“Christmas is Coming.”

We ask the kind friends of the School for Imbeciles, while they are preparing for their “Holiday” festivities, not to forget the children who make up its household and who by reason of their infirmities are deprived, in a great measure, of the privileges which their more fortunate brothers and sisters enjoy. Though the mind may not be bright, or the appreciation intense, the whole being may be as fully absorbed in the pleasure of the moment, as though acting upon a higher mental plane, and to have a good time Christmas, is to be happy not only then, but for a long time in remembrance of it.

On Christmas evening we propose to have a tree for our pupils and some simple amusements for their entertainment. Any, who desire to assist in making the time pass pleasantly for them, can do so by sending either money, picture books, cards, toys, dolls or any novelties that instruct, entertain or amuse ordinary children, and all will be promptly acknowledged, and the kindness appreciated by our children. Contributions should be sent to the Superintendent on or before December 19th. The money sent will be used to provide entertainment in whatever way it may be specified by the donor. The name of the donor should be on the package as well as in the letter of explanation.

Respectfully,

A. C. Rogers, M.D.
Superintendent.

Minnesota School for Imbeciles, Faribault, Minn., December 1, 1885.
As our friends are aware, it has become a custom of the School to make Christmas the festival time of the year. It is eagerly looked forward to by our children large and small, for weeks.

It is very desirable that parents and friends of the children, who intend sending articles for them, should see that they are started in time to reach the School by Thursday, December 19th. Those who send money, will kindly specify how they prefer to have it expended.

Any unexpended money will be placed in the Amusement and Scientific fund.

Send packages prepaid in care of the Superintendent, and be sure to have the name of the donor either upon the outside of the package or where it can be easily found upon the inside, whether a letter of explanation is sent or not.

Respectfully,

Faribault, Dec. 4th, 1889. Dr. A. C. Rogers, Supt.
TO THE FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL FOR FEEBLE-MINDED:

We are already reminded of the approaching Holidays by the suggestions of expectant children and we hope to make the coming season even more joyous for the household than any previous. To enable us to do this, parents and friends will kindly send their contributions as soon as possible. Tools, skates and sleds for boys; work-boxes and writing-desks for girls; articles of clothing, pictures, illustrated books with short stories for all school children, and bright pictures and toys for the more helpless ones, represent the character of articles most appropriate.

CASH is of course always welcome. We buy at wholesale a great variety of things for presents, there being only a part of our large family provided for individually by their friends.

Some confectionery is acceptable but only a limited amount is allowed to each person. We reserve the right to withhold from any child any undue amount furnished.

All articles and all money received will be duly receipted for. REMEMBER: 1. To write the name of the donor or sender and the person or persons for whom intended upon a card or piece of paper and place this where it will be easily seen when the package is opened.

2. Send all articles prepaid and in care of the Superintendent.

3. Please have all contributions here by Saturday Dec. 19th.

There will be no public entertainment at Christmas time. On New Years evening a musical program will be given by the children under the management of the teachers.

It will not be advisable for pupils to leave the school during the Holiday season.

A. C. ROGERS, Supt.

Faribault, Minn.

Dec. 1st, 1891.