

Correspondence

B., Ont.

Dear Editor,—Our school is not very large, as it is only a village one. It contains two rooms on the first flat, and one large room on the second. We have lots of fun sleigh riding down the hill back of it. B. is quite a nice place in summer. I can play lawn tennis a little. I have read a number of books. I like reading very much, and especially the 'Messenger.' It always has such lovely stories in it, and 'St. Cecilia of the Court' is just lovely, I think. Mr. Billy Daniels and Dr. Phil. Hanauer are so kind and merry. I think Florence Ezekiel's letter from India is very nice. Is the word

a mile from here. There was a storm here this summer that did quite a lot of harm. Our barn and a shed were blown down. We have the barn up again. There was not any rain here for a long time until Saturday.

We have a little foal about four months old. I like to read the letters in the 'Messenger,' especially the riddles. The answer to E. A. P.'s riddle is an egg, and to Florence Buell's riddle is Humbolt was going into his fortieth year.

G. E. M.

C., Calif.

Dear Editor,—I received my Maple Leaf brooch, and am very much pleased with it. I have taken the 'Northern Messenger' for over five years, and this is my first letter to it.

My father runs a large poultry farm, and

ther go to school than stay home and work. Fred would rather stay home than go to school. But I think if he had to work very hard long he would change his mind.

CLARENCE DOUGLAS.

OTHER LETTERS.

Nettie Wylie writes from G., Ont., and answers E. A. P.'s puzzle. The riddles you send have already been asked, Nettie; it is fine to have a library in the school.

Myrtle Whitnell, D., Ont., hopes some of the correspondents will be able to answer these questions.

1. What coat is finished without buttons and put on wet? 2. If you were to ride a donkey what fruit would you represent? 3. If a man gave seven cents to one boy and eighteen cents to another, what time would it be?

A. E. Carter, C., Ont., is one of the boys to win a watch for himself by the aid of the 'Canadian Pictorial.' His letter, which is very short, contains this riddle:

Two O's, two N's, one L, and a D,
Put them together, and spell them to me.

Evelyn E. Olsen, M. F., P. Que., answers Dalton Brooke's riddle, and sends in one which has already been asked in a slightly different form. Evelyn is one of our frequent correspondents.

N. Thom., D., Ont., also sends in a riddle that has been asked. The letter is very good for someone who is only eight.

Mabel Long writes a little letter from N., Alta, and sends in two questions:

1. What is the longest word in the dictionary?

2. How do you make a monkey wrench?

Evalena Hill, N., N.B., answers the egg puzzle, and wants to see if anyone knows why children are like dirty dishes.

Mary Foster, and Elsie Heard, are friends who write from D., Ont. They learn sewing in their school, and all like their teacher. We are glad to know that Elsie and Mary like the 'Messenger,' too.

Laura Brown, O. S., Ont., is a new friend who has just come to Canada from over the border.

Merle Cuttley, L.T., N.S., sends in three correct answers, and M. M. Rogers, also from N.S., answers Dalton Brooke's riddle, and asks this: The more you make, the more you take, the more you leave behind.

Lillian McGee, B.B., N.B., enjoyed 'St. Cecilia of the Court.' Her letter contains these questions:

1. Why are jokes like nuts?

2. What is the oldest tree in America?

Letters have also been received from Eva M. Mitchell, D., Ont.; M. S. F., O., Ont.; Elsie O. Forden, B., Ont.; I. M. Crosby, Y., N.S.; Katherine F. Dow, S.M., N.S.; and Rosebud, W., Ont.

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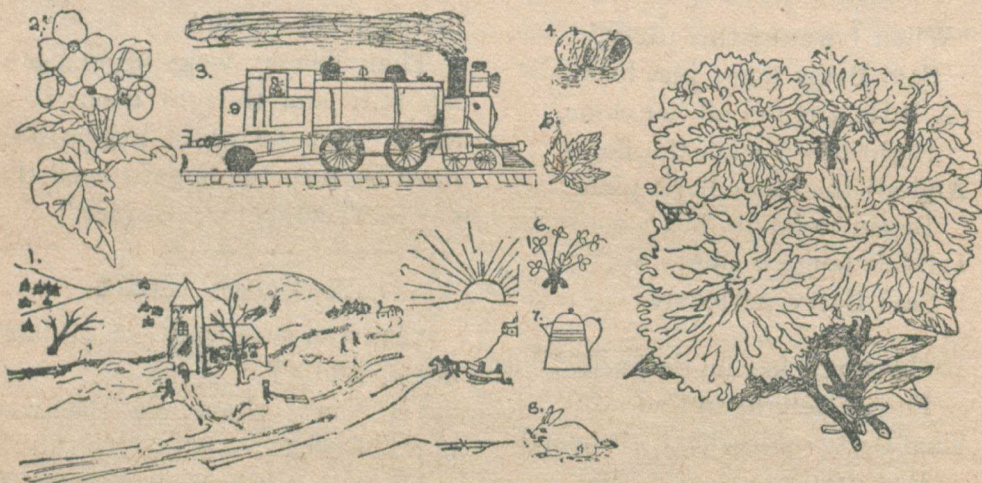
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8. 'Rabbit.' Edgar Trueman, S.J., N.B.

9. 'An Aster Bouquet.' Della A. Hodge, T., Que.

'Abba' the answer to one of the riddles? The writer's name was not printed.

LILLIAN GIBSON.

(Yes, your answer is right, Lillian. Glad you like the stories.—Ed.)

B., Man.

Dear Editor,—I am a little girl ten years of age. I go to school every day that I can, and am in the third reader. We live in the section house; my father works on the railway track. I have three sisters and two brothers. I have two brothers dead.

The books I have read are, 'An Elder Brother,' 'The Lamplighter,' 'Heather and Harebell' and a lot of others.

HILDEGARD HALLONQUIST.

D., Que.

Dear Editor,—I am a little boy of seven years of age. I live on a farm, and go to school. Our school is about a quarter of

DOING A BRISK BUSINESS.

A. E. Carter

To Wesley Goodrich,
Gollum

Send on 12 other copies quick
Have sold twelve easily.

P. S. People buy them as quick
as I can hand them out.

Yours Truly
A. E. Carter.

Hundreds of boys throughout Canada are selling thousands of copies of the 'Canadian Pictorial.'

I help him. I have two sisters and one brother. My oldest sister goes to the Normal School here, I expect to go to business College after Christmas.

GLADYS M. SWANN.

H., Ont.

Dear Editor,—I read with much interest the letters in the 'Messenger,' which we get in Sunday school. When reading the Correspondence page I saw a letter from Florence Ezekiel, a little girl living in India. Would you mind giving me her full address? I attend High School, and like all the subjects very well. I wonder if any of the correspondents are saving souvenir postals? I and my sister save them, and get quite a few, as my father does a lot of travelling, and sends them to us from all over. I would like to have a Halloween party. I wonder if any of the readers could make any new suggestions.

JEANETTE WITTHUN (aged 13).

(We cannot give the address of any correspondents, Jeanette.—Ed.)

I., N.B.

Dear Editor,—I want to thank you for the pretty stick pin I got from you. When I wrote to you I told you I had five brothers; now I have a sixth. His name is George Arthur. He is a good-natured fellow. Ray and Wesley tease him a good deal. Our crops are poor this year, except hay. We had a very good crop. We had a long drought, which hurt the grain and potatoe crop. My father raised 4 calves, 12 lambs, 8 pigs, and 36 chickens and 2 turkeys. We have 16 roosters fattening now. My brothers, Fred, Charlie and I go to school every day. It is over two miles away. But we will soon have to stay home and help papa dig potatoes and pull turnips. I would ra-