



Address—COUSIN JOY, 282 Princess Street, St. John, N. B.

Dear Cousin Joy:—Will you please tell me (for I really want to know, and so do some other girls and boys), why you call our Mission Band paper the Palm Branch? I think you must have had some reason for it. Perhaps you have told it before, but if so, you will please tell it again to

ONE LITTLE COUSIN.

Certainly we will. We have told it twice already, but "One Little Cousin" could not have been there to hear. We had two ideas. One was to link it with a loving thought of the friend who had planned this work for us. The other was to honor our best Friend, the Lord Jesus Christ. So thinking it over one night (best thoughts come in the night, you know), we suddenly remembered that when Jesus rode, a King, into Jerusalem, two thousand years ago, the people, and the children too, cut down branches of palm trees and strewed them in his path and they shouted Hosanna, and we thought, why not make our little paper a tribute of praise to King Jesus as he goes on his onward, conquering march now? So that is why it was called the Palm Branch, and we hope all our young cousins like the name, as we do.

Dear Cousin Joy:—I am a member of the Blackmore Mission Band, and take the Palm Branch. I like the paper.

Your loving cousin,

Ritcey's Cove, N. S.

EMMIE C. MYRA.

Dear Cousin Joy:—I am a member of the Mission Band. I take the Palm Branch. I like it very much.

Chelton, P. E. I.

ETHEL PEARSON.

Dear Cousin Joy:—We have a nice Mission Band here, and have lovely meetings. We learn quite a lot about our Missionaries. I take the Palm Branch and like it very much.

Your loving cousin,

Bedeque, P. E. I.

ANNIE LORD.

Dear Cousin Joy:—This is the first time I have claimed you as a cousin. I am a member of the C. M.

Tate Mission Band. I take the Palm Branch and think it a very nice paper, and I am an interested reader of the Cosy Corner. I know some of its correspondents.

Yours lovingly,

West Dublin

NELLIE REMLEY.

Dear Cousin Joy:—We all like the Palm Branch and would not want to be without it. It helps very much in making our Band meetings interesting. Are these the answers to the March puzzles, "Happy Workers," "Dear Cousin Joy," and "Star of Hope"? Hoping to see my puzzle in print,

I remain, your loving cousin,

We had Roy's puzzle.

ROY TURNER LOWTHER.

Dear Cousin Joy:—I am going to write to you for the first time. I belong to an Endeavor. Our motto is "Be kindly affectionate one to another, with brotherly love." I take the Palm Branch and enjoy its reading very much. I will enclose a puzzle, if you think it worth publishing.

Yours sincerely,

Kingston, Ont.

MAY.

All these send correct answers to March Puzzles. No one has guessed May's puzzle yet.

Dear Cousin Joy:—I am a member of the Mayflower Mission Band at Bloomfield. It was named Mayflower because the Mayflowers were in bloom then. This is the second time I have written to you. I take the Palm Branch and like it very much. I like to read the letters in the paper. I am nine year old, and enjoy reading very much. We have about twenty members in our Mission Band. I have tried to get some one into the Band, but could not succeed.

Your loving cousin,

Bloomfield, Car. Co., N. B.

WENDELL STOKOE.

Dear Cousin Joy:—You do look so cosy in your little corner, surrounded by such a happy group of smiling faces, we hardly like to break in upon you; but we know that you are interested in all Mission Band workers, and we want to tell you about the Light Bearers and what we are doing. We have had quite a successful year. Our meetings are growing in numbers and in interest. We hold our meeting twice a month and have adopted the Watch Tower system. In May we held an open meeting, consisting of missionary recitations and choruses, and exhibited our Scripture text quilt, to be sent to some mission. It being our anniversary occasion, Mrs. Hales (M. B. Cor. Sec.) was present, and rendered some choice selections, which were highly appreciated. Membership at present, 40. Our thank offering for Jennie Ford Orphanage amounted to \$2.02. We take 17 Palm Branches. Other money raised during the year, \$8.89.

We are sorry to record the death of one of our dear workers, but hope to be stimulated by this loss to further efforts in the Master's vineyard.

Stouffville, Ont.

ED. SAUNDERS, Cor. Sec.