she looks white, but is said to be quite well. She is anxious to have her sister near her in St. Catharines.

ELLA WICKENS, age 161, to Canada, '96.—Ella looked specially bright and well and happy. She has a superior, nice home and is delighted with her surroundings. Her mistress was out for the evening, but I had heard elsewhere how pleased she was with her present maid. Ella was pleased to hear that I had lately seen her sister. She gave me \$5 to put into the bank, her first savings.

ELLEN IBBETSON, age 15, to Canada, '96.-Ellen had been to tea and was spending the evening with Ella. I walked home with her and had a talk with her mistress. She spoke of Ellen as a good, obedient little worker, but with everything to learn when she went to her. So far, she is giving good satisfaction, is very happy, and speaks most highly of her mistress and her home. She has an exceptionally nice bedroom, with every convenience.

MARY PETERSON, age 13.-Mr. and Mrs. Stanley moved to Merritton about two months since. seems to be doing pretty well and to be bright and happy. Her mistress says that, though not very competent, she is so willing and ready to help, and is a very good girl.

M. L., age 171 -M. looked neat and bright, and spoke as if she liked her place. I should judge she is improving and has a suitable, safe home.

DOROTHY BLACK, age 17.-Was received here very pleasantly, and Dorothy was loud in praise of her mistress and her home. Mrs. Hough is pleased with her, though she was very disappointed at first because she was so small. She, too, had a balance of wages to be added to her account in the bank.

ELLEN DUCKETT, age 18.-Ellen has grown to look very womanly. She is still doing well, and all was satisfactory on both sides. Ellen is a member of the church in St. Catharines, and attends Sunday school regularly.

E. O., age 20 (one of our older girls on whom a friendly call was made unofficially). E. has a very good place as cook with Mrs. -- ; says the work is lighter than it was at Mrs. --- 's, as she does no washing; takes \$10.00 per month wages.

MRS. Jos. Bowman (one of our married girls). --Her former mistress told me that Mary was getting on very comfortably. Her husband has steady employment. and Miss A. says she lays aside a good many little remnants, etc., from her store for "Mary's baby," now four months old.

Daisy Rodwell, age 181.-Called at the store to make inquiries, and Daisy came forward, looking quite brisk and ready for customers. She spends her days in the store and goes to the house after business hours. She seems to manage very well, and likes attending to the store better than housework.

M. F., age 18.—Saw M. at Mrs. ——'s. Welland.

Annie Marks, age 19 .- Annie is doing thoroughly well at Dr. Schooley's, and has the appearance of a wellconducted, prosperous young woman. She is still giving satisfaction, and her mistress has no complaint to make. (Annie has been in the one place since she came to Canada in '93.)

GRACE CRISP, age 14.—Was struck with Gracie's growing resemblance to her elder sister Mary. She likes her home and her master and mistress, especially the one little boy, remarking, with a hug and a kiss, "This little fellow makes up for all my troubles." Her mistress spoke of a few little faults, but finds her on the whole a very good little girl, and smart and capable and willing.

Fonthill, Five Miles from Welland.

AGNES ATWOOD, age 16.—This appears to be a safe and pleasant home; not over much work, and so far Agnes likes it, and is giving satisfaction; there were no complaints on either side. Her mistress spoke of Agnes as honest, willing, and of a nice disposition.

Rose CHENU AND ANNIE TUGNOTT .- Drove on another three miles to the village of St. John's, west. These two girls are together with Mr. and Mrs. Bell, who have a large, comfortable farm house. They think a great deal of the girls, who are both doing well.

F. H., age 151.-F. lives about a mile away, but the girl does not seem happy. She is of a quiet, retiring dis. position, and possibly slow, which partly accounts for her complaints. It seems advisable to make a change, though the mistress is anxious not to lose her.

Fordan.

MARY MORTIMER, age 15.-Mary had been in this place only three weeks. She seemed to like it very well, and her mistress thinks she will suit her in time, when she has learned her ways.

From Beamsville.

MAUD JOHNSON, age 121.-Mr. and Mrs. Harcourt are pleased with Maud, and speak of her as a Christian girl, and she seems to feel at home and happy. Talked over the question of school. . . . A proposal was made for the future and agreed to. It is a good home, and it does not appear likely that the child will be over-

Winona.

E. A., age 15.-Ellen likes this place, and says she is really trying to do well, and to please her mistress. Mrs. C. likes her for many things, and is anxious to try and

Passing through Hamilton, called to see two girls who were not well; one I found in bed with grippe at the house of a friend, but it was hoped she would be all right in a few days, and able to work again soon. The other had been removed to the hospital, but the doctors had not said definitely what was the matter with her.

Port Credit.

Called to see a new applicant, but found that a girl, Rose Horton, had been sent a few days before. She was very quiet, probably to be accounted for by a little loneliness and home-sickness. Apparently comfortable home, kindly and safe.

Several further calls were made in Toronto, but this ends this special round of visiting, and will probably be found long enough to continue interesting.

A HOME GIRL SPEAKS FOR HERSELF.

In that portion of our paper devoted to "Our Girls" we have abstained from entering into the contest regarding the Immigration question, but the following letter which recently appeared in the Toronto Globe having been put into our hand, we felt we should like to give it a place in our columns. We are ignorant as to who is the writer. The letter speaks for itselfspirited, brave, unspeakably pathetic as it is, we shall be glad, if it does its work, if in no other way, by presenting the much debated question in this light—the light of what it must mean to some of these children and young men, highly respectable young women too-to be the subject of popular prejudice, so often undeserved (prejudice by the way is prejudging). Is it a disgrace that a girl has been poor? Is it a disgrace that in her youth she received the friendly shelter of a "Home"? Verily,

> "In heaven above Where all is love,"

that great Home which gathers in a multitude "out of every kindred and tongue, and people and nation," we shall too hope to find ourselves side by side with Home girls, and Home boys.

' Love ye therefore the stranger, for ye were strangers in

were words written long ago in the great Book, which we have taken as our guide, but words not to be forgotten in this ninteenth Christian century.

THE "HOME" CHILDREN.

MARCH 9TH, 1897.

To the Editor of The Globe:

Sir,-In the Globe of February 24, I noticed a few lines written by an orphan concerning Dr. Barnardo's boys and girls. I cannot help but voice his sentiments as I unfortunately (perhaps) happen to be classed among this so called vicious kind. As we would be led to think, not only by the press but by the people in general, that the passage of Scripture which reads: "Full of all subtility thou child of the devil." must have been written expressly for the "Home" children. I cannot speak for Dr. Barnardo's children more than any others, but if they

came from an Orphans' Home at all that is sufficient to brand them as vicious, unreliable vagrants before they have a chance to prove that they are anything different. And at last we have awakened to the fact that the day has come when we must speak and defend ourselves as neither law nor country has done heretofore. In the first place, what are these children brought out for at all? It is to give them a chance, or to help to maintain their existence, and for protection, or is it to use them as slaves and to give vent to such violence as would not be tolerated to Canadian children? It would seem more like the latter. for if they are known to raise a hand in self-defence the whole country in one voice cries them down as vicious, criminal, tainted characters. Is this fair? How many of the criminals of to-day—and the prisons are full of them ever were inmates of an Orphans' Home. A good many of them never saw the inside of one. Many of them have been brought up and surrounded with the best of home influence, and yet have become criminals. How is this? Even the school children are taught at home to believe that home birds (as they are generally termed) have no right to enjoy free liberty to do and say as other children. They alone must reign supreme. Is it any wonder if they become vicious? I am a young girl and am not speaking from hearsay, but from a sad experience; not from home surroundings, but from the prejudice of the outside world: and, in conclusion, I would say to those so prejudiced against these home birds give them any fair chance at all, use them like human beings, and I feel safe in saving that in ninety cases out of one hundred they will turn out as good law-abiding citizens, and as good subjects in Canada as ever fought for a Queen or country.

ANOTHER ORPHAN.

March I.

MARRIAGE.

On March 10th, 1897. Jane Jeffrey was married to Mr Sam. R. Bush. We would offer our best wishes and congratulations to Jane on her marriage. She evidently has won a good name at her late employer's, and has entered on married life with a fair prospect of comfort and success.

PENNY POETS.

Macaulay's "Lays of Ancient Rome." Scott's "Marmion." Burns' Poems (selections).
Longfellow's "Evangeline," etc.
Milton's "Paradise Lost," Part I.

Part II. Scott's " Lady of the Lake" Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar." Pope's "Essay on Man."
Tom Hood's Poems, Grave and Gay. Coleridge's "Ancient Mariner," etc. Some Ingoldsby Legends. Scott's "Lay of the Last Minstrel." Poems of Wordsworth, Part I.

Cowper. " Dryden.

" Wordsworth, Part II.

" Mrs. Hemans and Eliza Cook.

Gray and Goldsmith. Longfellow, Part II.

PENNY POPULAR WORKS OF FICTION.

"She," by Rider Haggard.

"Little Em'ly" (from David Copperfield, by Chas. Dickens).

"Ben Hur," by Gen. Lew Wallace.

"It is Never Too Late To Mend," by Chas. Reade.

" Mary Burton," by Mrs. Gaskell.

"The Last Days of Pompeii," by Bulwer Lytton.

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"Jean Eyre," by Charlotte Bronte.

"Hypatia," by Charles Kingsley.

"Charles O'Malley," by Charles Lever.

"Ivanhoe," by Sir Walter Scott.

"Little Women," by Louisa M. Alcott. "Helen's Babies."

"Aldersyde," by Annie S. Swan. Lord Macaulay's History of England, from earliest times to 1660.