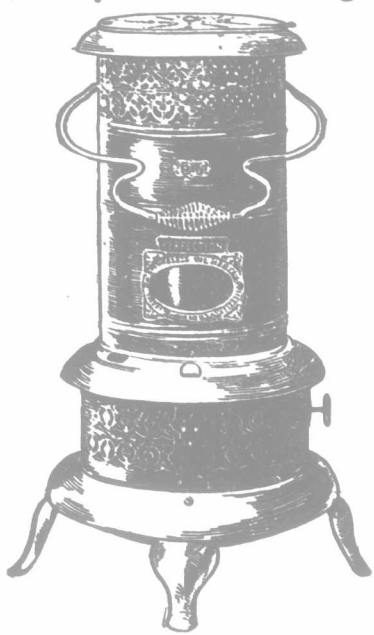


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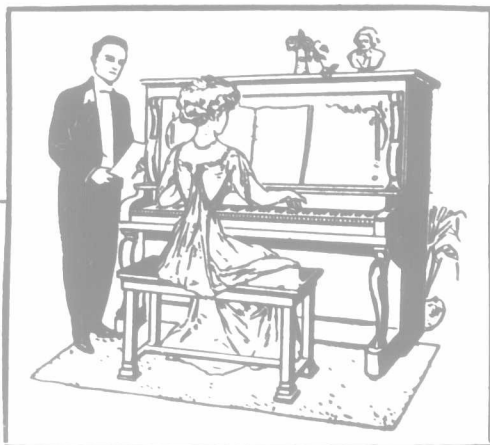
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fore we got ready; at least we thought so, anyway. We had to get the breakfast, wash the dishes, get our lunch, and many other little tasks. It also took us a long time to get packed into our vehicle, as there were twelve of us to go in a two-seated auto. Our hand bags were very troublesome, because they were so bulky with that which was to supply us for the big day.

All went well until we reached the River Thames bridge, when Tommy Smith, who was steering the machine, became suddenly sick, and let us go through the river. We went so fast that we didn't get wet.

When we first reached the fair grounds we all greatly enjoyed a ride on the merry-go-round. We next visited the wonderful Crystal Palace, where we saw almost everything but live stock. Our next visit was to the poultry house. They looked so proud as they strutted up and down their cages. The flowers and fruit were also very nice, but I thought that the dogs were the nicest things shown.

By this time it was noon, and our big lunch was unpacked, which we all enjoyed. Now the grand-stand's turn had come. I watched the races until one horse unfortunately stumbled and threw its driver upon the hard track, but both escaped without being seriously injured. Clowns and acrobats performed, whom I watched closely, with a determination to try their tricks the next day.

We soon left the grand-stand, and prepared to return to our country homes. We reached home just as the good old sun was sinking and long shadows were to be seen stretching across the road. The great Western Exhibition was decided by all to have been a perfect success, and we resolved to visit it again.

DOLLY (Age 13, Book IV.).

Bryanston, Ont.

Insects.

Dear Puck and Beavers,—One day about two weeks ago, as I was walking through one of our fields, I saw some little black bugs running along the ground. I stopped to watch them, and this is what they were like: Their backs are black; there are two wings which lie close together and are quite hard; these wings are ribbed and cover most of its body. There are thin glassy wings between the body and the black wings. Its shoulders are smooth, hard and black all the way around, with its two front legs fastened in under. You can scarcely see the ridge which separates the head from the shoulders. Its eyes are tiny round balls on each side of its head, and there are two long prongs which grow out from its eyes; they are very much like a hair. It has six little prongs fastened to its mouth; each pair is a different size. These are what they feed themselves with. I think. It has six legs, which are a light brown color; the legs are different lengths, the same as the prongs, the front ones being the shortest. The under part of the body is a dark brown, almost black in color. The bug is about a half-inch long. These bugs lay the eggs from which the wireworm is hatched. The worm is fat and white, and has rings running all the way around its body, and is from a half to an inch long. The bugs lay their eggs in the fall, and the worms hatch in the spring. The worm is very troublesome; most all farmers know what it looks like. This year we had an early spring, and the farmers had their grain in early; then there was a cold snap, which kept the grain from growing, and the worms had a good chance to eat it. Well, I must stop, for I am making a terribly long composition. HAZEL A. MUIR.

Scarboro P.O., Ont. (Book IV.).

Smith says in regard to the beetles, whose larvae are known as wireworms: During May or June, earlier or later, according to the species, the eggs are laid in grass-land or wherever vegetation, especially of a grassy character, is abundant. The larvae hatch by mid-summer, and feed upon roots, growing but slowly, and requiring, indeed, in many cases, two or three years to complete their development. Pupation (changing to pupae) takes place in fall, and usually the change to the adult also takes place before winter sets in, though they remain quiet, and do not fly about until the spring following.



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Orono Fall Fair.

Dear Puck,—The fall fair I attended was Orono Fall Fair, on the 16th of this month. I went to it and had a nice time. There were many beautiful horses, buggies and wagons there. There were races with horses. Some had little carts with horses hitched to them to race with, and I think the poor horses must have got pretty tired before they got around the large ring three times at the rate they were going. We stood and watched the horses racing for a while, and then we thought we would go over to the tent and get something good. They had ice cream, as it was such a warm day, and chocolate candies, mixed candies, oranges, popcorn, peaches, grapes, gum, sweet cider, lemonade, and all sorts of nice refreshments. I got a dish of ice cream and some popcorn; then we went into the drill-shed, where there were all sorts of things in there to look at. The Bowmanville Band was there, and it played many beautiful pieces. Then it was getting dark, and we went down to the town and got our horse and started for home. Well, I think I have taken up enough room in