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THE COW DIED

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—I have four brothers and no sisters. Three of us will be going to school this summer. We have school in the summer but not in winter. We walk to school half a mile. We live on a farm. We have four pigs and five horses. We had four oxen, but one of them died, and I had a cow named May but she died too. We have three cows left now. My brother Mervyn and I are fond of reading. Papa takes the *Youth's Companion*, *Family Herald*, *Free Press*, *Telegram*. We always read the Children's letters.

LEILA MITCHELL. (9)

Saskatchewan. (c)

NOT ENOUGH SCHOLARS.

Dear Editor:—We have eighteen head of cattle, fifteen pigs, one dog, four cats and seven horses. I am nine years old. My birthday was the day after Christmas. I have two sisters and two brothers older than myself; and one brother younger. We have had a lot of snow this winter. I do not go to school, as there have not been enough children to keep it open.

ELLA BRYDON. (9)

Manitoba. (c)

A GOOD NAME.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—I am going to try to be one of your children in the Corner. My father has taken the *FARMER'S ADVOCATE* and he likes it very well. We have twelve head of stock and seventy-six fowl. I am in grade four. I have two brothers but no sisters. We live in Last Mountain Valley.

GEORGE WASHINGTON BOOTH. (10)

Saskatchewan. (c)

school. I am in the third reader and our teacher's name is Mr. M.

WILLIE TAYLOR. (14)

Saskatchewan. (a)
(Are you not "George Wilfred" the same boy?—C. D.)

BAKES BREAD.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—We have taken the *FARMER'S ADVOCATE* for five years and I like reading the letters in the C. C. and I was glad to see my first letter in print. One time when mamma went to town my sister and I stayed at home and I baked the bread. I have baked the bread twice since and I bake all the cakes for my mamma. We have got twelve pigs and five head of cattle. I have got two dolls and I am patching a quilt. I was sorry to hear of Margaret Garrett's death. I was out to see my grandma last summer and she is 67 years old. Both of my grandpas are dead and one of my grandmas.

ELIZABETH MAY PETTIGREW. (12)

Manitoba. (c)

ARNOLD AND LAWRENCE.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—I was very glad to see my first letter in print. My father has taken the *FARMER'S ADVOCATE* for some time and I like to read the Children's Corner very much. I have one sister and no brothers. I have an aunt lives two miles away. She has two little boys, one three years old and another one year. One's name is Arnold and the baby's name is Lawrence. I was very sorry to hear of Margaret Garrett's death.

Manitoba. (c) IDA PETTIGREW. (14)

A GOOD GARDEN.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—My eldest brother has taken the *FARMER'S ADVOCATE* for a long time and thinks it is a good paper. I enjoy reading the letters in the C. C. I have one sister and two brothers. I live on a ranch twenty miles from Calgary. We have no school here yet, but mamma teaches me at home. I had a little garden of my own last year and grew potatoes, carrots, radishes, lettuce, onions, parsnips, cress, beans and turnips. We have seven horses, six head of cattle, forty hens and two pigs. I have a little pony and I call him Billie. He will start to run when he gets half way down a hill and then he will try to buck me off. Well I will close telling you a riddle. What is the difference between a gentleman and a dog's tail? Ans.—The gentleman keeps a carriage and the dog's tail keeps a waggin'.

Alberta. (a) HENRY O'HARA. (9)

WENT TO SCHOOL ON SKEES.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—I have been a reader of the Corner for many months, so I think it is my turn to write now. Our farm is fifteen miles southeast of Wetaskiwin, and three miles north of Battle Lake. We lived in Boston before we came up here five years ago. This country suits me well in the summer time, but the winters are too cold and snowy, especially last winter. My brother and I have been going to school every day, although at one time the snow was about three feet deep and the thermometer at forty-five degrees below zero. But the latter part of the winter we went to school on our skees. I am in the fifth class, and next summer I intend to try the exam. Our school house isn't a very warm affair, but this summer we will have a better one. My dog's name is Prince.

Alberta. (a) EDWARD PETERSON. (11)

MAKING FRIENDLY ADVANCES.

NO RAG DOLL, EITHER.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—I like the letters in the *ADVOCATE*. I thought I would write one too. I am eight years old and have not gone to school much yet. I learn some lessons at home, but mother says I could learn better if I did not get lazy. I have two sisters both younger than myself, Gladys and Edith. Edith is the baby. She is nearly three years old and she is like a doll, but no rag doll either. Father says she is the real thing. I never wrote any letters before except to grandma. I hope this will be good enough to print in the *ADVOCATE*.

RUTH MCGREGOR.

Manitoba. (c)
(I like your letter. It sounds natural—C. D.)

TWO MILES FROM SCHOOL.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—This is my first letter to the Children's Corner. I was nine years old in March. We have twenty-four horses and eighteen head of cattle, one dog and its name is Toby. I am going to school and in the third reader.

CARL WAUGH.

Qu'Appelle Co, Sask.

GOOD BIG CROPS.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—My father has taken the *FARMER'S ADVOCATE* for a long time and he likes it very well. We have about twenty-seven head of cattle seven pigs, six horses and a great number of hens. My father has got a half section of land and he gets a good big crop off it every year, when it does not freeze. I have two brothers and six sisters. There are four of us going to

A TINY MEMBER.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—This is my first letter to the *FARMER'S ADVOCATE* and I am just six years old. I go to school every day that the weather is fit, but I live a mile and a half from school. My sister was married on the 20th of March. I have three dogs, two cats and two ducks. My father has taken the *FARMER'S ADVOCATE* for five years.

Manitoba. (c) MARY GEMMILL. (6)

FOUR DOLLS.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—I live a mile and a half from the town of Minto. I go to school every day and am in the fourth book. Our teacher's name is Mr. L—. I have four dolls, called Rose, Lily, Violet and Daisy. I have a dog called Jack, who pulls me around on my sleigh. I have taken thirteen music lessons and am very fond of music.

Manitoba. (b) IRENE DONLEY. (10)

LIKES THE INGLE NOOK, TOO.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—We live on a farm about three and a half miles east of M—. My sister and I drive into town every day to school. Last winter we had some cold drives, but we enjoyed them though. The school which I used to attend is one mile south of us, but we have no teacher at present, so my youngest brother goes into town with us.

Father had to melt snow in the winter to get water for the cattle and horses. We have two old wells but they are nearly dry and so we had a new one dug. The men did not strike a good vein of water, so all three wells do not supply enough water.

Mother and I used to look after the hens before I started to town school, but now I have very little time, so father helps mother.

I like reading very much and have read a good many books, the last one being the "Wide, Wide World" which I think is a beautiful book. Father has only taken your valuable paper for one year, but I like the Children's Corner and Ingle Nook, the latter being very helpful sometimes.

Manitoba. (a) FLORENCE ROSE.

(Look in the Jan. 23rd, 1907, issue, and you will see that your brother was wrong this time.—C. D.)

MINDING THE BABY.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—I have been reading the letters in the Children's Corner and thought I would write a short letter. My father has taken the *ADVOCATE* ever since I can remember and thinks it a good paper. I have two brothers and three sisters. We have three cows, seven horses, four pigs and a number of hens. I am seven years old. My baby sister is six months old and can laugh out loud. I take care of her a good deal.

Alberta. (b) FLORENCE M. FOSTER.

SOMETHING ABOUT FLORIDA.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—I thought I would write again. The other morning I saw three or four robins as my brother and I were going to school. A week ago the pussy-willows were out dressed in their grey hoods. For a great many weeks the birdies have been flying around our buildings. Mother calls them her feathered guests. I can do plain needle work, and during the cold weather I was learning to knit. An aunt of ours passed the winter in Florida and she wrote us: "The thermometer is eighty-two degrees in the shade." Oranges and bananas grow in Florida.

Alberta. (a) MAY CARTER. (12)

MUSIC AT THE SUPPER.

Dear Cousin Dorothy:—I wrote a letter before and was glad to see it appear. We had a lot of house plants and they got frozen last winter. I have a calf and a colt. I feed the calf hay, straw and milk. We had an oyster supper when my two sisters were home from teaching school. I had a good time. We had music on an accordeon and a violin.

Manitoba. (b) LARK KILFOYLE.