

Correspondence

ON TRIAL TO NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

Duluth, Minn.

Dear Editor,—I live in the beautiful 'Zenith City,' or Duluth. Duluth has a background of very high hills, and Lake Superior lies to the east and St. Louis Bay to the west. We can skate in covered rinks on the bay, but the lake is too large to freeze. We had very little snow last winter, so the ice went out in March. It is very stormy on the lake, and the waves from the canal often come upon the avenue. The city is supplied with clear, cold water from the lake. Next year we expect to have a water power greater than Niagara. Last summer our family camped in a caboose at 'Spirit Lake.' Duluth has many pretty parks and drive ways. Our school system is the best in the United States, and our High School is the largest in America. We are taught to fence, jump, kick and punch. My teacher is Miss Bell, and our principal is Miss Ensign. We have had the 'Witness,' 'Sabbath Reading' and 'Messenger' in our family ever since they have been printed.

DAISY S. (aged 14).

Marshalltown, N.S.

Dear Editor,—As I have never seen any letters from Marshalltown, I will try and write you a short letter. My sister Blanche takes the 'Messenger,' and we all like to read it very much. Grandma gave it to her as a present about a year ago, and my grandma takes it too. I go to school nearly every day. My teacher's name is Miss Alva E. Mullen. I like her very much. I am in the seventh grade, and my lessons are geography, history, reader, grammar, arithmetic and Evangeline. I think Evangeline is a lovely poem. I live on a farm. My father has seven cows, and he has two horses now, their names are Nellie and Dick. We don't have any sheep. The school-teacher boards here. We like her very much. The school-house is about half a mile from here. It is just a nice walk in summer, and it is quite cold in the winter. It is very pleasant around here, and the train runs through our pasture. My brother Claude carries the mail and last week he was helping papa farm, and I took the mail for him. I think it is great fun to carry the mail. I love to read books. I have four brothers and one sister. The oldest of the family is eighteen years old and the youngest is two years old. I hope this letter will be in print, it is the first one I ever wrote, and hope it isn't too long.

OLIVE A. M. (aged 11).

St. John's, Nfld.

Dear Editor,—As I did not see any letter from St. John's, I thought that I would write one. St. John's has one of the finest harbors in the world, and the entrance to it is called The Narrows. The view from the Southside Hills is delightful and amply repays us for the trouble of climbing up. On the opposite side are the principal houses of the town above which the towers of the Roman Catholic cathedral loom majestically. On the east you can see the Cabot Tower and the fishing stages that are built close to the water of the harbor. On the west are farm houses and meadows and the Waterford River, which glides slowly and musically along. Far above us the rugged hills extend, and at our feet is the harbor, where we go boating in summer, and where numerous steamers and vessels lie at anchor. I go to school and study history, French, domestic economy, arithmetic, grammar, geography, algebra, hygiene and English literature. I must stop now, as I think that my letter is long enough.

BEATRICE K.

Ebo Vale, P.Q.

Dear Editor,—As I have never seen any letters from here, I thought I would write one. I am a little girl twelve years old. I go to school in the summer and am in the fifth reader. It is only a few weeks since we subscribed for the 'Northern Messenger,' we are all very fond of reading it. I have two brothers and two sisters; there are none of them at home now. I have a niece who is a year older than I am. She has been with us for over a year now. My birthday is on the same day as Pearl's and Silvia's, November 3. I have a cat, and a dog, a cow, a sheep and a little lamb. We live one mile from school, and two and one-half miles

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from church. We have Sunday-school in summer, but not in winter. We live on a farm.

KATIE McD.

Baysville, Ont.

Dear Editor,—I live on a farm, and I have five brothers and one sister. My brother is building a saw mill. We live eight miles from a post-office. I have one mile and a quarter to go to school. Our school is stopped because we cannot get a teacher. Our preacher's name is Mr. Robertson. I like him very much. My father is a farmer and we have one horse and a colt named Jess. We have four cows and two pigs and some sheep and chickens. My sister takes the 'Messenger,' and we like it very much. I have a dog named Nero, and we have a cat named Nancie. My dog draws me all over the place in the winter. I am twelve years old. My birthday is on June 30. We found May flowers on April 13. We have good times in the winter sleigh-riding on the crust. I study reading, spelling, geography, history, grammar, writing, but my favorite study is history, and I am in the fourth book. I hope I will see my letter in print. My sister teaches the Bible class in Sunday-school.

ROBERT H. B.

Glenboro'.

Dear Editor,—I have never tried to write before, but I am going to try now to let you know how I like reading the 'Northern Messenger.' The reason I like it most is it is so suited for almost all ages. Perhaps the readers of your paper would like to hear an account of our town, 'Glenboro.' In the heart of an excellent agricultural district, it speedily attracted the attention of business men, and an impetus was given to the growth of the town. Five elevators furnish abundant facilities for handling the large crop which is yearly marketed at Glenboro', and the best equipped country mill around draws the trade from twenty to thirty miles. Four general stores, four blacksmith shops, one lumber yard, one machine shop, four implement warehouses and two hotels, the 'Leland' and 'Queen's,' are doing a thriving business. The Union Bank of Canada has a branch at this point. There are two churches, the Methodist (pastor being Rev. Mr. Spence), and the Presbyterian (pastor being Rev. Mr. Patterson.) Glenboro' is not incorporated, fire and sanitary matters being looked after by the town board, elected annually. The school is a large two-story building, with four efficient teachers. Cypress Agricultural Society hold their annual exhibition in Glenboro', some time in July. Excuse me for having such a lengthy letter, but I could not make it much shorter and tell all, so I will close, promising to write soon again.

B. ROSS.

Stanbridge.

Dear Editor,—I get the 'Messenger' at Sunday-school, and enjoy reading the correspondence. I go to school the distance of two miles. My teacher's name is Miss Jessie Corey; she has taught our school over twelve years. I hope she will teach next year. We had an entertainment on Empire day. I have one sister, her name is Lorenia. We love our Sabbath teacher; we have a nice superintendent, his name is Mr. Welch. We live on a farm, and have eight cows, two horses, two big pigs and seven little pigs, for our pets a dog named Watch, and three cats, their names are Puss, Kitten, and Dinah. I feel sorry for the little girl who is a little invalid and cannot walk or use her right hand that I read about in the correspondence. My grandma is sick and we chil-

dren walked through the woods to see her, and we picked some wild flowers for her, and we had fun going up there, though sorry to find that she was so sick. I was eight years old the day that the Queen died.

MARY W.

Denmark, N.S.

Dear Editor,—I get the 'Messenger' at our Junior Christian Endeavor, and appreciate it very much. I am fond of reading, especially about adventures. I go to school, and am in grade nine. My teacher's name is Miss Taylor, and I like her very well. Far ahead loom the summer holidays, and I need not say that I will be glad when they come. Meantime the May-flowers are in bloom, and it is great fun looking for them. But it is not so pleasant as it might be, because we have had so much rain. However, I need not grumble, for where would our flowers be if we had no rain? Wishing the 'Messenger' success.

SADIE CAMPBELL (aged 13).

Souris.

Dear Editor,—I am a little girl of eleven years. This is my second letter to the Editor. I like the 'Messenger' very much. I have three sisters and four brothers, and two sisters in heaven. My mother and father are both living. My second sister was the first born in this settlement. I live on a farm two miles and a half from school. We have a lot of cattle and horses. I have a brother and sister going to school with me. I am in the third book. I take up geography and arithmetic and writing, reading and composition. We have a lovely teacher, her name is Miss Balfour. We have one of the largest county schools in Manitoba. We have fifty scholars on the roll now. My eldest brother lives up at Hamiota. My mother and father were down visiting their home in Nova Scotia last winter for the first time in twenty years, and of course they saw quite a change. The baby in our family is eight years old. We had a terrible flood here this spring, it took our big iron bridge away, so we have to cross the Souris River on a ferry now. It seems very much like old times.

M. B. B.

Yale, Mich.

Dear Editor,—My letter appeared in the 'Messenger' a couple of weeks ago, and at the end I offered to correspond with any one who would write, but the letters were so numerous that I cannot answer them all, so I will take this opportunity to answer them through the 'Messenger.' Would you kindly oblige me with an early insertion of this in the 'Messenger.' I am very much pleased with the 'Messenger,' and look forward to its weekly arrival with much pleasure. I like the stories in the paper very much. We live on a forty-acre farm with a very comfortable house on it. We have one horse, two cows, a calf and about 60 hens, and in addition we have 30 young turkeys this spring. My sister has one pet turkey named Tutsie.

ALICE GUY (aged 11).

EDITOR'S NOTE.

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