

Correspondence

ROYAL LEAGUE OF KINDNESS.

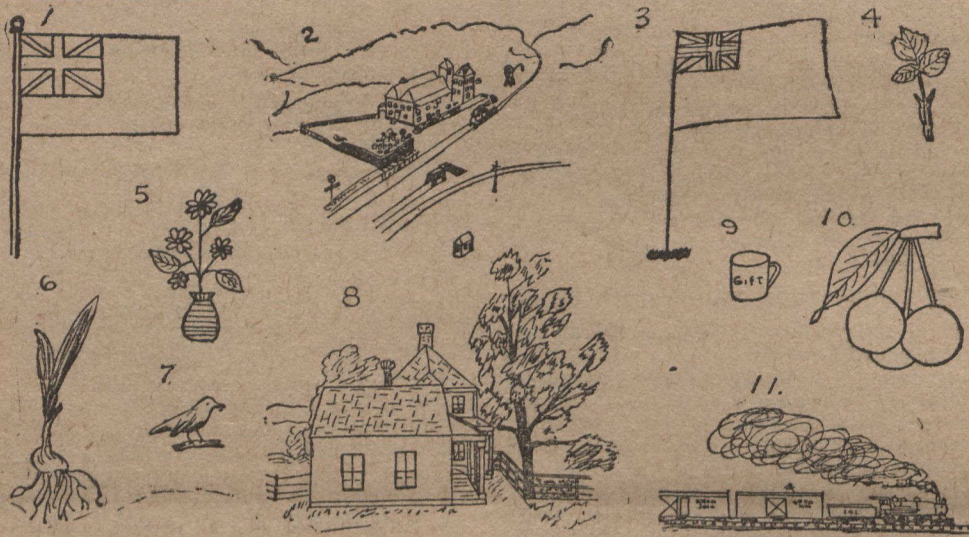


I pledge myself
To speak kindly to others,
To speak kindly of others,
To think kind thoughts,
To do kind deeds.

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Robie L. R. Eisner, B., N.S., is the new member to be welcomed this week. Some of our members say they find it difficult to keep their pledge. Of course, it is, and all of us will fail sometimes; the thing is to keep on trying, and if you have said an unkind thing, cap it with a kind word as soon as you can think of one to say. That doesn't mean go about flattering people all the time; flattery isn't kind at all. But you know that if you water a plant it will grow, and if you don't give it water it is likely to die, and it is just that way with the good that grows in people's hearts. If little brother is trying to keep the wood box well filled in the kitchen let him know that you notice it, or he may think that nobody cares how much trouble he takes; if little sister comes readily to help with the dishes when she had rather be out playing, be sure to thank her, instead of thinking what may be true enough, 'It is just what she ought to do.' It is just those things that we 'ought to do' that we all need to be helped in doing. Be careful to water the plants you want to grow.

North Bay, Ont.

Dear Editor.—This town of North Bay is called 'The Gateway to Silverland,' being

only a few hours' ride on the I. & N. O. Railway, to the great mining country, Cobalt. It is the county town for Nipissing district and is situated along the shore of Lake Nipissing, the population is about 7,000. We have splendid schools public, high, and normal, taught by the best of teachers. Once we were given the word 'Teachers' to find how many words could be made out of it. One of the pupils made 150. We enjoy the exercises, it is good mental work. I am nine years old, the youngest of five girls. We are a very jolly household. I will close with a riddle:—'Which would you rather have, a lion eat you, or a tiger?'

ALICE C. A.

O., Ont.

Dear Editor.—I have taken the 'Northern Messenger' for quite a long while, now, and like it very much. I think I will tell you a little story, as follows:

There was once a girl whose name was Fanny Burton. She was one of those girls who always intended to do well; she undertook many things, but soon grew tired of them, and got careless with them. She once had a

close now with a riddle: What relation is a door step to a door mat?

M. GERTRUDE SARGENT.

O. S., B.C.

Dear Editor,—I am a little boy seven years old. We have two white rats and a dog and five canary birds. We live on the shore of Okanagan Lake, and go in bathing every day, in the summer. We used to live in Vancouver and we are going there this summer to visit our grandma and grandpa. My father is the engineer on the C. P. R. here, and there are steamers that come in here every day.

VERNON S. CARLYLE.

Kincardine, Ont.

Dear Editor,—My home is in Kincardine, Bruce County, on the shore of Lake Huron. There are regular boats coming in here, and irregular. The dredge boat is cleaning the channel out now. The harbor is convenient to the G. T. R. station, and the station is large, commodious, new and beautiful. The population of our town is 3,000. We have several factories, boiler works, saw mill, employing some hundreds of men, and the usual hotels, stores and blacksmith shops. Two papers are published. Fifteen or more summer houses for tourists were built on the beach this spring. It is delightful in the summer. Favorite summer resort. Splendid accommodation. Soon the electric road will be here.

JOHN NORTHWAY McK.

H., Ont.

Dear Editor,—Our next door neighbors have a few rabbits, they are very cute. One morning I went to the fence to feed them and I saw one of the rabbits standing beside the bottle of milk (which was standing on the back porch), he got on his hind legs and tipped the bottle over and drank the milk. He did this for five mornings until the people found it out, and afterwards they told the milkman to put it on the window sill.

MURIEL EGGLETON.

W. T., N.S.

Dear Editor,—As I am writing I would like to tell you where I live. It is on a large farm five miles from Tatamagouche, and I think it is a very pretty place in summer. I go to school and have only half a mile to walk. We have the Mission Band in our section and we all like it.

GLADYS GERTRUDE TATHIE.

C., P.E.I.

Dear Editor,—I live near the river, and in summer we have a good time gathering stones and shells and building forts. I have a little garden of my own and have quite a few of my seeds planted already. We live about half a mile from school and Sunday School. We are having our vacation now. I am sending in a few riddles and hope some one will answer them.

(1) Why is Ireland the richest, country in the world?

(2) Why is a boy being whipped by his father, like a solar eclipse?

FANNIE E. SMITH.

S., Ont.

Dear Editor,—I have a collie dog ten years old. He is still able to draw me in a sleigh in winter, and a cart in summer time. I have three Sumatra hens and one rooster.

HILTON JOHNSON.

EFFIE BURNS (aged 12.)

R., Man.

Dear Editor,—We live on a farm 2½ miles from the little town of R. There is a rink there and I went to skate in it quite often in the winter and had lots of fun. It was blown over twice before it was opened. We live one quarter of a mile from school and I go every day. The teacher boards here, and we like her very much. There are not many going to school now, because a lot of people have the measles and the roads are not very good. We have two wolf hounds and they killed a wolf this winter. We have two other dogs and two cats. I have a doll and I like to make dresses for it. Its name is Maggie. I will

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