



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

DEAR COUSINS:—You remember that when Jesus was here on the earth He taught much in parable. A parable is a story which, true or not in itself, may be made to teach a great truth. Even a fairy tale may be a parable. The people in the East loved to hear stories. To this day a great crowd collects round a story-teller in the streets. So Jesus took advantage of their love of stories to tell them many wonderful truths.

We give you a beautiful little parable this month about the Coral workers. It is not a fairy tale, for it is a fact that there are just such little workers in the sea, building whole islands by their united efforts. They are insects so small and with so little life as scarcely to be distinguished from plants when all together—indeed for a long time it was thought that it was only vegetable life.

Do you see the great truth taught by the parable? Is it not that no one of you is too young, too small, to help in the work of the Lord? Your individual part may be a very little one, yet if you do it faithfully and well, you will come to see, by and by, that it has had its share in building up the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

DEAR COUSIN JOY:—This is the first letter I have written to you. I am 11 years of age now. I go to Happy Workers Mission Band. We take the PALM BRANCH, and think it is a nice paper. I am writing to thank you for the kind letter you put in the PALM BRANCH about our Band in the February number. We are now working to support a little Chinese girl in the Jenny Ford Home at Chentui.

I am your cousin,
Summerside, P. E. I. FLORA McLEAN.

We were much pleased to receive your letter Cousin Flora, for we remember you well. Glad too that you are working in so good a cause.

DEAR COUSIN JOY:—Mother and I got the PALM BRANCH this afternoon, and after Sunday School we had time to do the first two puzzles in the February copy of the PALM BRANCH. I used to go to the Brunswick St. Mission Band but we moved and I am not near enough

to go to it now, but I go to the Robie Street Junior League and we have some very nice meetings. One time we gave a Picnic to some poor boys and girls, and one of the girls we asked could not come because she had no boots, so we got a pair for her and she came and enjoyed our picnic. The answer to the questions of February are, (1) Dayspring, (2) Loyal Workers' Mission Band. I must now say good bye.

Yours sincerely,

Halifax, N. S.

RALPH P. BELL.

Glad to hear from you Cousin Ralph, you are an old acquaintance.

Cousin Pansy has sent us correct answers to two Feb. Puzzles and also one of her own.

DEAR COUSIN JOY:—I am going to write to you for the first time. We have a Mission Band called the Willing Workers, we meet once every month, we have a good number of members and have nice meetings. Miss White is our leader. We take the PALM BRANCH and enjoy reading it very much. My brother and I belong to it. This is all I will write for this time.

From your loving cousin,

Melgund, Manitoba.

BESSIE.

DEAR COUSIN JOY:—Although I am a boy I am a member of the Maggie Smith Band. I take the PALM BRANCH and like it fine, especially the puzzles. We meet fortnightly in summer and once a month in winter, and boys as well as girls are very much interested. I think I have the answers to the January puzzles: 1st—Mayflower; 2nd—New Year's Day; 3rd—Remember the Sabbath Day. I also have a puzzle which I will enclose if you think it worth publishing.

Lovingly yours,

N. S.

W. MURRAY GREENE.

PUZZLES FOR APRIL.

I am composed of 19 letters.

1, 5, 3, is a small animal.

8, 10, 18, 13, is used in a barn.

6, 14, 11, 15, is a female.

2, 3, 3, is what we all do.

4, 17, 19, is 2,000 lbs.

7, 9, is a conjunction.

10, 7, 19, is a place to keep things.

12, is a consonant.

My whole is the name of a married missionary.

West Cape.

ROY D. STEWART.

I am composed of 12 letters.

My 3, 11, is the name of a parent.

My 4, 9, 10, is not a part.

My 12, 8, 9, 7, is a nourishing liquid.

My 6, 2, 8, 9, 10, is an exercise.

My 1, 2, 5, 3, is a musical instrument.

My whole is the name of a beloved missionary.

N. S.

MURRAY.

I am composed of 12 letters.

My 7, 4, 11, 6, is a light.

My 10, 8, 9, is a color.

My 12, 5, 2, 3, 4, a liquid.

My 1, is a vowel.

My whole is a Christian festival.

P. E. I.

ROY T. LOWTHRE.