

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.

Anyone may become a member of the R. L. of K. by copying out the above pledge, signing and sending it to the editor.

PLEDGE CARDS.—For those who wish to have them, we issue neat and durable pledge cards, 4 inches by 6, printed in purple and white, and ready to hang on the wall. Single cards, five cents and two cents for postage; six cards to one address, twenty-five cents and two cents for postage.

BADGES.—We also issue for sale with the pledge

I enjoyed the trip very much. I have one brother and he came to this country the same time as I did. Now I have an adopted mother, two brothers, and three sisters. We get the 'Messenger' every week, and we like it very much. This is the very first letter I have written to the 'Messenger.' One of my sisters says she used to write sometimes. We have two milking cows, one little calf and three sheep. I am very fond of working on a farm.

GEORGE PERCIVAL MacDONALD.

D., Ont.

Dear Editor,—I live on a farm. I have a little puppie named Watch, and a cat named Midget. My papa got me a little Shetland pony a year ago, and I have a little buggy and cutter for her. Her name is Maud. I have lots of fun with her.

IRVINE SHAW (aged 9).

B., Ont.

Dear Editor,—The 'Messenger' was sent to me by a dear friend, and I am ashamed to say that this is my first letter. I live in a

go bathing and enjoy it very much. We have a very nice sand-bar here. We have a new elevator and we expect a flour mill here soon. My father is a caretaker of a grove now. We often visit many places in our auto in summer.

HAZEL LESLIE.

S. C., Ont.

Dear Editor,—The mosquitoes are very bad around here, they would fairly take a chunk out of you. The spring is very beautiful. A few days ago the leaves just uncurled, now they are out in full leaf. Elva is thirteen and Gladys is twelve. We are very glad that summer is coming, so we can go to the Georgian Bay for a swim. We are very good swimmers. We suggest that we get something new to write on besides pets. There are five girls that chum together including us. One of our chums stopped school at Christmas. We both intend to try our Public School, leaving at midsummer.

GLADYS AND ELVA.

O., N.S.

Dear Editor,—I live on a farm north side of the Cobequid Mountains. We have a beautiful view of them from my home. A river runs through our farm, where I fish and play in summer. I have two cousins in B.C. I get letters from them often. I have four brothers and one sister who is married and has two little boys. I received your 'Pansy Blossom' picture and was very pleased with it.

MAMIE R. CARRUTHERS.

N. H., C.B.

Dear Editor,—I think that the Royal League of Kindness is a very nice pledge. I don't go to school now, as an old lady that is teaching us was sick, but she is getting better now, and while she was sick I had to help mother. But I am going soon. I am in the Fifth Book, but I have not been to school long. I was seven years old when I came from Newfoundland, and I was eight before I started school. In my next letter I am going to tell about my life in Newfoundland and my home here.

ESTHER DOWLING (age 13).

M., Ont.

Dear Editor,—I live with my auntie and uncle and have no brothers or sisters. My mother and grandmother are both dead. We live near a creek, and in the winter time I have a lot of fun on the creek. Some children have a mile and a half to go to school. About forty children go to this school, and we have a lot of fun. We had two dogs but we had to kill one. It was a pretty little white one.

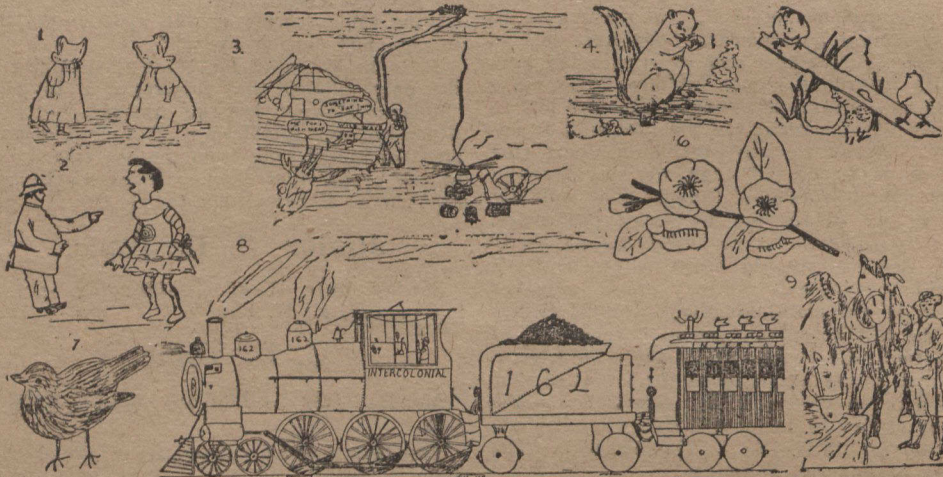
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N.B.—Watch for the prize list of the three months' competition just now closing. Six splendid prizes! Who will get them? Look out for new announcements. Get in at the first. The Dominion Day number will be a fine seller, too. See advt. on another page. Any boy reader may become an agent and make lots of profit. Particulars for the asking.



OUR PICTURES.

1. 'Out to Meet Dannie.' P. C. L., Belwood, Ont.
2. 'Caught.' Francis Theodore Fraser (age 15), Montreal.
3. 'At the Bottom of the Sea.' John W. Paton (age 11), Montreal.
4. 'The Nut Cracker.' Clarence Adams (age 12), S., B.C.

5. 'The Chicks' See-Saw.' Annie Kreiss, A., Ont.
6. 'Poppies.' Mima Frances Heels, V. H., Ont.
7. 'A Bird.' James Cowie (age 8), Toronto.
8. 'I. C. R. Engine.' W. A. S., T., N.S.
9. 'At the Watering Trough.' Frederick Ralph Burford (age 10), H., Ont.

card, if desired, a neat brooch pin of fine hard enamel, in the above design of a bow in our own league colors, purple and white. Single badge with pledge card, and postage included, twenty-five cents; five badges with pledge cards and postage included to one address, one dollar.

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Edna Campbell, and W. Arthur Campbell, N., Sask., and Irene Douglas, S., Ont., are the new members for the league this week.

Winnipeg.

Dear Editor,—I received my Maple Leaf Brooch which I think is very pretty, then about three days later I received the 'Pansy Blossom' pictures, and, when I took two of the pictures to the new subscribers they thought they were very pretty, too, and I thank you very much for them. I like reading the stories in the 'Messenger,' for there are always some nice ones. I am not going to school now, but when I go I am in Grade Eight.

FAYE SMITH.

Ottawa.

Dear Editor,—I go to school every day and we have lots of fun, so many girls to play together. I came from the country when I was only two years old. I have just one brother. We do like to read the 'Messenger' every week. We have a dear little canary bird, it sings beautifully. In summer vacation I love to go to the country to see all my cousins. We have a lovely time playing in the barn.

KATHLEEN MELDRUM.

E. V., Que.

Dear Editor,—I am an English boy and came from England three years ago this June.

little town which was built up by a mining company, as there are four or five iron mines within about three miles, and they ship the iron ore by train. It passes by our house several times in the day. All was shut down in the fall, but I am glad to say that the whistles are blowing and everything is starting up again. I have no brothers or sisters, and my only pet is a lovely big kitty. I also have three dolls.

JANET BRUCE.

M., Ont.

Dear Editor,—As I see that a lot of the boys and girls have joined the R. L. of K. I think I will also become a member. I think it is a very good plan, and I hope that I will carry out my pledge and do as it asks me to do. I attend the Presbyterian Church in Perth, a pretty little town about six miles from here.

DORIS McPHAIL.

O. S., Ont.

Dear Editor,—We live on a farm near the lake shore. It is a very nice place in summer, because we can go down to the lake and gather shells and pretty pebbles, while in the winter we can skate and slide. It was too stormy to walk to Sunday School, so my brother Willie drove my sister Mary and me. There were thirty-five there and we got fifty cents in collection. We have a lot of pretty flowers.

JEAN MacLELLAND.

P. C., Ont.

Dear Editor,—I am a member of the mission band here and we are going to have a cantata. My friend M. S. and I are taking part. We live near Lake Erie and we often