

The Queen's NATIONAL HISTORY COMPETITION.

To encourage a taste for the study of Canadian History, and to interest every intelligent girl and boy in the "Young Peoples" Department of our popular family magazine, the Publishers of THE QUEEN, offer valuable rewards to those making the best average each quarter in THE QUEEN'S National History School.

THE REWARDS.

The one making the best average in answering the following questions in Canadian History will be given one of THE QUEEN'S handsome ponies, (Sir John) value \$125.00. The one making the second best average will be rewarded with a first-class Safety Bicycle or Tricycle, value \$75.00. The one making the third best average, will be rewarded with their choice of either a fine Breech-loading English Shot Gun, or Elegant Silk Dress Pattern, value \$40.00. The one making the fourth best average, will be rewarded with a first-class Kodak, Photographic Camera, value \$30.00. Each of the next five making the best averages, will be rewarded with a Coin Silver watch of elegant design, and first-class time-keeper, value \$10.00. Each of the next fifty making the best averages, will be rewarded with either a girls or boys, A 1. Pocket Knife, containing four blades of the best Sheffield steel, value \$1.50 each. If more than one correct answer is received, the one bearing the earliest postmark will be awarded the leading prize, the others following in order of merit.

THE QUESTIONS.

The beautiful month of September. A deep, wide, rapid flowing river, whose bank on the North is high, steep, and rocky. Perched upon a point of this high bank, is a city surrounded by walls, and defended by a brave army under a brave general. Fleets of war-ships have for months held the river below and vainly sought to force the surrender of the city. One dark night soldiers from the ships scramble up the steep bank, and with their General, gain the plain above. The morning light reveals to the garrison of the city, its enemy ready for attack. A fierce battle ensues. The generals of both armies die from wounds received. The city is captured. 1. Give the names of the river, city and generals. 2. What nations were represented by the two armies? 3. Which army formed the garrison of the city? 4. By what name is the fierce battle known? 5. In what year did these things happen? 6. What was the result of the capture of the city?

The answers to the above questions must be accompanied by \$1.00 for a year's subscription to THE QUEEN. The Young People's Department of THE QUEEN, is devoted solely to entertaining and instructing the youth of Canada. The popularity of "Uncle Joe," who has charge of this Department is demonstrated by the fact that he receives daily, from sixty to one hundred letters and puzzles for publication from young people residing in all parts of the globe.

SPECIAL DAILY PRIZE.

Each day during this Competition, either a First-class Stem Winding Nickel Watch, a good time keeper, or an Elegant Silver Desert Set, (Cream and Sugar) value \$8.00, will be awarded to the person from whom the first correct answers to above questions are received at THE QUEEN office, and opened, for that day.

The history of our Country should interest every loyal Canadian. If you are a little rusty on this subject, take down your old school history, study up and join THE QUEEN'S "National History School."

The distribution of rewards will be in the hands of disinterested persons, and decisions will be based on the correctness of the answers. Competitors can use their own language in wording their answers.

Answers may be sent in any time before April 10th, but as postmarks may count in awarding the leading prizes, it is better to send as early as possible. No correction can be made after your answers are mailed.

Every one answering the entire six question correctly, will receive a present.

If you have never seen a copy of THE QUEEN, send four 3c. stamps for a late number containing full particulars of all THE QUEEN'S Competitions, and letters from persons who have received over \$10,000 in prizes during the past year. We intend distributing prizes to the value of \$25,000 during 1891.

Our National History Competition is entirely separate and distinct from any other Contest offered by THE QUEEN, and all communications concerning it, must be addressed

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TRY TO BE REASONABLE!

IMMEDIATELY after the award of prizes in our different competitions, the undertaking of sending them out is begun, and they are all forwarded to their respective owners just as fast as the clerical force in the office of THE QUEEN will allow. To send out all the prizes distributed by us in the last competition will take at least five weeks. A great number have already been forwarded, and they are being sent out daily. We have already commenced to receive letters from persons asking why they do not receive what is coming to them, and throwing out all manner of insinuations as to the lack of good faith, because they have not already received their prize. Our competitions are given for the purpose of interesting intelligent persons in this publication, and not to satisfy the ignorant mass of "grabbers," who would not be satisfied with anything less than the leading prize, and who, because it was awarded to someone else instead of themselves, question the fairness and impartiality of our competitions. The plan on which our contests are conducted is to give a certain percentage, regularly, of our income for subscriptions, back to our subscribers by way of competitions, to retain their interest in the publication, and to induce their friends to try it for a year, our object being to so interest them in the magazine as to retain them as permanent subscribers in the future. The number of leading prizes, when compared with the number of persons who enter our competitions, is very small indeed, and the greatest number of the competitors in our contest must expect to receive prizes, which, while useful and desirable, are of small value. We shall adhere strictly to our rule regarding the answering of correspondence relative to our contest. If you do not receive your prize within a few days after the award, it will be unnecessary for you to write us, as we cannot stop and waste more time in looking up the matter than would take to send off the article when your name is each on our subscription books, but shall consign your letter to the waste paper basket. If, after a reasonable time, giving your complete address, etc., and we will have the matter investigated and see that you receive all that is your due. If you do not receive one of the leading prizes, you may rest assured that your list, for some reason or other, was smaller than others. It makes no difference to us who secures the prizes, they are all given strictly in order of merit, and without partiality to persons or locality, and expressions of dissatisfaction regarding the prizes from that class of chronic grumblers who are never satisfied, will receive no explanation or answer from us. It costs nothing to enter our competitions: you pay \$1.00 for a year's subscription to THE QUEEN, and the competitions are strictly free. The magazine is well worth all that is paid for it. This explanation is not intended for the thousands of our subscribers who take THE QUEEN for its worth, as a clean and entertaining family magazine, but to those who subscribe simply for the purpose of securing a large prize, and are not particular in what manner they secure it, and who would never be satisfied to see anyone else carry off the leading prizes, even if they had a personal knowledge that the parties winning same had worked much harder in the contest, and rightly deserved all that they had received.

REQUIRES IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.

In the September number of THE QUEEN we announced that all those entering the Word Contest would have to pay 25cts. as a uniform charge for packing and forwarding their prize. Nearly all have complied with this rule, but if there are any who have neglected to do this, who forwarded lists for the competition closing Dec. 5th, it will be necessary that this amount, 25cts. (in silver or scrip) shall be mailed before Feb. 1st. All prizes will be forwarded as promptly as possible after receipt of this amount