

The Young Canadian

IS A HIGH-CLASS ILLUSTRATED WEEKLY MAGAZINE FOR THE
YOUNG PEOPLE OF CANADA.

ITS AIM

Is to foster a national pride in Canadian progress, history, manufactures, science, literature, art, and politics; to draw the young people of the Provinces closer together; and to inspire them with a sense of the sacred and responsible duties they owe to their native country.

ITS FEATURES

Are Original Literary and Artistic Matter; Fine Paper; Clear Type; Topics of the Day at Home and Abroad; Illustrated Descriptions of our Industries and of our Public Works; Departments in History, Botany, Entomology, etc., with prizes to encourage excellence; a Reading Club, for guidance in books for the young, an invaluable help to families where access to libraries is uncertain; a Post Bag of questions and answers on everything that interests the young; and a means of providing for the people of the Dominion a thoroughly high-class Magazine of Canadian aim, Canadian interest, and Canadian sentiment.

THE SUBSCRIPTION PRICE

Is Two Dollars per annum, in advance, with reduced rates for clubs of ten and twenty. Subscriptions may commence at any time. Money should be sent by P. O. Order or Bank Cheque.

A LIMITED SPACE

Is allotted for high-class advertisements, and as The Young Canadian is the only young people's Magazine in Canada, it is the most direct means of reaching their eye and ear.

Address:

THE YOUNG CANADIAN CO.,

BOX 1896.

MONTREAL

DOMINION DAY.

National holidays are like the memorial stones set up by the Children of Israel after crossing the river Jordan, set up in order that those who come after them may ask, "what do these things mean?" Twenty-four years ago our fathers appointed the first of July a national holiday and called it Dominion Day. To very many we fear Dominion Day means just a holiday, a day of pleasure, a day for an outing or an occasion for fireworks and nothing more. We keep holiday on the first of July because twenty-four years ago, that is to say on July 1, 1867, the provinces of Upper Canada (now called Ontario), Lower Canada (now called Quebec), Nova Scotia and New Brunswick were united by the royal proclamation of Queen Victoria as the Dominion of Canada. It was proposed to call the new federation the Kingdom of Canada and the Dominion is really almost an independent Kingdom enjoying the protection of the British empire and a rich endowment of British political institutions. In the days of imperial Rome whenever a new conquest was made, a Roman consul was sent to govern the conquered country according to Roman ideas. Great Britain, greater and wiser than Rome, encourages her distant colonies to govern themselves as soon as they display the strength and capacity for self-government. That is why Canadians are proud to call themselves British subjects and proud of their share in the glorious traditions of the empire. England has sometimes departed from this great principle of equal liberty to British subjects at home and abroad, but always to her own loss. As her greatest poet has written:

This England never did nor never shall
Lie at the proud foot of a conqueror
But when it first did wound itself—

Come the three corners of the world in arms and we shall shock
them,
Naught shall make us rue if England to itself do rest but true.

Whatever the political destiny of Canada may be, may she be true to the principles that have made England great, and may Canadians be worthy of their own great country and their own glorious history.

EDITOR'S PIGEON-HOLES.

HERE IS THE GOLD WATCH.

It looks a beauty. Does it not? It was intended for the young Canadian who sent me the largest number of subscribers on the First of July—Dominion Day.

At the special request of my young workers I have postponed the decision till October first. They could not begin till school was over, they said, and could work twice as well then. Every week send in your names and



addresses, with the money by P. O. Order or Registered Letter. It will all be entered to your name, and kept till the final day. My object in asking you to send them every week is that the new subscribers may get THE YOUNG CANADIAN at once.

THE EDITOR.

YOUNG CANADIAN HISTORICAL CALENDAR.

JULY.

1. Quebec founded by Champlain	1608
2. Lake Champlain discovered by Champlain	1609
3. Battle between Champlain and Iroquois	1609
4. Three Rivers founded by La Violette	1634
5. Lake Huron discovered by Champlain	1645
6. Fort Niagara surrendered to England	1759
7. Americans defeated at Oriskany	1777
8. Mackinaw surrendered to England	1812
9. Americans defeated at Lundy's Lane	1814
10. First Iron Steamer built in Canada, launched at Montreal	1843
11. Railway from Montreal to Portland	1853
12. The Great Eastern arrived at Quebec	1861
13. The Atlantic Cable laid	1866
14. Nova Scotia and New Brunswick confederated with the Dominion	1867
15. Hudson's Bay Territory united to Canada	1870
16. Manitoba Province formed	1870
17. British Columbia joined the Dominion	1871
18. Prince Edward Island joined the Dominion	1873
19. Railway from Quebec to Halifax	1876
20. Canada joined the Postal Union	1878
21. Lachine Bridge over St. Lawrence opened	1887

Our young competitors are reminded that their essays must be sent in by July 31st. The Prize for July will be a beautiful patent convertible pen and pencil-holder.