

Correspondence

Dear Boys and Girls,—Don't forget what we said about the hospital cot. Already we have received some gifts for it. If you can only send two or three two-cent stamps remember they will help, and that they will give you a share in caring for the poor sick children in Labrador. Be sure you say in your letter that the gift is for the cot.

Your loving friend,
THE CORRESPONDENCE EDITOR.

ABOUT OUR PICTURES.

'April Showers bring May Flowers' is the name of Willie's picture (6). On the umbrella he wrote a calendar for the month, which we didn't put in, as it wouldn't have come out distinctly in print. Probably you can easily imagine what it looked like, and draw one for yourself.

Olive (9) has drawn a picture of a bride and a little girl—perhaps her sister holding a doll, or a younger sister.

Arthur's schoolhouse (No. 3) is proudly waving its new flag. LeRoy sends 'A Forest Home.' Do any boys and girls live there, we wonder? Do they go to school and see other children, or do they live year after year doing their little chores, playing out in the woods, and learning their lessons to say to their father? Once in a while they have a glimpse of the outside world, perhaps, and what a wonderland it seems to them.—Cor. Ed.

Clyde, Ont.

Dear Editor,—As I did not see my last letter in print, I thought I would write again. I am sending you a picture, which I hope you will please put in your paper. I have named it 'A Rainy Day.' I am in the junior fourth class at school. I intend to try for the senior fourth at Easter. I like looking at the pictures on the Correspondence Page very much.

ETHEL G. S.

Drayton, Ont.

Dear Editor,—Papa drives me to school in the bad weather. I had a cat called Tommy. Our dog's name was Ponto. I go to Sunday-school at the Methodist church. I went with my sister to see a friend on a farm last summer. We went down to the rocks near the river and picked shells and pretty stones. There are eight hundred people in Drayton, and it is a busy town. Santa Claus was good to me last Christmas.

SADIE F. L. (age 11).

Cornell, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I have been taking the 'Messenger' for over three years, and I like it very much. The place where I live is up on a big hill, and we can see for miles in all directions. There are not many houses on our road, as it is so far from town. I am sending a drawing, and I hope to see it published soon. I am in the fourth book, and I think I will try the entrance this summer. I have one brother and two sisters. We have a farm of fifty acres and a stream called 'The Plum' runs through the back part of it. We have eleven cows and four horses.

'OXFORD BOY' (age 11).

Vankleek Hill, Ont.

Dear Editor,—This is my first letter to the 'Messenger.' My father is a doctor. I am nine years old. I have a twin-brother. I have five sisters and five brothers. We have a dog named Joe and two horses, and one cow. I go to school and am in the second room. My sister takes the 'Messenger.' This picture shows that when April showers come they bring the May flowers.

W. McL.

Hawkesville, Ont.

Dear Editor,—Quite a few people around here take the 'Messenger'; but as I have not seen any letters from this village, I thought that I would send one. I am twelve years old and I am in the highest class at school. Hawkesville is next to Conestoga, the prettiest village in this county. It has three stores, a sawmill, a flour mill, woollen factory and several other places besides a number of dwelling-houses. I have one sister and two brothers. My father has a horse and a cow. We have a new teacher in our school. I am sending a drawing which I hope to see in the paper. I saw Minnie E. M.'s question in the paper about

hiding the prophets. Obadiah hid the prophets by fifties in caves. He hid them from Jezebel. It is found in I. Kings xviii., 4.

KITTY B.

Price's Corners, Ont.

Dear Editor,—We get the 'Messenger' at our Sunday-school. I like to read it, and I think it is a nice paper. I am sending a picture, which I have drawn, and hope to see it printed in the 'Messenger' on the Correspondence Page. I live on the shore of Bass Lake, and the Government has prohibited fishing in the lake for two years. Our public school is getting up a concert with a view to getting a library for the school.

JOHNNIE N.

Stoney Brae.

Dear Editor,—I go to school every day. I am in the second book. I have six brothers and five sisters. My brothers are all older than myself. I live on a farm. We have two colts and two horses, and seven head of cattle. The railway runs through our place. With best wishes to all:

RUBY McL.

Winston, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I am a little boy ten years old, and take the 'Messenger.' My father is a farmer, and owns 120 acres of land. My little sister and I have got to do the chores, as my father is very busy this winter. We have one pig, two turkeys, thirty-six hens, three



- 'Swan.' Sadie F. L. (11), Drayton, Ont.
- 'Duck.' Ruby McL., Stoney Brae.
- 'Schoolhouse with Flag.' Arthur R. (8), Montreal, Que.
- Charles W. T. (10), Winston, Ont.
- 'A Forest Home.' LeRoy (11), Cornell, Ont.
- 'April Showers.' Willie McL. (9), Vankleek Hill, Ont.
- 'The Rose of Fairview.' Kitty B. (12), Hawkesville, Ont.
- 'Pears.' Pearl McL. (11), address not given.
- Olive H. (10), Gunter, Ont.
- 'A Rainy Day.' Ethel G. S. (12), Clyde, Ont.
- 'Pansies.' Lena R., Springfield, N.S.
- 'Ready for a Ride.' Johnnie N. (10), Price's Corners, Ont.

pigeons, fourteen sheep, two horses and twenty-six head of cattle. I have never written to the 'Messenger' before. CHARLES W. T.

Rushbrooke street, Montreal, Que.

Dear Editor,—I am a little boy of eight years. I came from Africa, and there was no snow there. The first time I saw snow I thought it was hail, because there was hail in Africa. I am sending you a schoolhouse with a Canadian flag.

ARTHUR J. R.

(We are very glad to see this picture. Who else will send us a picture of their school with their new flag up?—Cor. Ed.)

Gunter, Ont.

Dear Editor,—My aunt gave my brother the 'Messenger' when he was small, and I read it. I think it is very nice. I stay at my grandpa's most of the time, and go to school. There are six pupils in my class. I have two brothers and one sister. Richard is fifteen, Maud is thirteen, I am ten, and Judson is a little baby nine months old. My mother died in June, and it is very lonesome without her. My grandmother keeps the baby. I am sending a drawing.

OLIVE V. H.

Severn Bridge, Muskoka.

Dear Editor,—I go to school and read in the senior third. I have two brothers and two sisters. My eldest sister stays with her grandfather. I have thirteen uncles and twelve aunts, and one grandfather. He is over eighty years old, and I hope he lives for eighty more years, as I like to go to see him.

He lives on a farm. I have uncles living in British Columbia, Bracebridge, North-West Ryde, Dalton, Fenelon Falls, and Orilla, and cousins without number. I have something that all little girls or boys cannot boast of. I have a twin brother and a sister. My auntie has sent me the 'Messenger' now for six years and I like it very much.

BELLA B.

St. George, N.B.

Dear Editor,—I like the 'Messenger.' I live in New Brunswick now, but I was born in India eight years ago. I go skating every winter on a pond near our house. I have an air gun which father bought me, a little axe, and I like to go to the woods and cut wood. I have one little brother, but no sister.

E. D. F.

Kempt Road, N.S.

Dear Editor,—As I have never seen any letter from here, I thought I would write one. I have been taking the 'Messenger' for nearly three years, and like it very much. I have a large Maltese cat and kitten, whose name is Dina Ann; a little dog named Betty; and a fine horse named Jimmie. We had a fine convention in the Presbyterian Church where I go. I was at a party at St. Peter's, and I had a fine time. I have a cousin in Ottawa, and I like her very much, for she is a nice person; I have two cousins out west. Kempt Road is a nice place in the summer time, but it is very

cold in the winter. We live two miles from Cleveland, a very nice town. I hooked two lovely mats this winter. I suppose Santa Claus went to all the houses last Christmas. He came to see me and brought me a handsome suit.

MAMIE B. C.

(Mamie C. requested the words of a song. We cannot undertake to answer queries in this page, our space being limited. Any question of general interest may be sent to 'Questions and Answers' Dept. of the 'Witness.'—Cor. Ed.)

Windham Centre, Ont.

Dear Editor,—We have taken the 'Messenger' for three years, and like it very much. I go to school, and am in the fourth grade. I was at the Pan-American Exhibition at Buffalo, and saw a great many sights. I have three cats for pets. How many of the boys and girls are going to have a flower-bed this summer? I am going to have pansies, dahlias, carnations, sweet peas and verbenas. Will the boys and girls tell what flowers they like best? Will some person please explain how to grow peanuts, and what soil suits them best?

BERTICE W. P. (age 12).

RECEIVED FOR 'MESSENGER' COT IN
LABRADOR HOSPITALS.

W. J. Smillie, Inwood, 50c; Sadie R., Mount Uniacke, 10c; E. H. Racicot, Waterloo, \$1; Fred Clare, Alpine, Ont., 50c; Parents of Fred Clare, Alpine, Ont., \$1; L. A., \$1; Winnifred and Hazel Letts, Stanbury, 20c; W. W. Avery, MacDonald's Corners, 25c; Pearl R. L. Stone, Ceylon, 25c; total, \$4.80.