

Correspondence

N., Man.

Dear Editor,—As I like writing letters, I thought I would write a letter to you.

We have had a very nice winter here, not any blizzards. This last week has been quite frosty, but clear and bright. There was a terrible thing happened last Saturday. Mr.

thing we find very different, we used to go out in the spring and gather all the violets we wanted along the road side, and I can tell you a bank of primroses was something beautiful. But then, we have many pleasures here we did not have in the old country. We had a lovely sleigh ride the other night by moonlight, and we have our sleds and snow shoes and skates, and lots of things, so that altogether I think children have a better time in Canada than in England. I am nine years

is big at the bottom, little at the top, something in the middle that goes wibetywop, is an old-fashioned churn, and the answers to E. Donaldson's puzzles: Why are A, E, and U the handsomest of the vowels, is because they are all in the word beautiful; and the one what has a tongue, but cannot talk is a waggon.

Joseph W. T. asks what Psalm in the Bible has only two verses, is the 117th Psalm. I must close now with some puzzles:

1. What has eyes yet cannot see.
2. What has ears, yet cannot hear.
3. What has a nose, yet cannot smell.
4. What walks with its head downward.
5. When does water stop running down hill.

6. If there are four corners in a room, a cat in each corner, a cat facing each cat, and a cat on each cat's tail, how many cats are there.

MARGARET A. ELLIS.

C., N.B.

Dear Editor,—This is my first letter to the 'Messenger.' My brother takes it. Some friend is sending it to him. I like it very much. We have been having good skating and sliding this week, but it snowed to-day. The answer to Amy Troat's riddle is: 'The dog's name was Yet.' The answer to Clara A. is: 'Because he can't run under the hill.' The answer to S. E. Paul's puzzle is: 'A candle.' I go to school. Our school used to be a superior school when papa went to it, but the boys and girls grew up and moved, till we only had six or seven, but now it is slowly growing. We now have about twenty.

ROBENA RICHARDSON.

M., P. E. I.

Dear Editor,—I skate every week, and have read a few books. I will send a riddle:

Old Mother Twichen had but one eye, and a very long tail, every time she went through a gap she left a bit of her tail in a trap.

CHARLES E. RATTEE.

S., Ont.

Dear Editor,—I live on a small farm. I go to school. I am in the Third Reader. My teacher's name is Mr. B., and we all like him.

I saw two riddles. One was from Eva M. Nichols. I think it is a churn. There was another from Willie McDonald. It is there were two apples on the tree. He took one apple off and left one on. I am sending one too: 'A ridde, a riddle, I suppose, a hundred eyes and never a nose.'

JESSIE CARROLL (10).

S. Z., Ont.

Dear Editor,—As I have seen many letters in the 'Messenger,' I thought it was my turn to write. I live five miles from W. I have three sisters and three brothers. My sister and I go to school every day. The school-house is about a mile from our place. As I was reading this week's correspondence page I saw a conundrum, 'How many words are there in the Bible?' I think there are 773,746 words. How many can answer how many times is the word 'And' contained in the Bible? To the question 'what grows with the root upwards?' I have a different answer to it. It is the teeth in the upper jaw.

D. JOHNSON (10).

T., Ont.

Dear Editor,—I have just started to take the 'Messenger,' although I often read it before. My aunt, who takes it, gave it to me after she had read it herself.

I am thirteen years old, and am in the jr. fourth class.

The answer to Gertrude Koob's riddle is an icicle. Here is a riddle: 'A blind beggar had a brother; this brother died. What relation was the beggar to the brother?'

MAY BRACKENRIDGE.

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OUR PICTURES.

1. 'Barn.' Thomas Anderson, H. Que.
2. 'House wren.' L. M. Frayne (10), E., Ont.
3. 'Child and lilies.' Marjory Armour, A. M., Ont.
4. 'Rabbit.' Mary Ament, T., Ont.

5. 'Wild rose.' Jennie D. (11), G. B., Ont.
6. 'Primrose.' B. B. C., T. B., N.B.
7. 'Mouse.' Lizzie Anderson, H. Que.
8. 'Rabbit.' Ethel L. Lutes (11), S., M., N.B.
9. 'Head.' Minnie Anderson, H. Que.

T., the man we got our place from, was frozen to death. We were all very, very, sorry. My aunt and cousins are coming out from Ontario. We expect them to-morrow. She has a farm near Killarney Lake. There hasn't been any school here this winter, until the fifth of March. I was glad when it started, as I like going to school. I like reading, and I have read a number of books. My favorite ones are 'Black Beauty,' 'Beautiful Joe,' and 'Uncle Tom's Cabin.' I am an only child, and am ten years old. I take the 'Messenger,' and saw some riddles, which I think I can answer. The answer to E. Donaldson's one: What has a tongue and cannot talk, is a waggon, and lots of other things. Eva Nichols's: What is big at the bottom, little at the top, thing in middle goes wibetywop, is a churn. The first one of Willie McDonald's is the letter M. The 117th Psalm has two verses. I am sending some riddles.

1. Formed long ago, yet made to-day, and most employed while others sleep, few would wish to give away, and none would wish to keep?

2. What animal looks most like a cat?

3. What four letters would frighten a thief?

MABEL BREBNER.

M., P. E. I.

Dear Editor,—I take the 'Messenger,' and think it is a very nice paper. I go to school, and am in the second book. The books I have read are: 'Winnie's Golden Key,' 'Marjorie and Benny,' 'Angel's Christmas,' and some others. I am eight years old. I have three brothers and one sister.

I am sending a riddle: 'As I went through the garden gap, who should I meet but Dick red cap, a stick in his hand, and a stone in his throat. Tell me this riddle, and I'll give you a groat?'

BESSIE RATTEE.

P. C., Que.

Dear Editor,—I always like the letters in the 'Messenger,' which we get at Sunday School. I thought I would like to write one if you will please print it. I have been three years in Canada, and I like this country very much. I think the birds here are lovely, but they do not sing so sweetly as the plainer looking birds in England. There is another

and a half old, and I have three brothers, and no sister.

KATE PEWTRESS.

P., Ont.

Dear Editor,—This is my first letter to the 'Messenger.' I take the 'Messenger,' and like it very much.

The answer to Edyth Brooks's question is once in the ninth verse of the eleventh Psalm. Joseph W. T. asked which Psalm contained only two verses. The answer is the 117th Psalm. Now I will ask a question: What two verses in the Bible are the same?

The answer to Eva M. Nichols's riddle is a churn. We had a carnival here. I dressed for it, but never took a prize. My sister got a ring for first prize.

I am very fond of reading, and have read several books, some of which are: 'Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch,' 'Poor Jack,' 'David Copperfield,' and several others.

ELLA DAWSON.

P.S.—Willie J. W. asks how many letters are there in the Bible. There are 3,686,489.

S., N.S.

Dear Editor,—I do not take the 'Messenger,' but my sister does. I like it very much. I am nine years old, and I am in the fourth reader. I have two sisters and two brothers. I can answer some of the riddles. The answers to E. Donaldson's riddles are: 1st, water; 2nd, boot. And to Eva M. Nichols's, a churn. And to Willie McDonald's, the letter M. I am going to send some.

1st.—How many can place the figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 so that when they are added up the total will make 100?

2nd.—What goes up stairs on its head?

WILTON SAUNDERS.

J., N.B.

Dear Editor,—As I did not see any letters from this place I thought I would write one, which I hope to see in print. My sister takes the 'Messenger,' and I like to read the stories. Our teacher's name is Miss M., and we all like her.

I am going to answer some of the puzzles. The answer to Eva M. Nichols's puzzle, What