

MOTTO: "KINDLY DEEDS
MAKE HAPPY LIVES"

Something to Write About.



The Escape

"Such a hue and cry as went up when the found the children had disappeared—and later when they found that the foot had gone also." This was what it said on a piece of paper which I found, and there was no more of the story for me to read, so I do not know what children they were,

nor whose, nor why they went, nor where. But this picture helps out a little bit, for it shows how they went. And perhaps someone is bright enough to find the answer to all the other questions that the people asked. Do you think they found it out before very long?

Uncle Dick's Chat With the Children

My Dear Kiddies:—

Among the very large number of letters received during the past week, many have contained most interesting suggestions. One of them in particular being very good indeed. It is from Harry McMackin, of Rothesay, with reference to having a series of contests for the older members of the Corner. Harry writes in part as follows: "I would suggest, please, that the Monarchical side of government be better than the Republican." All who intended to enter might then send in their names, stating which type they thought best for the country.

"The contest could then begin, by all who sent in their names favoring the Monarchical side, writing short compositions defending the Monarchical form. The best three letters might then be published in the Corner. The Republican supporters could then answer these three letters, endeavoring to defeat the best letter. Then the three best letters of the Republican side could be published, and on turn and turn about each week.

"At the end of a given time, a prize or certificate could be awarded for the best of the letters on each side. Of course, the subject here mentioned would not do as I think most of us agree as to the proper type of government. Some interesting subject might be chosen, and allowed to run for say, ten weeks. Each party competing alternate weeks."

Now, boys and girls, I think this is a good suggestion, but before doing anything in the matter, am going to ask for your combined opinion. Write as soon as possible, and let me know what you think. Do you consider that you would like to have this sort of debating class? Naturally, the best way for those of you who are older, say between ten and sixteen, but then there are always plenty to interest the younger members each week, paintings, drawings, pictures, stories, and a host of other things. Now be quite frank and let me know what you think of remembering that I shall continue to let you have the composition contests, which have already proved popular beyond my highest expectation, each mail bringing hosts of cleverly written compositions.

This week I am not disappointed you, as I did last time, but am letting you have the first part of the story, which I have written especially for the Corner. Unfortunately poor Bobbie has just managed to fall into the lake this week, but without letting out any secrets I am sure he will be rescued, don't you?

A number of you girls will perhaps think that this new series of stories will be only of interest to boys, but such is not the case, as later on, perhaps next week, I shall have heaps to write about Bobbie's sister, Jean, and her friends, so read every installment carefully, so as not to miss any part of them. Some of them will be complete stories in each issue, whilst others will be continued until the following week, such as the one given this time.

Another suggestion sent in recently was from an old member of the Corner, and she says that she thinks it would be better still if all the kiddies did without the usual weekly answers to their letters, and instead wrote to Uncle Dick stories were published. I am not going to say what I think of this, but like the suggestion, I would like you to say in your next letters, what your ideas as to this matter plan.

Let me take this opportunity of thanking all those kind kiddies who have sent in boxes of newspaper clippings for the soldiers. These will be much appreciated by the brave men as they retire into the rear of the first line for a spell of well earned rest and recreation, between their hours of drill and preparation for further activity.

Just before closing my chat this



CONDUCTED BY UNCLE DICK.

There are cameras, watches, bracelets, books, etc., being won every week by boys and girls entering the composition contests. Are you one of the lucky kiddies? If not get busy and see if you can secure a splendid prize. Tell your school mates about this series of contests, and then see if you can manage to get your school to top position on the list as shown in another column.

other little sketches you may make.

Marion Ald, 24 Main Street—Glad you liked the pen which you won. That was a good idea to have it sent to your papa in France. The fancy worked card by the peasants must be very pretty. There is the Saturday Corner only now.

Pearl Manual, Woodstock—That's right, the more members the merrier we will all be. Write any of the others, and I am sure they will be pleased to reply. That was a good plan to arrange for your birthday. Write me again soon.

Hazen Smith, Gaspeaux Forks—The drawing which you sent in was very well done, Hazen, and I am much interested in your work. Try some of the other contests also.

Dorothy Everett, City—The outline which you made of the picture was very good, but you should have filled it in as shown in the copy.

Stella Kelly, Hoyt Station—Pleased to hear from you at last, and have you as a member of the Corner. You seem to be getting on well at school.

Isabelle Menzies, Dalhousie—Your most neatly written letter was most welcome, and I am glad to see that you are going to try and get some of your school mates to join the Corner. You seem to be doing well at school.

Bessie Coffey, Red Point—Very pleased to hear of your letter, Bessie. Yes a great number have joined recently. I guess your lamb will be quite a big "lamb" now.

Ladonna Myles, Campbellton—It would have been nice if you had written me at the first, and then I would have known of another new member earlier, oh Ladonna? Where did you live before? Write me again soon.

Zardee Gorham, Long Reach—Yes, the motto was long chosen. You appear to be getting on well at school. The composition was well written.

Edith McLean, Campbellton—Pleased to have your interesting letter, together with sketches. They are both good, but try not to make the faces so flat looking, otherwise your work shows great promise, and with right instruction you will be able to draw very well.

Myrtle Mallory, Mont Joli—The reply you sent in as to the different capitals is very good, Myrtle, and I am much interested in your work.

Dorothy Tapley, 37 Holly Street—You made a good attempt in the coloring contest. Only by looking at the background. Thanks for the nice letter.

Freda Hoyt, 70 Broad Street—You tried hard in the coloring contest, Freda, but made the same mistakes as Dorothy above.

Harry McMackin, Rothesay—I am answering to your questions, this week, but instead publishing your letter, and as you will note am asking the members of the Corner what they think, as personally I consider the idea is good.

Lawrence Myers, Norton—You are certainly trying hard to get the prize Lawrence, and it is with interest that I shall watch your work.

Lola McLean, 73 Victoria Street—Certainly I should like to have another member, and am only too pleased to have you join the Corner. It is interesting to hear that you and your sister and you are like "Billie" and "Jo".

Charles E. Scott, Hammond Vale—What a pity you did not send the coupon, as stated in the conditions, as otherwise your work was very good. Charles, in future don't forget you must bring the coupon with all entries to the contests.

Bentley King, Nerepis Station—I was most interested in your letter Bentley, and also glad to have you as a member of the Corner.

Ernest Thomson, Hampstead—That is very kind of you to write me, and I shall be glad to hear from you again. When you are old enough, you will have to join the Boy Scouts, as you suggest. I am sure you will enjoy being a member. Yes, the berry time is about the best.

Iva R. Stewart, St. George's—That little sister of ours must be very cute. It does not matter how many enter the contests, but the work that decides as to who get the prizes. You are a good letter writer.

Daisy Sears, Midglo Station—Although you did not succeed in getting the first prize, you will deserve the certificate which I am awarding you as the drawing was very well done, Daisy.

Horace Dadds, St. George's—Thanks for your welcome letter, I have entered your name on the membership roll, and hope you will continue to enjoy the Corner.

Leroy Dadds, St. George's—Yes, the chair was quite a good idea, was it not? I agree with you that you are able to draw very well indeed. Glad to hear that you are meeting other members of the Corner in St. George's.

Jensen, Jeffrey Corner—Very pleased to have you as a member, and hope to hear from you again soon. Elsie, when is your birthday?

Marion Porteous, St. James Street—I am pleased to see that you are enjoying the Corner, and taking part in the different contests, Marion.

Dorothy Stewart, 26 St. James St.—

MY NIECE'S WEEKLY RECIPE

Bread Crumb Griddle Cakes

Soak two cups of dry bread broken into bits in one pint of thick sour milk. When soft add one teaspoon of baking soda, one-half teaspoon of salt and one egg beaten light. Beat well and add one cup of sifted flour.

As usual you have sent in a very neat written composition, Dorothy, which I read with much interest. Hope you got last week's certificate alright.

Phyllis Barber, 42 Broad Street—You certainly took exceptional care this week, in the contest, Phyllis, and you well deserve the prize awarded. Call this morning and I shall have same for you.

Wilhelmina Moody, Lepreau—Thanks for your letter, and I am pleased to have you as a member of the Corner, Wilhelmina. Thanks also for the good wishes.

Elsie Shepherd, Prince of Wales—Alright Elsie, I shall send you the buttons and am glad you desire to join the Corner. The picture is pretty colored.

Joie Brennan, N. Heleagouche—That's the way the more new members the merrier. You are quite a clever little artist. Write again soon, and get others to join also.

Grace Allen, Markhamville—Yes, certainly Grace, and I am pleased to hear that Ada Walton, Francis Owen, Grace Spencer, Ethel Spencer, and Nina Wilkins, also wish to join the Corner. Thanks for the riddles.

Ada Walton, Markhamville—Yes, your letter was among the twenty, and I am sending you a button. Now you will have to send me one of your pictures.

Walter Goggin, Centre Millstream—Alright Walter, and write me whenever you desire. Are you able to go to school again?

Tales for the Kiddies

Bobbie Gets Tired of Staying Indoors.

By Uncle Dick

"Now Bobbie, I have to go down town to do some shopping, and I want you to stay in, in case your Aunt Margaret should call, as she wrote saying she might be able to get over to see us all sometime today." It was with a certain feeling of regret that Mrs. Brown gave her boy of ten years of age, these instructions, a sunny day, it was a beautiful sunny day, but Saturday, and he of course had holiday on that day.

However, as she hoped he would be a good boy whilst she was away, she whispered into his ear that she might have a chance for him to return.

For some time after his mamma had gone, Bobbie contented himself playing with the small army of tin soldiers, which Santa Claus had given him at Christmas. First he arranged some German tin soldiers, the relics of the previous Christmas, behind his bed, then he marshalled the Canadian "Warriors" in battle line, placing himself at their head.

"Load," "Get ready," "Fire," rang out in quick succession, but no casualties occurred amongst the ranks of the enemy, so "General" Bobbie called out, "these artilleries," a gun with a shell, and operated by a spring and trigger.

After several rounds from this "big gun" the brick walls of the German trenches toppled over, burying more than half of the defending force. Then it was time for "General" Bobbie's brave men to dash forward, (one at a time as Bobbie had to move each tin soldier, across the table which served as a miniature battlefield), and in a few minutes the position had been stormed, whilst the Union Jack, hoisted proudly over the ruined earthworks.

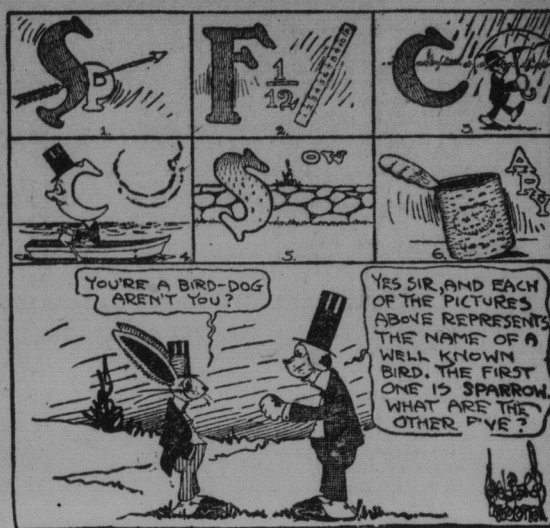
However, this kind of thing proved tiresome, as it is hard to fight battles all by oneself, besides Bobbie felt particularly lonely, as his elder sister, Jean, who always took opposite sides to him, in any games they might have in the house, had gone away for the week-end.

"I do wish mamma would get back, so that I could go out and play with Arthur."

Arthur was Bobbie's special chum, and just lived around in the other room, specially when it's so fine and sunny outside, he used, as he strolled through to the parlor window. Just at that time should come running along the street but Arthur, himself, "Hallo Bob," he shouted, as he caught sight of him at the open window. "Come out and help me to sail this splendid new boat, which Uncle Jack has just given me," saying which he stopped

ARE YOU ENTERING THE COMPOSITION CONTEST?

Something to Puzzle Over.



Six Birds

When you have been walking over the country and through the woods, have you ever stopped and listened to a "peep, peep," or a "caw, caw," or some other little noise of a bird calling to its mate? Here are six pictures which represent six birds

which you have surely seen at some time. Make a list of their names in their order in your best handwriting. Send it to Uncle Dick not later than February 20th, and a nice prize will be awarded for the most correct and neatly written list.

This Week's Prize Winners

First Prize—Camera
Phyllis Barber, 42 Broad St.

Second Prize—Gold Bracelet
Lillian Barber, Fredericton Junction.

Third Prize—Illustrated Story Book
Marion Porteous, 10 St. James St.

Certificates of Merit
Leroy Dadds, St. George.
Zardee Gorham, Long Reach.
Joie Brennan, N. Heleagouche.
Marion Lunan, Campbellton.
Lawrence Myers, Norton.

Special Mention
Myrtle Viola Smith, Sussex; Myrtle Mallory, Mont Joli; Dorothy Goodill, Rolling Dam; Dorothy Stewart, 25 St. James St.; Mary McMackin, Rothesay; Charles Scott, Hammond Vale; Eva Stewart, St. George; and Elsie McMullin, 74 St. James St.

Drawing Contest
First Prize
Helen E. McMullin, 447 Brunswick Street.

Consolation Prize
Freda Cunningham, Bocabee.
Certificate of Merit
Daisy Sears, Midglo Station.

New Members This Week

A very hearty welcome is extended by Uncle Dick to the following kiddies who have joined the Children's Corner during the past week:

Opal Hachez, Campbellton.
Tressie Wallace, Howard Brook.
Emerald Woodworth, 110 Harrison Street.

Pearl Manual, Woodstock.
Stella Kelly, Dalhousie.
Ladonna Myles, Campbellton.
Lola McLean, 73 Victoria St.
Bentley King, Nerepis Station.
Horace Dadds, St. George.
Elsie Jensen, Jeffrey Corner.
Annie McLaughlin, Campbellton.
Laura Graves, Upper Dorchester.
Wilhelmina Moody, Lepreau.
Joie Brennan, N. Heleagouche.
Grace Allen, Markhamville.
Ada Walton, Markhamville.
Francis Owen, Markhamville.
Grace Spencer, Markhamville.
Ethel Spencer, Markhamville.
Nina Wilkins, Markhamville.
Walter Goggin, Centre Millstream.

Composition Contest Stories

Phyllis Barber Gives a Splendid Description of London.

London population 6,292,000; capital of Great Britain and the largest city in the world, is situated on both sides of river Thames. The Thames is crossed by many bridges of which Waterloo bridge is the most famous.

Besides these there are several tunnels under the river. London has more than 1500 churches, the finest being St. Paul's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey. All the British Kings and Queens from the time of Edward the Confessor, have been crowned in the Abbey which is also the burial place of many kings and other distinguished persons. The Bank of England is the most important in the world. The Tower of London is an ancient fortress or castle, long a prison for persons accused of crime—now principally used as an arsenal and barracks for soldiers. London is the richest city in the world and has an immense trade. Its great docks having several miles of wharves, are always crowded with ships. The air of London is always smoky and thick fogs are very common, but the city is generally healthy. Summer is the most fashionable season and at that time London is visited by thousands of strangers.

Among the most crowded streets of London are Cheapside, Bishopsgate St., Gracechurch St., Cornhill St., Leadenhall St., which are lined with stores.

Recent St. is the handsomest St., and contains the finest stores—while the most fashionable houses are in Belgrave, in the western part of the city.

—Sent by Phyllis Barber, 42 Broad St., King Edward School.

**STANDING OF SCHOOLS
IN THE CONTESTS TO
DATE JAN. 30.**

Rolling Dam 2
King Edward School 14
Victoria School, City 1
Norton 6
Sussex Grammar School 7
Campbellton Gram. School 5
Lake School, Hatfield 5
Young's Cove School 1
Welchpool 2
Sunbury County School 5
Long Reach School 7
St. George Superior School 3
Albert School, City 3
Andover 2
Perth 1
Rothesay Cons. 1
Hammond Vale 1
Upper LeEtang 1

ED. NOTE—Owing to pressure on space only a section of the first prize-winner's story can be published.