



CHILDREN'S CORNER

ANSWERS TO
LETTERS RECEIVED
BY UNCLE DICK

Audrey Etta Waddell—You have written a nice letter Audrey, and also shown great skill in the Composition Contest, of course the result will be known next week.

Kathryn Wilson—I must compliment you upon the splendid heads you have drawn with the use of sixteen, or less lines. They show great originality. I should very much like to see more of your sketches.

Willie Harris—You have made most original drawing and well deserve the place given in the prize list. Its pity you made your drawing in pencil as otherwise I would have published same.

Rae Fraser—To have three good sketches from three brothers is quite a record, and I must say you appear to be an artistic family.

Gordon Fraser—You have made a very good sketch, but why did you all give the man the same kind of hat? Your work interests me.

John Fraser—Let me see some more of your sketches, as I may be able to help you. You do not print.

Norma McDermid—Thank you for your nice letter, yes the result was given in last Saturday's Corner. Don't give up trying, but do your best in each contest. Write again soon.

Frank Dykeman—Many thanks for the jokes, etc. I am pleased you find the Corner so interesting. The result of Trades' Contest will be published next week.

Maude Barker—So you like the painting certificate. Well now you must go ahead and get the first prize. I shall look out for some of your work soon.

Grenville Craft—You made quite a good sketch considering you are only nine years of age. Let me have a letter from you soon.

Violet Rankin—So you think I am like the sketch you sent in, but you haven't given me any hair! You are a clever little artist to be only 5 years old.

Rena Perry—I am very pleased to have you among my Cornerites and hope you will continue to enjoy the page. Write me again soon, I like getting your letters.

Josie A. Weaver—I got your letter addressed to the editor, and hope you will continue to let me have your interesting letters, only address to "Uncle Dick." Yes, I am publishing the jokes.

Stanley Dykeman—Certainly, I am glad to have you as a member. Have a good try in the contest, Stanley and I shall watch for your work.

Ada Hanlin—Thank you for the nice letter, Ada, I wish you would write more often, as I like getting the letters.

Nellie V. Erb—You made quite an original sketch Nellie and mounted same most artistically. You deserve the certificate awarded you.

Dorothy Thompson—If you had made the sketch as good as your printing of the name, you might have got the prize Dorothy. Of course the sketch was good, but I am sure you could do better.

Audrey Hanlin—I don't appear to have had any coupon with your letter in the contest. Let me have another letter from you, Audrey.

Eletta Dixon—You made quite an original sketch, Eletta, but did not do well enough to get the prize.

Marguerite Allan—You did well in the contest Marguerite, and well deserve the prize which I am awarding you.

Georgie West—I hope this will not be the only contest you enter for and remember neatness always counts, you write very well, let me have another letter again.

Harry Walte—I quite expected you would do a good face sketch and am awarding you accordingly. It was most original.

Willie Brock—I quite understand about the game, and also hope that you liked the job. Yes, stick in Willie. Do your work on larger pieces of paper, it looks better.

Winnie Brock—If your sketch had been just a little more neatly drawn, you would have got a prize as your subject is most original.

Austin Cowan—Your attempt was received, and the result will be known next week.

Olive Case—What a neat writer you are Olive. Thanks for the good wishes. Your face was well drawn.

Dorothy Warren—You are one of the most neat writers who write to me. Thanks for the list of jokes, etc. which I am using.

Doris Williams—The result of the Trades' Contest will be made known next week. You are a neat writer.

Lawrence Wiggin—Why didn't you make a larger drawing, the subject was well done.

G. R. Bruce—You have made a very clever sketch in sixteen lines, and the subject was good. Let me have more of your work.

Extracts from The Mail Bag

Interested in Corner.

Lower Jemseg.

Dear Uncle Dick:—I have become greatly interested in your Children's Corner, and I am sending in my first attempt, and hope I will be successful.

Your nephew,
Frank Dykeman.

A Nice Writer.

River De Chute.

Dear Uncle Dick:—Thank you for the certificate of merit which I received for the painting contest. I am sending the face of a man and the coupon. Yes, Uncle Dick, I am writing to the Children's Corner once before, it was in the jumbled word contest.

Yours truly,
A. Maude Barker.

A Nine Year Old New Member.

Freeport, N. S.

Dear Uncle Dick:—I am a little girl nine years old, and my papa takes the Standard. I always read the Children's Corner, and I am very much interested in it. I am sending my first drawing and would like to enter the contest.

Yours sincerely,
Rena Perry.

Write to Uncle Dick Next Time.

Cumberland Bay.

Dear Editor:—

I am a little boy of twelve years old, and I would like to be a correspondent of yours, as my grandfather takes the Standard. And I like to read it. I am sending you some riddles, would you please publish them?

Your nephew,
Josie A. Weaver.

Yes, Write Again.

Lower Jemseg.

Dear Uncle Dick:—

My father has been taking the Standard for some time and I have been reading the Children's Corner and thought I would like to join the Corner.

I am sending in my drawing of a man's face, with sixteen straight lines. I cannot draw very good, but I am going to try. This is my first attempt.

Your loving nephew,
Stanley Dykeman.

Jokes Are Published This Week

St. John, N. B.

Dear Uncle Dick:—

I am trying the drawing contest this week, and hope I succeed in winning the prize. I was very glad to see by the paper that you had sent a success with the Children's Entertainment. I am also sending in some riddles and jokes.

From your niece,
Dorothy Warren.

A Most Neatly Written Letter.

Wickham, N. B.

Dear Uncle Dick:—

I am sending in the week's contest. Hope it will be alright. School will soon be started and I will be very glad. I am using thicker paper this time in drawing the man's face.

With best wishes,
Olive Case.

P.S.—I forgot to cut the latter part off, so will have to send it separate.

You Write a Nice Letter.

My Dear Uncle Dick:—

I am going to try again to win the watch. My little brother is also trying to win a prize. My age last birthday was fifteen.

Your niece,
Ada Hanlin.

Uncle Dick's Chat

With the Children

My Dear Kiddies:—

What great fun you all seem to be having in your endeavor to draw faces with only sixteen straight lines. Although you have had all kinds of contests, and the entries in same have been most original, and numerous, I never remember having had such a splendid assortment of really fine sketches, and you gave me one of the most difficult tasks in judging I have ever had. I am sorry that some of you made your drawings in pencil, as I had intended publishing the best, but they cannot be reproduced so well when not carried out in ink.

Already you have sent in a great number of entries in the "Trades"

contest, but I notice there are many of our regular Cornerites who have not as yet competed. No doubt you are taking the full time allowed so as to arrive at the best results. In any case I shall expect a record number of lists, before the contest closes.

Some of you have written asking if those who have previously won a watch, are still allowed to compete? Yes, certainly, but will you please mention that you have already got a watch when trying, so that in the event of your again being successful, I may be able to award you some other prize, of equal value.

Some time ago, I asked any of you who may have pictures of yourselves to please let me have a copy, so that I may occasionally publish the picture of the prize winner, but not many of you have responded. Not only is that the reason, but I should very much like to know my kiddies much better, and as it is naturally impossible to call and see you all personally, I would like to at least see some of your pictures.

In your letters recently, a few of you have been asking as to Uncle Dick's stories, and I am considering starting same again, but before doing so would very much like you all to write me letters telling what you really like best in YOUR CORNER, as I want to try and let you have what ever you are most interested in.

Don't forget that your Uncle Dick is waiting for more letters, telling all about yourselves, what you are doing, how you like school again, and any other thing you are interested in. Whether you are able to enter the contests or not, let me have your letters, and I will be glad to answer you as usual through the Corner, or if desired, by a personal letter.

With Best Wishes From Your

Uncle Dick

Games, Jokes, Etc.

Ques.—A sly young animal and something worn on the hands.

Ans.—Fox-glove.

Ques.—A fine young fellow and the King of beasts.

Ans.—Dandelion.

"How much did you pay for this egg, Biddy?" inquired Pat.

"Forty-five cents a dozen, Pat," replied Biddy.

"Oh, wirra!" exclaimed Pat. "We can't afford to ate eggs at that price. Put this down the cellar till they get cheaper then we'll ate them."

"Have you any references?" inquired the lady of the house.

"Yes, mum, lots of them," answered the prospective maid.

"Then why did you not bring some of them with you?"

"Well, mum, to tell the troth, they're just like me photographs. None of them don't do me no justice."

Willie—"Please teacher I'm four when I'm on the cars and five when I'm home, and six when I'm in school."

Sent in by Dorothy Warren.

"Who gave the bride away?" asked Mrs. Jones of her daughter, who had just came from the wedding.

"Her little brother," replied the daughter.

"He stood up in the middle of the ceremony and yelled, 'Hurrah, Rose, you've got Tommy at last!'"

A young preacher went fishing for trout, accompanied by a couple of friends. The best plan seems to be to divide up the orderly duty amongst the various Patrols, so that each one acts as "orderly Patrol" for one week in turn, and undertakes all cleaning and other work connected with the club in that week. The Patrol Leader will make all arrangements for this to be done at such times as are convenient.

In short, encourage your boys to make a real home of their clubroom, whether it be hall or hut, and in the years to come, they will look back with pleasure on the happy hours spent there—all the happier because they themselves were partly responsible for keeping it clean and in good order.

As I was going through a field of wheat, I picked up something fit to eat. It was neither fish, flesh nor bone, but I kept it, it could run alone.

Ans.—An egg.

Went out to the woods and got it, sit down and hunted for it, couldn't find it, so I brought it home with me.

Ans.—A splinter in my finger.

Round and round the house and in a corner.

Ans.—A broom.

Round the house and only makes one track.

Ans.—Wheelbarrow.

Sent in by Frank Dykeman.

A calf born in the fall and died in the spring, and never seen a Christmas.

Ans.—Died in a spring of water.

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Club Room Hints.

(Concluded from last week.)

Try to make your clubroom bright and cheerful. Bright pictures, Scout mottoes, and if possible, photographs of your Troop and Scouting incidents, not only adorn the walls, but add an interest to the clubroom. Cards of knots, paintings of the flags, Scout charts, are all useful and decorative too. A photograph of the Chief will, of course, occupy the post of honor on your walls, and you will put a good big copy of the Scout Law in a prominent position. Headquarters supply a large Scout Law poster for this purpose.

One Troop we knew had quite a portrait gallery of old Scouts of the Troop in one corner of their clubroom—a "veterans' corner" for those who had helped to make Troop history. If you are lucky enough to have several rooms, it is wise to keep one unfurnished, where you can have your boxing or other games, and a good room round when your Scouts have, as even we Scouts have, some times, a little superfluous energy to expend. The other room, where you hold Troop meetings, instruction classes, and so on, will have tables, forms, etc. Chairs to be used, and the patrol leaders themselves should pay attention to those under their charge. Its only in this way that the standard of the movement will be maintained and the full support of the public will be kept.

In making these remarks I am of course not forgetting that the Scouts had a most trying day due to other sections of the parade and were, naturally, feeling the cold badly which they withstood most bravely.

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Members of the Otto Patrol, of the St. James Troop, a patrol connected with the Wiggins Home, gave a very good entertainment at the Home, on New Year's Day, the occasion being the Christmas Tree Treat. The boys who all took their part with exceptional skill and evidence of good training presented "Winning Results," and drew forth loud applause from beginning to the drop of the curtain.

They have received numerous requests to act in other parts, which is understood will be accepted at an early date.

Scouts Give Fine Entertainment.

Another City Boy Wins Watch. First Prize. George Bruce, age 15, Prince William Hotel, Prince William Street.

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Scouts in Parade. Last Saturday when the Scouts took part in the big parade, and made such a fine turnout, there was certainly good reason for them to be the subject of very favorable comment from members of the public who witnessed their march past. Most of the city troops were well represented, and in some cases they were led by the Scout Masters, among the latter being the Rev. H. A. Coder, and R. J. McPherson.

One Troop looked particularly smart not only were they in full uniform, but they carried their staffs and looked very well indeed.

It may be rather hard lines on the other to pick out any individual section, for special mention, but there were many details to which the boys could pay attention, when next they are called upon to parade in such a public way.

Although it is naturally not possible for all boys to appear in uniforms, and even carry their staffs, they could at least, march more orderly than some of them did on New Year's Day. Whilst there was only a few who did not carry themselves as Scouts ought to, it had a bad effect on the appearance of the rest.

Remember, boys, everyone of you, either help or hinder the general result. If you march along with a firm step, eyes front, each boy in line with the others, in silence, you will be greatly assisting towards the good appearance of all, but if you walk in any order, talking to those watching, to your neighbors, and carry on in a fresh sort of way as I am sorry to say, some did, instead of helping the movement of which you belong, you will cause many to have quite wrong opinions.

Whilst words of praise for the Boy Scouts in the parade, have reached me from all parts, it has also been added, that some of the boys nearly spoiled the whole thing by the foolish way in which they acted.

The Scout Masters are to blame in this respect. Stronger discipline ought to be used, and the patrol leaders themselves should pay attention to those under their charge. Its only in this way that the standard of the movement will be maintained and the full support of the public will be kept.

This is done in order that any stranger passing near will find himself within the Arab's tent ropes, which means that he must come and be his guest. He expects you to stay with him for about five days, during which time he feeds you, houses you, and protects you, and he expects no kind of payment when you depart.

Be Kind to Dumb Animals.

You must have noticed how our soldiers at the Front and our sailors in the Fleet all seem to have their pet animals and mascots, and when I was in France I noticed on many occasions our men playing with the little French children among their ruined homes close up to the firing line.

They were all the best of friends, although they knew scarcely a word of each other's language.

In the same way as a Knight or a Boy Scout is chivalrous to weaker folk, so he is chivalrous also to animals.

Animals are weaker folk than ourselves in the matter of mind and understanding, but they can be very affectionate and faithful where they have learnt that the human being, though strong enough to hurt them, is kind and gentle. They are quick to show that they appreciate such kindness. You know how your own dog half curls himself round with wagging his tail, and grins with pleasure when he sees you; and also how your horse nuzzles you all over to find the sugar that he knows you are going to give him.

So give animals all the kindness you can and make their lives happy. Many boys are inclined to be cruel, simply because they don't think they are not yet manly enough. But a Scout who is manly and chivalrous towards people will at all times be the same towards animals.

It is wonderful what pleasure you can get out of it in return, whether you train your dog to obey your slightest sign, or whether you tame a robin to be your friend.

Not long ago I came across a proprietor of a garage who showed himself to be a good and kindly man, because he had supplied the Scout troop of the town with a loft in which to hold its meetings. But he proved to me that he was a good man by taking me into his sitting-room and showing me his tame canary, which did every kind of trick at his command, and sang to him, answered his whistle, and came at his call and kissed him.

But apart from the interest of training an animal in confinement, there is all the fun and adventure to be got out of stalking and watching animals and birds in the wild and learning their ways and customs. The more you do this, and the more you understand about how they are made and how they do their various works, the better you will understand the wonders of Nature and of the Creator.

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