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Cousin Joy thinks you will all be much pleased this month to see the faces of so many dear little children looking up at you from our first page. "Riot Babies!" What in the world do those words mean? Cousin Joy looks in the dictionary and she finds that the noun *riot* means "uproar, tumult"—the verb says, "to make an uproar." Surely these dear little babes, looking so quiet and peaceful, are not so much worse than other babies that they must needs make a riot that all the world shall hear and be sorry for! No, indeed! Just read the inreresting story of it all, that Mrs. Hartwell has so kindly written for us, and you will find that, instead of rioting themselves, these dear little babies, "all under two and a half years old," were kept very quiet, in the midst of awful danger, in a riot made by the cruel Chinese, whose only excuse is that they "did not know anything about God." How would any of you like to be chased from your home and have to hide away from "ugly and wicked men?" But God heard prayer and saved them all, even dear little Lila Stevenson, whom we all pity so much because her Chinese nurse dropped her by the roadside. We pity the nurse too, for how could she run with her poor bound feet? Well, God saw baby Lila crying by the roadside and He felt sorry for her, and He knew how her poor mother's heart would ache if she never saw her again, so He sent kind friends who gave her back to her parents. You see, dear cousins, how God cares for every dear little child that comes into the world—if He did not how many of us would be here to-day? Perhaps He has some Mission band work for little Lila to do for Him some day. When the riots were over the good missionaries did not say "We will not stay in China, where we may be robbed and killed at any time." No, they all wanted to go back, for they loved the poor Chinese, and some have already gone. When you pray, every night and morning, for yourself and friends, pray for all these dear children, that they may be safely kept, by "our Father in Heaven", and may grow up to be His servants. Pray also, this month, for the little girls in India who have no happy homes, no schools, no holidays! nothing but drudgery and sorrow. God does hear and answer prayer.

DEAR COUSIN JOY.—I am the president of "Perseverance Mission Band." I take the PALM BRANCH and like it very much. The answer to the first puzzle in April is, "Junior Star Mission Band," and the third

is "Friendly Workers," I think. I have a puzzle which I am sending to you. It is the first puzzle I ever made or solved and I do not know whether they are correct or not, and would like to see the puzzle in print when you have the space in your paper.

I remain, your loving cousin,

Bedeque.

CARRIE BOWNESS.

DEAR COUSIN JOY.—I take the PALM BRANCH and like it very much, especially the puzzles. Our president gave us a prize for the puzzles last year, and this year it is for the Field Study. I have a puzzle to send. Do you think it worth publishing? I also send the answer to the first puzzle in the April PALM BRANCH. It is "Junior Star Mission Band."

Pownal, P. E. I. Your cousin, ADA CAMPBELL.

DEAR COUSIN JOY.—I belong to the "Wayside Helpers" Mission Band of Delta. I take the PALM BRANCH and I like it very much. I think I have found the answers to the May puzzles. The first is, "Willing Workers," the second is "Jesus Wept," the last is "Happy Workers." There are 14 belonging to our Band. We are preparing now for an open meeting, which will be held the 15th of May.

Delta, Ont.

Your cousin, LIZZIE MCC.

DEAR COUSIN JOY.—I am a member of the "Willing Workers" Mission Band. I take the PALM BRANCH and find it very interesting. I think I have found the answers to last month's puzzles. First, "Willing Workers," second, "Jesus Wept," and last, "Happy Workers," and the answer to the Pied Text, "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."

Maccan. Your loving cousin, LEORA HARRISON.

DEAR COUSIN JOY.—I belong to the "Earnest Workers" Mission Band. We take the PALM BRANCH and like it very much. Enclosed you will find a puzzle, the first I ever made. I hope you will think it worth publishing. I think the answers to the May puzzles are. 1st, "Willing Workers," 2nd, "Jesus Wept."

P. E. I.

DAISY PICKARD.

### JUNE PUZZLES.

I am composed of 18 letters.

My 1, 10, 11, 12, is an ornamental seat.

My 3, 2, 6, 8, 17, 7, 13, is a dealer in furs.

My 18, 14, 15, 16, means 'be it firm' or 'so let it be'.

My 9, 12, 4, 5, means free from danger.

My whole—Fellow Christians in a foreign land.

Marysville.

S. ETTA HANDLEY.

I am composed of 14 letters,

My 7, 13, 6, 9, 11, is a color.

My 3, 2, 4, 1, 6, is an inscription.

My 14, 3, 12, 8, 5, 10, is a girl's name.

My whole is a band in Sackville.

Sackville.

LUCY DOUEL.

I am composed of 14 letters.

My 9, 3, is a part of the verb to be.

My 6, 8, 6, 7, is a Latin word.

My 12, 13, 1, is a kind of meat.

My 12, 13, 7, 11, means to suspend.

My 13, 8, 7, 13, is a girl's name.

My 5, 13, 2, 10, is a Bible name.

My 4, 6, 14, means amount.

My whole is the name of one of our missionaries.

Canso, N. S.

ANNA WHITNEY.