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have a long way to go. I am seven years old, and I am in the Part Second Book. I like going to school. I study arithmetic and geography. I have a black cat; her name is Mouser. I am glad I have no dog to put a muzzle on. I like reading "The Farmer's Advocate."

CECIL FERRIER.

Thornton, Ont.

Dear Puck,—This is my first letter to the Circle, so it will not be very long. I have got a dog named Tricks, and he is very fond of chasing stones. He will run after them all day. I have a cow named Daisy that I milk. I live near Ladner, B. C.

ADORA MCGREGOR (age 6).

Ladner, B. C.

Dear Puck and Beavers,—This is my first letter to the Circle. I live in Kent County. I go to school every day, and I have to go about two miles. My father takes "The Farmer's Advocate." We like it very much. I am so interested in the letters of this Circle that I thought I would write one too. I am nine years old, and I have two brothers, Alex, and Archie. Alex is seven years old and Archie five.

JEAN BLACKBURN (age 9).

Dresden, Ont.

Dear Puck,—Other little girls write to you, so I thought I should try. I have never gone to school, but I am seven years old, and mother taught me at home. I have feet nearly as long as she has, so perhaps you will print this. I read in the second book. I have no one to play with, not even a dog now, as it has a muzzle on, and even with that it might scratch me, and I should have to go to a hospital. I have lots of dolls and a Teddy bear. I think perhaps this is enough. Your new friend.

AGNES HUNTER

Millgrove, Ont.

(Age 7).

Dear Puck,—We live between three small villages, Hawkesville, Heidelberg and St. Jacob's. We go to school at Heidelberg. We have two miles to walk. I am in the Senior Second Class. At our examination this spring, I passed with the highest marks into that class.

For pets I have a three-colored cat (her name is Beauty), and my little brother Jonathan; he is two years old and can talk so funny. I think you are a lady, although most of the Beavers think you are a man. Here are a few riddles:

1. Why is a blind man like a liar? Ans.—Because all he says is blind talk.
2. Why should we never sleep on a railway carriage? Ans.—Because the train always runs over sleepers.
3. What is the difference between a tight boot and an oak tree? Ans.—One makes acorns, and the other makes corns ache.

KATIE MARTIN

(Age 9, Book II.)

St. Jacob's, Ont.

Queer Things.

II.

(Continued.)

Last day you learned that maggots, or things that you have often called "worms," may not be called worms at

all, but larvæ, that may finally "turn into" flies, bees, wasps, mosquitoes, "bugs," or even moths or butterflies, and perhaps you said to yourself, "Well, where did the larvæ come from?" You see, I am taking it for granted that you are already beginning to use these words.

Well, the larvæ were simply hatched out of eggs, the teeniest little eggs, which were laid by the full-grown female insect in dust, dirt, rotting wood, on water, or in the flesh of some fruit or vegetable, according to the species of the insect. The female house fly, you know, likes to lay her eggs in horse manure, best of all, while the codling moth is more dainty, and puts hers into a young apple. Away down South, there is even a kind of flea, the "jigger flea," which pierces the skin of people's feet, if she can get a chance, and puts her eggs in there. The eggs, of course, hatch out into larvæ; these grow bigger, and finally make a sore little lump, which has to be cut open so that the jiggers can be taken out.

All larvæ, then, come from eggs. The next step is very curious. All at once, the lively, wiggling creature, which has been sucking or eating nourishment as fast as it can—as you know by the way the cabbage worm, which is only a kind of larvæ, eats—lies very still in a crevice somewhere, and begins to grow a hard covering all over it. Some kinds even spin a covering of silky thread, called a cocoon, all around them. Perhaps you may have found one of these cocoons fastened to a shrub or fence. Now, for a while it lies as still as a little mummy in its hard case, or soft cocoon, but all the time queer changes are going on. The prolegs are disappearing, the body is becoming divided more distinctly into the three parts: head, thorax, and abdomen, and wings are slowly being formed. When the change is complete, the creature, now a full-fledged insect, becomes restless, and begins to struggle, and, finally, out it pops through a hole in the cocoon, or pupa-case. . . . While it is changing from the larvæ, or caterpillar, to the winged insect, by the way, it is not called larvæ, but "pupa." So, now you know what a pupa is. If you examine one closely, you will find queer little leg and wing forms taking shape on it.

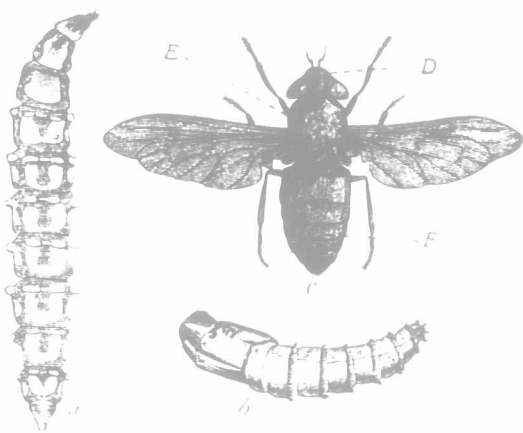
Now, do you think you will ever look at a maggot, or "worm," or caterpillar again without being interested in it? You see, you know now that these queer things are just baby flies, or beetles, or wasps, or butterflies, or ever so many other things, according to the kind of larvæ it may be.

PUCK.

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