

These are the choirs of the London Schools --- in the annual Christmas Carol Festival at the Royal Festival Hall.

And, also in the Christmas spirit --- though in a somewhat more flippant vein --- the famous photographer Baron gave a party to which friends were invited to come, dressed as the people they would like to have been, if only they weren't what they were. One of them came as a Red Indian squaw. I didn't know they had much fun.

Another girl came as a leopard and her husband, as ~~her~~ <sup>the</sup> trainer, led her in on a chain. You can guess whose idea that was.

~~Needless to say~~ <sup>Then</sup> there was a Cleopatra <sup>that famous open-air gut-</sup> --- and quite a lot of people had the idea they would like to have been some of the well-to-do characters of the eighteenth century.

It was a very high-class affair attended by many stars and starlets; --- ~~and~~ among them our camera spotted Beverley Brooks.

And now --- over to New York to see how Manhattan greets the season of goodwill; with a blaze of light, in streets and shops.

Yes --- with all our modern worries and troubles, we can still rejoice in the time-honoured spirit of Christmas.