

Correspondence

Attleboro, Mass., U.S.A.

Dear Editor,—As we have taken the 'Messenger' in our family for over fifteen years, I believe every one should know how much we think of it. We moved from New Brunswick to this country one year ago. We notice a great difference between the two countrys. Along the roads here are grape-vines and apple trees, and for fences they have stone walls. A brook runs past. Below this is a cranberry bog. I have four brothers and three sisters. We have lots of fun in the evening playing games.

EVELYN M. J. (aged 10).

Farquhar.

Dear Editor,—I had a very pleasant trip last fall, 'time of the fair,' and on the way we passed many fine farms and buildings. I enjoyed myself very much at the exhibition. They had a number of the Queen's presents which she received at the Jubilee. The ones I thought were the prettiest were beautiful saddles trimmed with diamonds and emeralds, and the Russian footstools.

I attend Sunday-school regularly. We have a very large one in the summer, and at that season there is sometimes 150 of the scholars present. The general assembly have offered a diploma to any one in our Sunday-school who will say the Shorter Catechism at one sitting. Of course, our Sunday-school takes the 'Messenger,' and we all prize it very highly. I think it is indeed a true 'messenger.' My favorite books are the ones written by Ralph Connor and Amy Lafevre. Wishing you all success,

M. D. G. L. (aged 11).

San Juan, Cal., U.S.A.

Dear Editor,—I am getting along finely in school. I am in the sixth grade, and my brother Fred is in the second grade. He received a Christmas present of Bible Stories, and we like to read them very much. We like the 'Messenger,' too. Mamma reads the long pieces for papa and us. Fred and I have got a gun each, and we go hunting on Saturdays; but we have to be very careful.

CHARLES B. W.

Thornby, Que.

Dear Editor,—I have four sisters and three brothers. We live near the lumbering country, and it is very hilly and stony here, with great large trees of all kinds. My grandpa and grandma are both living yet. My grandpa has taken the 'Witness' since before my mother remembers.

MABLE H. (aged 7).

Myrtle, Man.

Dear Editor,—I am a little boy thirteen years old. I live on a farm about three miles from town. I have two dogs, their names being Darky and Whopper. They are both black. I have three brothers and seven sisters. I live on the prairie.

MARVIN H. B.

Dalkeith, Ont.

Dear Editor,—We have a gasoline engine at the station. They grind the grain as it comes in. I was in Montreal once to get my eyes tested, and I have to wear glasses now. I liked Montreal very well, except for all the cars there. I was nine years old on Christmas eve.

NORA F. M.

Galt, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I suppose I am different from most girls, but my favorite poems are pathetic. I am very fond of that one of Longfellow's entitled 'Evangeline.' I am very fond of reading, but as I am much inclined to read too much, I am only allowed to read on Saturdays and Sundays. We built a new house last year, but as it was not finished till cold weather began we have not had time to make improvements on the outside. I am looking forward to the warm weather, so that I can begin making flower-beds. My favorite flowers are roses and pansies. I am very fond of wild flowers. Every summer my class at school goes out after wild flowers, and I

enjoy these expeditions very much. I always bring home wild flowers and make a garden of them.

I like playing the old-fashioned game of hide-and-go-seek in the summer, especially in the evening; but in winter I mostly play snowballing or sleigh-riding or skating. I am eleven years old, and my birthday is on August 15, the same day as Sir Walter Scott's. My name is Georgina Helen, after my father and mother, and surely I should be like one of them; but I am not, only my hair is auburn like my mother's.

GEORGINA HELEN T.

Pettapiece, Man.

Dear Editor,—I live in the country, and I don't think I would like living in the city at all. I have five sisters and one brother. My two eldest sisters are married; my second eldest sister was married about two weeks ago, so I have only one sister and one brother older than myself and two younger. I am twelve years old, the same age as Edith M. J., and as she would like to correspond with some girl in Canada, I would like very much to correspond with her. My eldest sister's name is Edith. I go to the Presbyterian Sunday-school. It must be funny living near the sea. My only grandmother that I remember died three months ago, at the age of eighty-two.

GUSSIE S.

Ravenna, Ont.

Dear Editor,—This is my second letter to the 'Messenger.' When I wrote my last letter I said that my mother had been to the Old Country, and that my father was going too. He came home in May, bringing my cousin along with him to learn farming. My uncle came from England, and went to Paris, Ont., where he stayed for the summer and fall, and then came to our place about a month before Christmas. I have two brothers and one sister. My sister's name is Jessie and my brother's names are John and Roy. I am ten years old, and will be eleven in about four months. This is a very pretty place in the summer time, as there is Euphratic Mountain at the west, and at the east you have to go down Blue Mountain to get to Collingwood, which is about eleven and a half miles from here. Our windmill ran away and we could not stop it, so my father had to stay out in the barn and keep the hopper filled. But after supper my brother John thought he could stop it, which he did by putting a chain around the shaft.

AGNES EVA B.

Marriott's Cove.

Dear Editor,—I received the Bagster Bible you sent me for four subscribers for the 'Northern Messenger.' I think it is a very nice Bible. Thank you kindly for it. I mean to make the Bible more of a study. My sister takes the 'Northern Messenger.' I think it is a good paper for both old as well as young.

H. C. E.

North-East Point, Cape Sable Is., N.S.

Dear Editor,—We have had a very bad winter, about one fine day, then a storm. This is only a small place, but is very pretty in the summer. Quite a few tourists come here. I have two aunts, one uncle and a lot of cousins in the United States. My father and one brother are fishermen, and go lobster fishing in winter, but have not done anything scarcely this winter. My other brother is a merchant. We only have service once a fortnight in our church as our minister has to cross the passage between Barrington and Cape Sable Island. I have no grandmothers or grandfathers. We have a lot of plants this winter, and a lot in summer outdoors. I have three sisters married, and one of them has three little boys and a girl. One of them married a Suede, who is an engineer. One of my sisters has a dog, and they are teaching him tricks. He can jump through a hoop, sit up in a chair, roll and 'speak,' he is a cute little dog.

ENA G. W. (aged 9).

Salisbury.

Dear Editor,—I am a little boy aged nine years. I live on a farm about four miles

from the village of Salisbury. I have three brothers and one sister. My birthday is on the third day of April, and I would like a birthday verse. We have no school here this winter because we could not get a teacher. We have Sunday-school in the schoolhouse in the summer, but it is closed for three months in the winter. My brother and I visited grandpa last summer, and we had a splendid time. My brother and I have taken the 'Messenger' for three years, and like it very much.

GORDON H.

Head Wallace Bay, N.S.

Dear Editor,—This is my second letter. The first must have gone in the waste paper basket. I have taken the 'Messenger' for two years, and I think it is a lovely paper. The story about Daphy is fine; I can hardly wait for it. For pets I have one dog, two cats, a colt, whose name is Tony. I have no brothers or sisters, so I play with my dolls. I have eight of them.

JOSEPHINE C.

Montreal.

Dear Editor,—My sister and I would like very much to join your Royal League of Kindness that we read of in the 'Messenger' of Feb. 12. Trusting in Jesus we will try:—

To speak kindly to others.

To speak kindly of others.

To think kind thoughts.

To do kind deeds.

We get the 'Messenger,' and we enjoy papa or mamma reading the stories in the paper, which helps us to be good. Now we are beginning to read the stories ourselves. My sister is nearly 10 years old, and I am nearly twelve.

ROBERT & EDITH S.

Westport, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I like the 'Messenger' very much. My mamma lives about twenty miles from here, and sends it to me quite often. I live with my grandmother. We live on a farm near the village of Butter-milk Falls. My birthday is on July 28. The schoolhouse is on our farm. I have three sisters and one brother. I am now learning to play the organ, and can chord quite nicely. We have a dog named Colley and a colt named Fly.

MAGGIE M. C. (aged 10).

Billings Bridge.

Dear Editor,—I am a boy nine years of age. I am the eldest of the family. I have two brothers, Fred and Dean, and a sister whose name is Grace. Fred is next to me, and Dean next to him. Gracie is the baby. Billings Bridge is a nice place in summer. I wonder where Ruby R. lives here. I am sick a lot in the winter. I live in Wyoming Park. The school is not far from here. I have not gone this winter because I was sick. I think the 'Messenger' is a nice paper. Mother says when she was small she remembered reading 'Daph and Her Charge.' My mother said when I had a bottle of bad medicine, that if I took it without a fuss she would get me the 'Messenger' always because I like it. Wyoming Park is between the Rideau River and Rideau Canal. The 'Messenger' is so nice I do not know where to begin to read it. A little girl said that the girls were the only ones that wrote letters. I am sick, but I am writing this letter to fill up the boys' roll. Sunday-school is a good way off, over the Rideau River. I was born in Regina, Assiniboia. My brother Fred was born there, too. Dean was born in Ottawa, and Grace was also born there. I hope my letter is not too long. I find it very tiresome being forced to lie down all day long. I am very fond of reading. March came in like a lion.

GEORGE H. C.

Hawk Point, N.S.

Dear Editor,—I received my Bible, and think it is a nice one. I have two sisters younger than I am. Their names are Hazel and Ellie. We have had a very cold winter. My birthday is on April 9. I will be nine years old.

EARL BRANDON S.