

Correspondence

Stanley Mills, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I have never written a letter to the 'Messenger' before. I read all the letters in it, and I am very much interested. My sister went to Woodbridge Sunday-school, and she got some 'Northern Messengers.' She brought them home, and I read all the stories in them. I like the continued story in the 'Messenger,' and also the others. I am more than pleased with my Bible. Mother says it is a real beauty. I have seven sisters and four brothers, and my father and mother are both living. My eldest sister is married, and has one little girl just two days older than my youngest sister. Last winter I was sleigh riding down a very steep hill at my friend's, and I broke my leg, and was in bed for three weeks. My leg is not strong yet. I am eleven years old, and my birthday is on December 18.

HATTIE LOUISE M.

Otter Lake, Que.

Dear Editor,—My auntie Carrie sent me the 'Messenger' last year, and now I am going to renew it myself. I am a little girl five years and a half old, and I can read a little. I love to hear the little letters in the 'Messenger.' I saw one from my little cousin Cora in it. I have five brothers. I go to church every Sunday, but we have no Sunday-school here now. My three oldest brothers are in the States, one in Montana and two in Minnesota. They all work on the train as brakemen. My father took a trip last summer to Montana, and we intend going to live there in the Fall, and I will have the 'Messenger' sent out there, for we all like it so well. My grandfather used to take it long ago. I have one grandpa living, and one grandma, who is here visiting us now. We live on a farm. I have a dog that draws me on my sleigh in the winter, and a horse that I can drive myself where the roads are good. My brother got five new subscribers for the 'Messenger.' I think every little boy and girl should read the stories in the 'Messenger.'

ANNIE MAY F.

Argyle P.O.

Dear Editor,—My sister-in-law has taken the 'Messenger' for four years, and I like to read it so much. I live in Winnipeg, but I am out at my brother's for my vacation. I do think it is a pleasure to get out here and read the 'Messenger.' I used to live in Argyle, but a year ago we moved to Winnipeg. I go to the Victoria school, and I am in the fifth grade. I am eleven years of age, and my birthday is on October 14.

ETHEL C.

Lawrencetown, N.S.

Dear Editor,—Now it is vacation here. We, that is, my mother and I, and my only sister, are planning to go to visit my grandmother and my auntie and uncle. It is quite cold here now for July. I go to school, and I am eight. I will be nine in August. I am in the fifth grade. I think 'A Fight Against Odds' is a very nice story. I have always liked the 'Messenger.' My father is a sea captain. He is sailing for Rosario now. He always takes a southern voyage. I have one sister, and I have a cat. We all of us think our cat very nice. My sister is seven years old. I get the 'Messenger' at Sunday-school. We live very near the school-house: there is just about twelve yards or so from the school-house. My chief friend is G. W. I wonder if any little girl's birthday is the same day as mine, August 27.

MARGUERITE BISHOP W.

Roach Vale, Guysboro' Co.

Dear Editor,—I have been taking the 'Northern Messenger' since last December, and am highly pleased with it. I

think it is getting better all the time. It has such beautiful stories about boys and girls, and then there is a page for the little folks. I always look at that first, and the Correspondence. I don't know who all the boys and girls are, but somehow I feel that we are getting acquainted by reading the 'Messenger.' I live with my grandpa most of the time, because I think I have the kindest grandpa in the country. He has a farm, and is raising four calves this summer. They are beauties. He has twenty sheep, and they all have lambs. He had twelve pairs of twin lambs this spring. We have a big horse, whose name is Harrie Ailson, and a big dog called Kruger, and a cat we call Billie. My own home is about half a mile from grandpa's. We have a nice school-house and two churches. I think Roach Vale is a very pretty place. Salmon river passes through it, and there is a lovely mountain on the south side.

VERNON C. H.

Hymers, New Ont.

Dear Editor,—I belong to the Maple Leaf Club. I wonder how many of the members have had their arm broken. I have. I was playing on the ice when I did it. It was two years ago last Christmas. I have three brothers and three sisters. I am eleven years old, and my birthday is on the 13th of May. I go to school every day. I am in the third reader. I have not got any pets like most of the members. I live on a farm, five miles from the railway station. There is a man who has a saw-mill here, but has not got it put up yet. I have not read many books, but I think the reason that the girls have read so many is because they have lots of time.

CLARENCE E. P.

Toronto.

Dear Editor,—Hurrah for the holidays! I am so glad they have come, because I can put away my books, go to picnics, and have a jolly good time. I must tell you about a picnic we were at this week: it was to the Island on Dominion Day, and mamma thought the little girl next door would like to come, too. I asked her, and of course she did not refuse. When we got there, what attracted our attention was a tiny little pug dog which was tied by a long, narrow strap to an umbrella stuck in the ground. It was very playful, and would jump on us when we came near it. Of course I went on the merry-go-round; in fact, once was not enough for me. I wonder if the other boys and girls enjoy it as much as I do. I am in the junior fourth class at school, and am ten years old. Dear me! this letter is getting too long, so I think I had better say 'good-bye.'

GLADYS P.

P.S.—I will try to write a better one next time.—G.P.

(I hope you will all write as long letters as you can.—Ed.)

Adair, I.T.

Dear Editor,—I have not seen any letters in the 'Messenger' from the Indian Territory. I am a Cherokee, and live in the Territory, and I thought I would write. Our dear Aunt Mary in Maine sends the 'Messenger' to my brother, so we all read it. I am nine years old, and have two sisters and one brother. I am in the fifth reader and history. It is vacation now, and I am taking music lessons. We have two Sunday-schools in our little town. We all go every Sunday if it does not rain. Next Friday our teachers are going to give us ice-cream served in a tent in our yard. Then we will have our pictures taken. I am going to try to get some subscribers for the 'Messenger,' so I can get a Bagster Bible.

JESSIE W.

Homeville, C.B.

Dear Editor,—I thought I would write you a letter. I live on a farm near the Atlantic ocean. We have taken the 'Messenger' for thirty years, and it is a real nice paper. We live ten miles from the

town of Glace Bay. We raise potatoes, turnips, plums, apples, cranberries and currants. Homeville is a very pretty place when the apple trees are in blossom and the grass green, and the wild flowers out. There are wild daisies, violets, lilies, and other flowers here. I have five brothers and one sister. I go to school and am in the fifth reader.

ALICE L. H. (age 11).

Stonewall, Man.

Dear Editor,—I am a little girl ten years old, and my birthday is on July 11. We live in the village of Stonewall, which has four churches, one hotel, and a school. I am in the fifth book. I take up Canadian History, Prairie Agriculture and Grammar, etc. I have a small brother just learning to talk. He can say quite a few words. I like very much to see the train go by. The track is right beside our place, and we can feel the house shake when it goes by. I will now close my letter, as I have got to do my homework.

FLORENCE V. F.

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