetus Among Yule Cus-

Christmas customs, religious and pagan, mediaeval and modern, Teutonic and Romanic, are blended in curious fashion throughout the Christian world. Methods of celebration, differing widely in each country, are often an apparent reflection of racial chara-

Each nation has its particular symbol J of the feast. In Germany and modern & England, the Christmas tree is the centre; in Jugoslavia, Southern France, Northern Italy and mediaeval England, the yule log; in Spain and France generally, the crib; and in Italy, the bambino (little infant.)

Decoration of houses with evergreens -holly, ivy and mistletoe-originated from a similar practice at the pagan Kalends of January (beginning of the civil year). The ancients considered evergreens, as they did all nature, symbolic of good luck. But what probably endeared the custom to Christian Co peoples was the mediaeval legend that all the trees and growing things in the forest blossomed and bore fruit the night of the Nativity. Hence the great popularity of the Christmas tree, itself a comparatively modern custom.

Royal Christmas Tree In Germany, the "land of trees", first mention of the Christmas tree is found in the seventeenth century, but its usage was not general there until the end of the eighteenth century. It was not popular in England until after 1840, 😥 when Queen Victoria and Prince Albert are said to have had a tree. About that time, also, it was first introduced into France and the Scandinavian

In the land of its origin the "Weinachtsbaum" (Christmas tree) posessses one aspect peculiar to that country alone. Regarded as utilitarian as well as decorative in other countries, to the and the appearance of an angel.

rather than beneath it. It is the Kristkind (Christ Child), not speaking lands. In olden days the Santa Claus, who bears gifts to the burning Yule Log was the chief em- In France (as also in Quebec and the day itself. Celebrations there are German child Christmas Eve. He is blem of the English Christmas, follow- Scotland) New Year's is the national climaxed by Midnight Mass, following generally represented as a tall child, ing the ancient tradition whereby the festival and universal gift-giving is con- which is held the "Reveillon" (mid-





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MEN'S AND BOYS' WEAR SCHUMACHER

of the Christmas season in English- often until New Year's.

Christmas Eve

tre of family life. In rural districts France and Quebec receive gifts at German the tree is symbolic of the Comfort and good cheer. Christmas the whole family would go out together Christmas from Le Petit Jesus or Pere Tree of Life and is itself a thing of carols and "kindness to fellowmen," to bring in the Log Christmas Eve, Noel, but sometimes through the beauty. Presents are never placed on with Santa Claus bestowing gifts by which was then lit and kept burning medium of shoes rather than stockit, and usually a short distance away way of stocking and tree, are the marks until dawn Christmas Day and very ings Christmas Eve in European countries generally, but particularly in France, is far more important than dressed in white, with long fair hair fire on the hearth symbolized the cen- fined to that day. The children in night repast and Christmas Eve sevels).



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