

# Correspondence

## ROYAL LEAGUE OF KINDNESS.



I pledge myself  
To speak kindly to others,  
To speak kindly of others,  
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dog named Collie. I think the Royal League of Kindness has a splendid pledge.

B. WATSON LATIMER.

M., Sask.

Dear Editor,—This winter my papa made us a handsleigh, and we have had lots of fun with it. We could take it out and draw each other around on it. We get on the big high snow banks and slide down. I will close with a riddle:—What goes on one foot?

HAROLD FITZGERALD.

S., Man.

Dear Editor,—I live on a farm one half mile from the small village of S. We have two general stores, an elevator, a blacksmith shop, implement shed, and a town hall. I am nine years old. I get the 'Messenger' at Sunday School and enjoy reading the little folk's page very much.

GRACE PARKER.

R., N.S.

Dear Editor,—I live at --- (although R. is our post-office). This part of K. is not very

sparrow last winter that had frozen to death. We were studying about birds and flowers at school last term and I liked it best of all my studies. My brother and one of my sisters and I tapped a few trees this spring. We have just got enough sap to make about a gallon and a half of syrup yet, but we expect to get some more. My eldest sister is teaching school about ten miles from home, and some of us go for her every two or three weeks when the horse isn't working. I guess my letter is long enough, so I will close.

S. I. S.

## OTHER LETTERS.

F. E. Trinnel, S. J., Ont., has four black Cochon Bantams for pets. 'I call the rooster after Black Douglas, and the three hens Pansy, Betsey, and Tutsey. They will come when I call them by their names.'

Bessie Wilson, M., Ont., tells about the cold weather they are having. 'It is very cold here and the wind is very strong and high.'

John F. Nelson, P.C., Ont., agrees with Bessie, but, he adds, 'I expect it will soon be good growing weather, now, although hardly any of the farmers round here have done much at seeding.'

Mildred L. Lewis, L., N.S., tells 'what a lovely grove' they have. 'In summer it is lovely and cool and we have a school picnic there every year.'

Gladys H. Troup, S., Ont., is also thinking of the joys of summer. 'I am glad summer will soon be here. My brother has a camera and can take good pictures. He has taken several of me, I think it is great amusement to have a camera.'

Eugene Swan, C. N. A., N.S., is another summer lover. 'We have great fun fishing in our river near the hill.'

Bessie Stewart, L. D., Ont., supposes that 'everybody is very glad summer is coming.' Bessie tells about a W. C. T. U. contest that she attended. It was evidently very good.

'A Country Girl,' S. V., Que., writes a nice letter but does not sign her name. It is against our rule to publish letters when we don't know who wrote them, you know. Write again, 'Country Girl,' and sign your name. We will not publish it if you do not wish it published.

May E. Mathews, Alice E. Mathews, and Emma P. Smith, write together from B.C. All say they wish to join the Royal League of Kindness but did not send in any pledges. May has been in the hospital for a month but we are glad she is out again. All send riddles but these have been asked before with the exception of one Emma sends: Why is coffee like an axe with a dull edge?

We also received little letters from Janie L., B., N.B.; Florence B. Vail, U. B., N.B., and Wilhelmina Hunter, C., Ont.



## OUR PICTURES.

1. 'Our Church.' Irene C. MacIntosh, R. D., Alta.
2. 'On the High Seas.' Leslie Bremner (age 12), V., Man.
3. 'A Cow's Head.' Raymond Taylor (age 11), P. B., N.S.
4. 'Babes in the Wood.' John F. Nelson (age 14), P. C., Ont.
5. 'A House.' Derwyn Manely (age 12), P. C., Ont.
6. 'House.' Edna Gilbert (age 8), L. R., Que.
7. 'A Deer.' Wilhelmina Hunter (age 9), C., Ont.

8. 'A Barn.' Lorne Allin (age 11), S., Sask.
9. 'Foot-ball Player.' William J. Hagen (age 12), Ottawa.
10. 'Fishing Tent.' Leta Conley (age 12), C., N.S.
11. 'Steamer.' Bradford Glavin (age 9), W., N.S.
12. 'Meow!' R. Irvin, F., Ont.
13. 'Montreal Ice Palace.' Francis Theodore Fraser (age 15), Montreal.
14. 'A Tree.' Gladys Hogle (age 11), B., Ont.
15. 'Steamer.' Robert Erle Wightman (age 9), Toronto.

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L., B.C.

Dear Editor,—I live in the mountains of B. C. in a very pretty place. I had two traps out and caught a martin. A wolverine put his foot in one but got away. I have fine fishing out here. I caught 989 fish last year. I have two sisters and one brother. I am going to join the R. L. of K.

EDWARD H. KINDER.

R., Ont.

Dear Editor,—I go to school and have a good time playing ball and other games. It will soon be time to start plowing and seeding. There is a lot of game around here and people come from all parts to hunt during hunting season. I wish, Mr. Editor, that you could come up in the fall and join in the sport. I have just one pet, and that is a

thickly settled, but about three miles from here is a small village. The Salmon River flows through the village and past our farm which is farther down. I go to school at R. which is two miles distant, and am in the ninth grade. I live on a large farm of between five and six hundred acres. A large part is uncultivated. We do not keep many cattle, having only eight cows and six young cattle. We have twelve sheep and three horses. Several wild animals were seen around here last summer and fall, such as bears, moose and deer. Several moose have been shot near here this winter. I saw the verse Keith Swayze of D., Quebec, wrote, and I think it is very good. Dr. Grenfell's letters are very interesting I think.

GERTRUDE E. MacLEAN.

R., Ont.

Dear Editor,—We had a good time the last day of the old year, skating. Mother had a New Year's dinner. Our two grandpa's were here for dinner. We have no grandma's. There has been a lot of whooping cough around here this year.

ISABELLA SMITH.

P., N.B.

Dear Editor,—I am very glad to see dear old spring come again. We saw some chipping sparrows, juncos, robins and black birds this spring. My brother found a poor little

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