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LETTERS TO JUNIOR

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Dear Sir,—Please state in your popular paper that the Northwood Stock Co. will play "Two Marks" in vaudeville on Friday, November 27, 1998. Admission, two and five cents. NORTHWOOD STOCK CO.

ITALIAN CLOCK

the Class

This masterpices of human ingenuity is made entirely of bread crumbs, and has, naturally, a history. About a hundred years ago an Italian workman wished to try his hand at making a clock, but had not the means to buy the metal necessary for the construction of the works, and was at a less what to do. Determined not to be beaten, he conscived the ungenious idea of saving his bread crumbs from day to day, and solidifying them with without doubt the most singular time piece in the world.

TO SPIN A PLATE

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plate on the point of a needle, and even to cause it to spin steadily upon this delicate support. Cut two corks down the middle and in the end lof the four halves thus obtained insert forlies, inclined to the smooth sides of the corks at a little less than right angles. Place these four corks around the rim of the plate at equal distances from one another and see that the teeth of the forks are in contact with the rim, to prevent them from swaying.

With a little care this plate can now be balanced on the point of a needle whose eye has been buried in the cork of an upright bottle. By giving it a gentle rotary motion the plate may be made to spin around, which it will do for quite a long

## THE CONTEST FOR NOVEMBER

. We are very much pleased with the result of our October essay contest. The boys and girls have evidenced a great interest in the contest and we hope to see even greater inverest in the one of this month About fifty compositions were received for last month's contest and we expect to double that number for the present month, November. The subjects this month for the essays must be based on the advertisements to be seen at any time in The Planet columns.

The compositions or essays as in the last contest, must be the work of a pupil of either the public or separate schools of the city or county, certified by the teacher.

The subject, if possible, is to be made up into a story, or the best possible description. Story form us the best way to do it. The grade of the pupil will be taken in consideration so all will have an equal chance.

All compositions are to be in by Monday, November 30, and com-t judges as in the past instance, will be chosen to select the

START IT NOW send them in early.

## STANDARD TIME

Strange as it may seem, says a writter in St. Nicholas, Uncle Sam does not make use of the sun for reckoning time, but turns his attention to some of the regular, steady-going stars, or "fixed stars," as they are called. Every clear night an astronomer with a big telescope looks at certain of these stars, and makes his calculations, from which he can tell just when the sun would

One of the great cooks in the jobservatory is called the transmitter,
because if transmits, or sends out,
the signals which keeps standard
iffme. This clook is set and regulated
by the star time, and then every
day at three minutes and 15 seconds
the beats of the pendulum of this
clock are sent by electricity over the
wires to the telegraph offices in
Washington and New York.
When the telegraph offices in
washington and they at once begin
to connect the telegraph wires with
other towns and cities, until, in a
minute or two, the "tick, tick," of
the clook at Washington is heard
in hundreds of telegraph offices. The
beats stop at 10 seconds before 12
as a notice that the next "tick,"
will be the operators time to connect their wires with the standard
time-balls and clooks
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the telegraph offices. The
san prickes—usually on top of some
prominent building, where they can
easily be seen. Well, the moments the
sum is supposed to cross the seventyfifth moridan, the telegraph instruments give a single tick, the timeballs drop, the clooks begin to strike,
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\*\*\*\*\*\*\* TEACHES PARROTS

A teacher of languages in Chicago has begun to instruct parrots instead of people. He finds that it pays thim better. According to the Chicago Tribune this hazard of new fortunes came about quite accidentally. Happening to talk with a parrot dealer, he asked him if there was much of a market for the birds abroad, and was answered "no," that on account of difference in language, English-speaking birds would hardly be in demand in a foreign country. This gave, the linguist an idea. He took home, an uneducated hird, and in a few weeks had taught it to repeat some Brench sentences. After that the began a regular occupation of teaching French, German and Italian to parrots instead of to people.

Diet and warm'th are important conditions in this system of education. The birds are kept in a temperature of 80 degrees, and are fed on nuts, bananas and other fruit. The leasons are given morning and evening. One word may be properature for days together; later several words are joined in the form of a sentence. A elever bird will learn a short sentence in less that of teaching a bird to speak opportunely, as if it understood what is happening at the moment. If the teach er pulls out his watch at the finstant of saying: "What time is it?" the parrot soon learns to say "What time is it?" whenever ne sees a watch if he sees and must enter the room, saying: "How do you do?"

To induce him to say, "Must you got Good-bye!" the processor picks up his hat and stack, and leaves the

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Something to Interest the Boys and Girls.

In a cemetery a little white stone marked the grave of a dear little girl, and on the stone were these words:

"Little Namie-a child of whom her playmates said, "It was easier to be good when she was with us,"

A lody missionary in India adopted a little famine stricken orphan baby girl. As wee darkie grew older she developed a great habit of graising herself if she thought she had done anything well. She had a doil to whom she often chattered. The lady, thinking "darkie" was getting concited, one day explained to her the English proverb, "Don't blow your own trumpet."

Next day little "darkie" did some work very nicely, and looking down on her doll she whispered, "You blow the trumpet, Dollie,"

wee bit silly lammie far awa' frae hame-

Nae ane kenned its name. he blast was sair an snarlin',

There was a kind wee lassie,
Wha' missed the lammie sair;
Ost she ghed tae the hillside
An' brocht it hame wi' care.
"Grandfather, here's the lammie,
I got it doon ithe glen,
I'll warm it well an' kindley,
An' lay it in fifhe pen.

Short Stories

No. 10

A REMEMBERED LESSON.

Little Johnnie, returning home after a Christmas party, appealed thus pitcously to his mother, "Put I to bed, mother, and don't bend I—or I'll busts

HIS STRONG ARMS. .

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A SAD PLIGHT.

"Lassie, hear your grandfather Preach a sermon true, As ye've dune for this lammie, Christ fain wad dae for you; He offers warmith an' shelter, Gin ye wud let him try, He wants a little bairness In his strong arms tae lie."

and offices.

This city has telephone wirds running all over it and telegraph wires attached to other cities.

Chatham is now one of the finest cities in Ontario for its size, its population being about ten thousand. This city is situated in the centre of a very fertile district, sometimes called the "Garden of Canada."

Chatham has one of the finest markets in America.

The chief manufactures of this city are Wm. Gray & Co., which manufacture carriages, buggies, carts and cutters. The Chatham Wagon Works, which make the wagons and sleighs. Robert Milners, which manufacture outters, carts, buggies and carriages. The Doweley Spring & Arle Works, which make springs and axies. The Wheel Works, which manufacture wheels.

Tanning Mill, which make fanning mills and inpulators. T. H. Taylor's

Mamma—Oh, you had boy! Where have you been all this time! Don't you think you should be ashamed to worry your mother so!

The Boy—Well, ma, I'm willing to be ashamed that I worried you if you'll promise not to tell pa anything that'll worry me."

To Essay Writers

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**ESSAYS** 

Competition for this month. The time for preparing them is now drawing to a close. A little watch-fulness of THE PLANET advertise-may bring splendid results.

THE PLANET JUNIOR essay competitions have "caught on" and the girls and boys are taking a keen interest in them.

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The stories must be written about an advertisement that has appeared in The Planker during the peared in The Planker during the peasent month of November. The stories advertisement must be out out and advertisement must be out out and the story. The stories must arrive at The Planker office by Monday, November 30. They must be written in ink and on one side of the paper only and they must be original. Neatness and careful writing will be considered in making the award natham publishes two good news-pers, which are the Banner and tnet.

All school children in the city and county are invited to try for these essay prizes. CHATHAM.

RHODA CONIBEAR, 4. McKeough School.

Chatham is situated on the River Thames, which divides it into three parts, these are across the creek and North and South Chatham.

The people who lived in Chatham many years ago build the roads in the direction of the river, so that the roads are of an odd direction. About one hundred years ago this city was covered with unbroken forests in which bears, wolves and many other wild animals roamed and even fifty years ago it had but few scattered houses here and there. At these times Chatham had but few sjdewalks and what it did have were poor but they are now gradually being built up and many of the roads are being paved. Chatham owns her own dectric lights and waterworks, which are excellent. Almost every street in this city has electric lights. THE CITY OF CHATHAM.

In the centre of a great fertile plain, stretching from Lake St. Clair to Lake Erie, lies our beautiful, and prosperous city of Chatham. It is situated on the Thames River, and is divided by this river into two parts. This city, long ago, used to be a reat, unbroken forest, where wild

into three great divisions — North Chatham, South Chatham and over the creek. The place where Tecumsch made his stand against the pursuing Americans in 1812 is called, in his hon-The River Thames divides Chatham to three great divisions - North

The first inhabitants to occupy Chatham, long ago, let the streets fellow the course of the River Thames, but since then they have been made fairly wide, and mostly all of them are paved and usually lighted well at night by electric lights.

Chatham has many large and beautiful buildings. A few of them are: Post Office, City Hall, Harrison Hall, and the dry goods stores. It also has many large factories. The Campbell Franning Mill Co. manufacture fanning mills, the Canada Flour Mills Co. manufacture the best flour; the Wagon Works manufacture the best wagons. the Wilson Cordage Co. manufacture cord. Other factories are the Apple factory, the Wheel factory, the Spring and Axle Works.

The three most important lines of railway are the Grand Trunk, the Canadian Pacific and the Fere Marquette. These railways carry things from here to other countries. chatham has some of the finest being situated on victoria avenue and Lacroix street.

This city also has many fine manufacturing places. The Chatham Manufecturing Company, which now stands where the Van Allen lumber mills used to stand, makes wagons, carts, sleighs and lorries, which they ship to all parts, even as far as Australia. The William Gray & Sons makes buggies and cutters; the M. J.

Woollen Mills, which manufacture woollen goods of all descriptions. Chatham has three good four mills. T. H. Taylor has one of the finest flour mills in America.

This city sends its manufactured products to all parts of the world. Chatham has also some very fine buildings, such as the General and St. Joseph Hospitals, which are situated on the River Thames, one on the north side and one on the south side; the Separate, Central and Mc-Keough schools, the Collegate institute, the Convent, the Library the County buildings, the post office, the T. H. Taylor Flour Mills, the Water Works, Wm. Gray & Co., and the Sanitarium, to which people come from all parts of the world for their health. The people who work in the factories and buildings must have homes to live in, so there are fine residences that it is city. Victoria avenue and William street have some very pretty residences.

Many modern churches are established in Chatham for people to workip in. For the sick people we have two large brick hospitals—the General and the Catholic Hospitals.

We have a beautiful and pretty sanitorium over the creek, where people with the different diseases go to be cured by bathing in the mineral watter which comes from the mineral watter which comes from the mineral watter which comes from the mineral cellent servee in this city. The Grand Trunk and C. P. R. have good telegraph accommodation for the business

nik first. Its flour takes lirst prize horever it is exhibited. The T. H. sylor Company has the most up-to-tte mill to be found in Canada. Also connection this company has a fine

Chatham has some very fine stores, churches and hotels.

This cilty has some of the finest store fronts in Ontario, which are situated on the main street.

The two finest hotels in Chatham are the Garner and Rankin.

This city has also some very fine residences, which are placed on Victoria arenue, Lacroix street, and many others. We have many beautiful educational who have many beautiful educational schools in Chatham. A few of them are, McKeough, Central and Separate. For higher education we have the College and the Collegiate Institute, V. DYER.

Sr. 4th, McKeough School.

This city has two good parks, which are Tecumseh and Victoria. Tecumseh, or the new park, was named after a brave Indian General, who lost his life near this spot while trying to defeat the Americans. Victoria, or the old park, was named after our late "Queen Victoria." It is used especially for picnics. Chatham, taken on the whole, is a very fine city, according to its Chatham is a very prosperous city situated on the River Thames. The population of nearly ten thousand. This city is divided into three parts—north, south and across the creek. Chatham is in the centre of a broad, fertile plain, which stretches from Lake St. Clair to Lake Erie, and is sometimes called "The Garden of Canada."

СНАТНАМ.

Chatham has telephone wires running all over it, and telegraph wiaus which connect with other places.

This city has a fine gas works, from which the gas is used especially for houses and offices.

Chatham has two very nice parks, the more important being Tecumsch Park, which was named after an Indian hero, who lost his life usar this spot in the war of 1812. The other park is Victoria Park. Chatham has fine shipping facilities, both by rail

Aboat one hundred years ago this city was covered with unbroken forests, and even fifty years ago there were only a few houses scattered here and there. The people who lived in the direction of the river, so that many of the streets are a peculiar direction, but fairly wide. The streets are not in a very good condition, but they are rapidly being built up. Almost every street has good lights. Chatham has one of the finest markets to be found anywhere. This city has some very fine buildings. It has modern churches, about seven in number, two good hospitals, which are satuated on the banks of the river, one on the morth side and

Chatham has some very fine balldings. Some of the most important are, the county buildings, the court house, jail, post office, sanitarium, library hospitals, churches, schools, water works and gas house.

This city owns her own water works and electric lights, which are par excellent.

Chatham also has some large hotels, the most important being the Garner House, the Rankin House and the C. P. R.

This city publishes two good newspapers, daily and weekly, which are papers, daily and weekly, which are stuated on the main street, which is King. Chatham has the finest store fronts for its size in America.

rica.

This city has just as good a canning factory as there is in Canada.

There are three sets of railway running through Chatham—the Canadian Pacific, the Grand Trunk and the Pere Marquette.

Chatham is one of the most industrial cities of its size in Canada.

Jr. 4th, McKeough School.

THERE ARE OTHERS.

which are situated on the banks of the river, one on the morth side and one on the south side. It also has a grand sanitarium, which overlooks one of the finest parks in Canada, and to which, people come from all parts of the world. It also has a grand library which is situated on the south side of the river. This city also has three public schools — McKeough. Central and Séparate — and for the more advanced education we have the Collegiate Institute, to which pupils come from all parts of Kent, It also has the finest business College to be found in Canada.

Chatham has some fine residences, Ottawa Free Pres
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The very boundlessness of our desires to do good may defeat our binevolent purposes. Let us ain to do well what our hands are likely to spoon-plish.

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