

Correspondence

ROYAL LEAGUE OF KINDNESS.

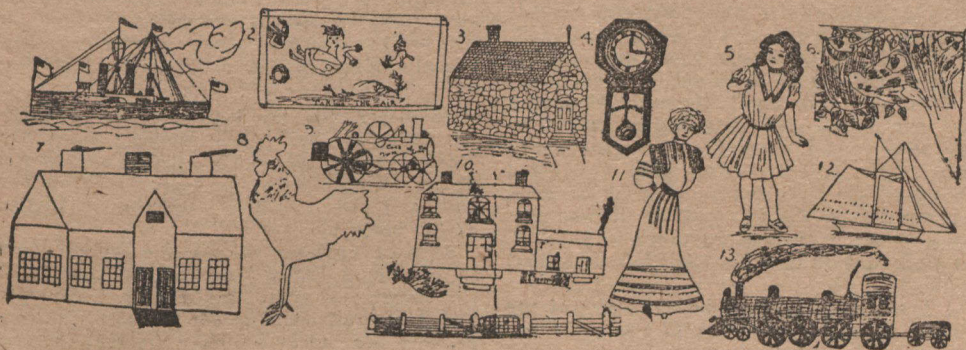


I pledge myself

To speak kindly to others,
To speak kindly of others,
To think kind thoughts,
To do kind deeds.

Anyone may become a member of the R. L. of K. by copying out the above pledge, signing and sending it to the editor.

PLEDGE CARDS.—For those who wish to have them, we issue neat and durable pledge cards, 4 inches by six, printed in purple and white and ready to hang on the wall. Single cards, five cents and two cents for postage; six cards to one address, twenty-five cents and two cents for postage.



OUR PICTURES.

1. 'Indomitable.' George Richardson, V., Ont.
2. 'On a Slate.' Rovene Downey (aged 7), C. N.B.
3. 'Our School.' Annie Young (aged 12), A. M., Ont.
4. 'Clock.' Oral Frith (aged 12), M., Ont.
5. 'A Little Girl.' Ebba Johanson (aged 10), K., Ont.
6. 'Baltimore Oriole.' Howard E. White, P., Ont.
7. 'House.' Roy Lester (aged 10), A., Ont.
8. 'Rooster.' Walter Carruthers, L., Sask.
9. 'My Engine.' Heber Fitzgerald (aged 10), M., Sask.
10. 'House.' Rea E. Currie (aged 8), M. V., Ont.
11. 'A Lady.' Elsie McDuff (aged 12), W. R. P.E.I.
12. 'Minnie D.—.' Roy Meadows (aged 9), W. J. N.S.
13. 'Engine.' Percy Hart, C., Ont.

BADGES.—We also issue for sale with the pledge card, if desired, a neat brooch pin of fine hard enamel, in the above design of a bow in our own league colors, purple and white. Single badge with pledge card, and postage included, twenty-five cents; five badges with pledge cards and postage included to one address, one dollar.

Mark all orders on both envelope and letter with the three letters R.L.K.

Well, did anyone find out what the motto means, Vincit, qui se vincit? 'He conquers, who conquers himself.' Once get control of that sharp tongue of yours so that it doesn't snap out the mean and nasty words that you are sorry for afterwards; once get control of your temper so that it isn't constantly getting you into trouble; once get control of your thoughts so that you can shut out those that are like evil poisonous weeds, and then, having conquered yourself you will soon find yourself winning everybody else's love and respect. Not that the league members are to try to get first place in everyone's favor and want their friends' praise, but it is a good thing to be trusted and loved, isn't it?

The new members for this week are Dolly Gore, R., Sask.; Myrtle E. Brown, E., N.S.; Ruth, and Grace Niven, P., Man.; Ernest Crowe, G., Ont.; William J. G. Matthewson, A., Sask.; Evelyn Webster, A., B.C.; Alice Irene Wearne, S., P.Que.; Wallace Leitch, S., Ont.; Maggie I. B. Thrift and Irene Thrift, H., B.C.; Vera M. Dickson, C., B.C.; Edith A. M. Moody, and Freddy Moody, R., Man.; Lena L. Elliot, S., N.B.; Hazel S. Murrell, T., Ont., and Harold Barnewall, O. C., Ont.

W. N.S.
Dear Editor,—Would you mind letting a little Nova Scotian girl enter your club? I want to be a member of your R. L. of K. I go to school to my father. I think that the 'Messenger' is the dearest paper thought of. This is the first time I have written, so I must close. Wishing the 'Messenger' success.

HAZEL VANBUSKIRK.

M. Que.
Dear Editor,—I am going to school. I live near it and the teacher boards at our place. This is my first letter to the 'Messenger,' so it is not so interesting as the other correspondence letters, but one thing is that I am going to join the Royal League of Kindness. I have three sisters and two brothers. My brother is away at the shanty, and my oldest sister goes to the Academy in Shawville. She is studying to be a teacher.

LILLIAN CHAPMAN.

D. Ont.
Dear Editor,—I get the 'Messenger' at Sunday School and I think it is a lovely little paper. I have not seen a letter from D. on the correspondence page, so I thought I would write one. I live with my uncle and aunt and two little cousins, a boy of seven and a girl eleven months of age. My father and mother live on a farm near Hamilton. Grandma

part of the country, and by just climbing part-way up a large mountain that is near here, you can get a fine view. There is a large mill and corundum mine here, and it employs a number of men. Well, I think I will close, wishing success to the 'Messenger' and R. L. of K.

MAY GRANT.

L.C., Ont.
Dear Editor,—I am a little girl 8 years old. I go to school very regularly. I am in the Third Reader. We are having very dry weather here for Algoma. I live on a farm five miles from Thessalon.

LILLIE J. WEIR.

S., Ont.
Dear Editor,—I am nine years old and am in the senior second class. I have a little brother six years old named Clifford. He has a dog called Bob. S. is a little village on the C.P.R. twenty-five miles west of Toronto. Well, I guess this is all for the first time. Wishing the 'Messenger' success.

EILEEN SCOTT.

W. Man.
Dear Editor,—I am eleven years old. I have about twenty books. My favorite author is Alger. The name of our school is John M. King School. It is only a little way from our house. We shall soon have some snow now. I have one sister and no brothers. My sister's name is Winnie.

CHARLEY SMALLBONE.

[You sent no answer with your riddle, Charley, so we had to leave it out. That is our rule, you know. Ed.]

OTHER LETTERS.

Ena J. Cross, S.D., P.Que., has a collie dog, 'and we are great friends.'

Harriet S. MacIntosh, and Lavinia M. Kennedy, W., N.S., write together. Both ask for correspondents, but forget that we cannot print full addresses. We are sorry, but we have to make this rule.

Clifford Lawrence, B., Man., says 'My brother and I are staying at my grandma's to go to school.'

Lena L. Elliot, S., N.B., lives on a farm now. 'I lived in a city all my life before.' You ask about sending stamps, Lena. Yes, all small sums may be sent in stamps, but large amounts should come by money order.

Stanley Karr, W., Man., thought he would write 'for I am doing nothing now. I am not going to school, for school is stopped.' That's too bad, Stanley, but we are glad to hear from you.

Herbert Masales, A., Ont., sends a riddle but it has been asked before.

Jennie and Ethel Grant, F., N.S., send a story written by themselves. The composition is very good, little friends, but we are afraid the plot presents too many questions. You should write on one side of your paper only.

Gwendoline Allan, L., Ont., says 'I am in the Third Book and keep head of my class.'

Lawrence E. Cass, M., Que., writes 'My pet is a kitten. I call her "Timoleen," a name I found in the "Messenger."'

Roy S. Meadows, W. J., N.S., lives 'By the sea shore. My papa is the minister here. I like to live by the shore.'

Earl Miller, A., Ont., 'was ill a while ago, but I am better now. A. is a very nice place to live in.'

Hazel S. Murrell, T., Ont., says 'I cannot coast much as I live in the village.' Why should that make coasting difficult, Hazel? Glad the R.L.K. pledge card and badge arrived safely.

Olden A. Wentzell, B.M., N.S., says 'Our house is a double house. My grandma lives in one part of it and we live in the other.' How nice to be so near grandma.

Eva L. Howes, H., Ont., writes 'I think the drawings at Christmas were very good, don't you, Editor?' Certainly, Eva; we are quite proud of some of our artists. Eva asks: What relation is your mother's brother's brother-in-law to you?

We also received short letters from Ethel King, W. R., P.E.I., Ethel Viola Devlin, E., Ont., Doris Adele Whiteford, H., Ont., Edna Clarkson, W., Ont., and Martha M. Crockett, E., N.S.

stays with my uncle. Her birth day is on New Year's Day. She was born in Scotland, and is over eighty years old. I think the Royal League of Kindness is a splendid idea, and am glad to join it. I go to school every day and am in the fourth class. We like our teacher very well. My schoolmate is Violet Henderson. I have five brothers and two sisters.

OLIVE MacCHRISTIE.

O. C., Ont.
Dear Editor,—I am a little boy seven years old and am in the Junior second class. My teacher lives right next door to my home. I have two turkeys and two ducks, and about thirty hens and a big dog, and I call him Prince.

HAROLD BARNEWALL.

C., Ont.
Dear Editor,—We are having cold weather just now. It was snowing to-day. I go to school every day. I got the prize last month, as I came out ahead in my class in marks. I am in the Senior Second, but we are going to try for the Third I think soon. We have a mile and a quarter to go to school. Good-by, From your little friend,

ADDIE SHEFFIELD.

B.M., Ont.
Dear Editor,—I get the 'Messenger' every Sunday at Sunday School, and we think it is a fine paper, and would not do without it. I am joining the Royal League of Kindness, for I think it is just all right. We have a very nice Sunday School. It is small but it is doing a lot of good. We live in a very nice