



“The Pioneer”

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Outback Santa Claus

To a lonely Cattle Station
In Australia's big Outback,
The Folks had come from Miles around
Both Coloured, White and Black.

This was their big re-union
The one time of the year,
When they all got together
Celebrating Christmas Cheer.

They had lots of things to talk about
Since they'd seen each other last,
There was tears and there was laughter
As they yarned about the past.

For these people of the Outback
Are a different kind of breed,
To what their City Cousins are
With everything they need.

They settled out there in those places
While we were wondering why,
They battled Mother Nature
Until the day they die.

They sang their Christmas Carols
These people from afar,
To the tune of a Gum Leaf
And a battered old Guitar.

And the Children they were happy
Making their own fun,
As anxiously they waited
For Santa Claus to come.

Now everybody knows
The Australia's big inland
Is too hot for the reindeers
That belongs to Santa's Band.

So he rode in on a Camel
With another at the rear,
Loaded down with all the Toys
He'd collected through the Year.

The Children gathered around him
And they all gave a shout,
As he stepped down off his Camel
And handed Presents out.

And no one seemed to notice
Or no one seemed to care,
That as he walked among them
Santa's feet were bare.

The Bag upon his shoulder
Was just a Hessian Sack,
And no one seemed to worry
That Santa's skin was Black.

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