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FLORENCE J.

Burgessville, Ont.

Dear Editor,—As I have seen no letters from Burgessville, I thought I would write one. I go to school and am in the senior third class. My papa teaches school here. He teaches one room and Miss Dennis teaches the other. We get the 'Northern Messenger.' I have two brothers and one sister. My sister and one of my brothers and I go to school. I am ten years old. My birthday is on Jan. 29. I go to Sunday-school most every Sunday.

FLOSSIE H.

Berwick, Nova Scotia.

Dear Editor,—Having seen no letters from Berwick for a considerable time I thought I would attempt to write a short letter. Berwick which is situated in the heart of the Annapolis Valley may properly be called 'The gem of the land of Evangeline.' The Provincial Camp Meeting Association of the Province of Nova Scotia's meetings are held here every year. Berwick has a magnificent climate, and a fertile soil. Potatoes are cultivated and grow in great abundance here.

L. V. M. (Aged 11.)

Windham Centre, Ont.

Dear Editor,—We take the 'Northern Messenger' and I enjoy reading it very much. I go to school and I am in the senior third book. I go to church and Sunday-school. My father is an elder in the church and the superintendent in the Sunday-school. We live on a farm and a big creek runs through it. I have two brothers and two sisters. My brothers enjoy swimming in the creek and when it is frozen we all go skating.

SARAH (Aged 10.)

Dunbogue, Ont.

Dear Editor,—This is my first letter to the 'Messenger.' I live on a farm. I have a little brother; he is three years old, and his name is Hugh. I have three pets: a dog, a pony and a kitten. We have a nice Sunday-school all the year around. Our preacher's name is Mr. Hicks. I go to school. I like my teacher, and my teacher's name is Mrs. Boyes. I am in the second book.

PEARL B. (Aged 9.)

Moncton, N. B.

Dear Editor,—This is my second letter to the 'Messenger,' at least I think it is. I write to tell you that I think that that shadow puzzle in the 'Witness,' dated Nov. 12, is Lord Roberts. I have two sisters and one brother. We have a dog. We had a cat, but we gave her away; she was a kitten instead of a cat. I am nine years old, my last birthday was on Feb. 23, and I wrote you my first letter to the 'Messenger' after my birthday or before my birthday. I am staying home from school. I had a bad cold, but now it is better.

RICHARD T. T.

Calgary, Alta.

Dear Editor,—I have found many a nice letter in the 'Northern Messenger.' My last letter is on the way to you. I like so much to have something to have to do. The first time I got the 'Messenger' I did not care for it. But I like it fine now. I have not seen any letters from Calgary. I am very fond of books.

JACK H.

Apple Hill, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I am a little girl, seven years old. I was pleased to see my letter in the Correspondence last year. For pets I have a white kitten. My birthday is on March 26. We live one mile from school. I have a little brother and a dear little sister. Papa and mamma like the 'Messenger' well and would be lonesome without it.

E. M. G.

Mountain View, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I am ten years, old and I am in the third reader. I have two sisters, Gertrude and Jessie. I have five pets, four rabbits and one cat. We have a horse and buggy; our horse's name is Guy. We all go to school every day; it is a mile and a half. My teacher's name is Miss Chase, and we all like her very much. My sister and I go to Sunday-school.

WILLIE S.

Hortonville.

Dear Editor,—I have never written to you before although I have taken your paper for some time, and like it very much. I live on a farm near the mouth of the Gaspereau River, and it is a very pretty place. I have two brothers and three sisters. One of my sisters is married and one of my brothers is a minister. We have a Mission Band here which meets every fortnight, and we take a paper in it, called the 'Palm Branch.' It is quite a nice paper. We had a concert and sale just the week before Christmas. My birthday is on Sept. 14, and I was twelve my last birthday.

GLADYS B. C.

Balmoral, Man.

Dear Editor,—My father is a farmer. I go to school. I have two miles and a half to go. I am in the second class. I have four sisters and two brothers. I am ten years old. My birthday is on Jan. 24. I go to Sunday-school every Sunday. I have three pets, one is a dog, called 'Collie,' and there are two cats. My father takes the 'Messenger.' He has taken it for over thirty years. I like to read the Correspondence very much.

VIOLET J. M.

Rose Hill.

Dear Editor,—I have taken the 'Northern Messenger' for nearly a year, and I like reading the Correspondence best. I have a mile to go to school. My teacher's name is Miss McMillan. I have three brothers and three sisters. We have three horses; their names are 'Lark,' 'Ben,' and 'Maud.' I live on a farm. I was thirteen years old on Dec. 16.

ALLIE S. Mc.

Kingston, P. E. Island.

Dear Editor,—My brother takes the 'Messenger.' I live on a farm. I go to school. I am in the third book, and I am nine years old. My birthday is on Dec. 3. I like to read the 'Messenger.' I go to Sunday-school. I have three brothers and five sisters. I have one cat and no dog.

JIMMIE B.

Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Editor,—My sister takes the 'Messenger,' and I like reading it very much. I wonder if any little girl has a birthday the same as mine, July 16. I am eight years old. My papa has taken the Montreal 'Witness' for about twenty years. I am in the second reader at school, and I go to the Methodist church and Sunday-school. My teacher's name is Miss Bennett; her birthday is on Nov. 9; it is on the same day as the King's I live in the city. I have one brother and two sisters; my biggest sister is ten years old and my smaller sister is two years old, and my brother is five years old.

ELSIE D.

St. John, N. B.

Dear Editor,—I have one sister and one brother. I am six years old. My sister is 12, and her name is Nellie, and my brother's name is Percy. Papa is a minister. I get the 'Messenger' in papa's Sunday-school. My teacher is Miss Lily Green. I love her very much; she tells us the lesson so nicely. I had a dog, named 'Colonel,' but he ran away. The Duke and Duchess were here, and we had a great time. Lots of the girls and boys are sick with their vaccinated arms, but ours are well again.

KATIE A. BEATTY.

P. S.—How do you like my writing.

[You write very well for such a little girl. Ed.]

Jessopville, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I thought I would write a little letter to the 'Messenger.' We have taken the 'Messenger' for about eight years and I like it very much. I have no brothers or sisters. I will be eight on March 22. I have a colt and I call it 'George.' I want my cousin, Edward A. to see this letter. I have two kittens and I call them 'Nig' and 'Minto,' and we have lots of fun together. I had a dear little doggie, named 'Trip,' but he got lost and I am very sorry. I used to hitch him up and go for a drive. I have a pet cow and I call it 'Lillie,' and a pet hen, named 'Curley.' I would like if the little person who wrote the letter from Smithville would write again and write the full name, for the initials are the very same as my papa's, 'M. W.'

MAGGIE S. W. (Aged 7.)

Allan's Mills, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I live on a farm about seven miles from Perth. I am in the second reader at school. We are going to have an examination and I am going to recite 'The Temperance Boy.'

'Cold water is the drink for me,  
I want no wine or brandy.  
It's good for all, it's pure and free.  
Besides it's always handy.

The drunkard likes a stronger drink  
That always brings him sorrow;  
It's fun to-day but want and woe  
Are sure to come to-morrow.

Then let us drink cold water, boys,  
'Twill bring us health and riches,  
And we will spend our nights at home  
Instead of in the ditches.

I think that is a very good advice.

GILBERT MUNRO (Aged 9.)

Synedoch, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I am a little boy ten years old. I have five pigeons; I keep their wings clipped. We have a horse, her name is 'Nellie.' I keep a pussy cat. We have three cows and one heifer and eight pigs. I go to Synedoch school. There are two teachers; their names are Miss Erie Roberts and Miss Hagerman. I am in the senior third book. My birthday is on July 6. Synedoch is a small country town; the population is about three hundred. There is a sulphur spring here. There are two members of parliament. There is a school house, a harness shop, Methodist church, an English church, a Presbyterian church, a Foresters' hall, and a Gospel hall. There are two blacksmith shops. We have been reading the 'Northern Messenger' for two years; I like it very much.

J. S. C.

Monument Station, York, N. B.

Dear Editor,—I am a little girl, twelve years old, and I have never seen a letter from Monument Station, so thought I would write. I have taken the 'Messenger' for nine months and I like it very much. I live on a farm. I have two sisters and three brothers at home. We have two horses, seven cattle, twelve sheep and a pet dog; its name is Roudy. I never go to school in winter, it is too far, so I enjoy reading the 'Messenger,' and I like to knit. I have knit two rugs and quite a lot of stockings. There were fourteen in our family, seven boys and seven girls. I wonder if there is any other little girl who writes to you that has so many sisters and brothers. Five of them are dead, four brothers and one sister; it is two years this month since my last dear brother died; he was twenty-one years old. We missed him very much. My birthday is on Aug. 13.

H. M. R.

Macedon, N.Y.

Dear Editor,—I have never written to the 'Messenger' before, but I have not seen any letters from here, so thought I would write a letter. Although my father is a Canadian I have never been in Canada to stay. I went across at Niagara Falls, but, of course, I did not see much of it. I have a brother and four cousins in the southern part of California, four miles from the boundary. One of my cousins is picking oranges and lemons. I am afraid if I were he I would be tempted to eat some of the oranges. When he is picking lemons he carries a ring around with him and every thing that will not go through it is pared off. As I was reading the Correspondence in the 'Messenger,' I noticed a letter from Josephine C., North East Point, N. S., who said she had her birthday on Nov. 19, which is the same as mine. I am eleven and wonder how old she is. I would like to correspond with her if she would write first. My address is

SARAH E. WILSON.

Macedon,

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New York.

NOTE.

Mrs. John Bates, of Rushview, Ont., has very kindly sent a copy of the poem recently asked for, 'A Library Smoked Away.' It was, however, printed in the 'Messenger' last week.