



A. Dress.—COUSIN JOY, 232 Princess Street, St. John, N. B.

Dear Cousins,—Hope you will all be interested in the Field Study this month, and so get a good idea of what this missionary work means. We want all the Band members to feel that they are a very important part of "Our Society," as indeed they are. Why what would "Our Society" be, we wonder, without the girls and boys? It would die out perhaps, in a few years, if there were no younger people to take the place of those who are now doing grand work; young people who will have grown up then, and in whom the true missionary spirit will shine out, because it has been allowed to grow too. So give good heed to your Band Leaders this new year, dear cousins, and make yourselves so well acquainted with all the studies that when your friends will ask you what you mean by "Our Society" you can explain to them just why it was organized, and tell of all the good work that has been done by our faithful missionaries.

Dear Cousin Joy,—I think I have found out the answer to the September puzzle:—"Let the peace of God rule in our hearts."

Yours sincerely,
"The Parsonage," Eglinton. BESSIE LOCKE.

Dear Cousin Joy,—We have written to you once before, and thought we would like to write again. We belong to the "Pansy Mission Band," of Chantry. We take the "Palm Branch," and like it very much. Our Easter offering amounted to five dollars and thirty cents. We have found the answer to one of the puzzles; it is "Herbie Bellamy." We have made a puzzle and if correct please publish it in the paper. Hoping we have not taken up too much room, we remain

Your loving cousins,
MAGGIE BULFORD.
ESTELLA CHANT.

Harlem.

Dear Cousin Joy,—It seems strange to write to one whom I have never seen, and it makes me feel queer when I write the word "cousin."

I belong to the Mission Band which was organized May 13th, 1899. It is called the "Jenny Ford," named after a missionary. The band meets once a month at our president's home. When the band was first organized there were ten members, but now it has

increased to seventeen, I being the corresponding secretary.

From your loving cousin,
Carsonville, N. B. ELSIE A. GAUNCE.

Dear Cousin Joy,—This is the first time I have ever written to you. I belong to the "Jennie Ford" Mission Band. We have sixteen members. Miss Maggie Leiper is our president. We meet the second Saturday of each month, at our president's home. My sister takes the "Palm Branch," and we both like to read it very much, especially Cousin Joy's Cosy Corner; she looks so cosy there. I think I have the answer of one of the last puzzles, it is: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations." I hope I have not taken up too much room, but I thought you would like to hear from our new Band.

From your loving cousin,
Carsonville, N. B. IVA S. LEIPER.

[Yes, indeed, we are glad to hear from this new Band, and congratulate it on its success.]

Dear Cousin Joy,—I thought that I would write you a short letter and tell you that I belong to the Golden Rule Mission Band. I take the "Palm Branch" and like it very much. The first that I read are the letters. We have 27 members in our Mission Band; Alma Beattie is our president.

From your loving friend,
Millstream, N. B. ETTA DOUTHWRIGHT.

RECITATION—"The Beautiful Story."

'Tis a beautiful story the Bible has told,
And happy the children who know
The way that leads up to the City of Gold,
And the door Jesus opened below.
But what of the children who never have known
The pathway to that happy land;
Who are bowing to idols of wood and stone
Which in far heathen temples stand?

They tell me of homes so sad and so drear,
Far over the ocean wave;
No welcome is found for a daughter there,
Not a flower for a baby's grave!
Yet Jesus has left the same blessing for them
Which rests on my own little head;
Isn't somebody going to tell them of Him,
And all my dear Saviour has said?

C. M. F.

PUZZLES FOR OCTOBER.

I am composed of 23 letters.
My 7, 11, 6, 17, 20, 12, 5, is a message, errand.
My 10, 22, 18, 5, 21, fourteen pounds.
My 22, 14, 7, 21, is not wild.
My 3, 12, 7, 21, 13, 22, is a portion of time.
My 17, 21, 4, 9, 2, 5, is another division of time.
My 1, 12, 15, 6, 22, is not the best.
My 7, 4, 15, 23, is a girl's name.
My 19, 8, 22, 16, is a collection of houses.
My whole is something in which we should all have a great interest. COUSIN JOY.

I am composed of 13 letters.
My 4, 13, 12, is a part of the body.
My 2, 7, 6, 9, is a flower.
My 1, 4, 8, are human beings.
My 10, 7, 11, is a useful article.
My 5, 12, 5, is a boy's name.
My whole is a willing worker in a Mission Band. MAGGIE.
ESTELLA.