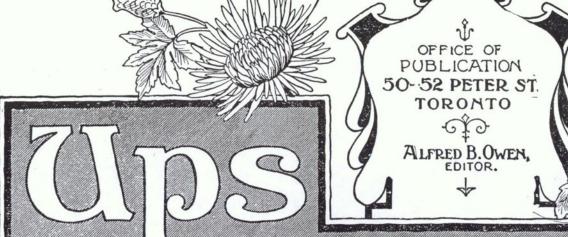
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EDITORIAL NOTES

Our Regrets WE have to ask for the indulgence of our readers. We realize that the present number of UPS AND DOWNS

will be smaller in bulk than usual, and we have no sort of hope that it will in any case make up in quality what it lacks in quantity. The fact is that the rush of work that we have had to deal with during the past few weeks has left us the barest minimum of time for the preparation of material for UPS AND Downs. Indeed, to be quite candid, we feel mentally about "all in," and we tackle our present task with the feeling of an exhausted swimmer attempting to cross a river. We are quite sure we shall never reach the other side and shall have to put back ignominiously unless, indeed, some kindly current should catch us in our buffettings and struggles and carry us across to that blessed farther shore where—not shining ones await us, but someone who will sound the glad tidings in our ears—"Enough Copy!" When we hear that, we shall be able to sing our "Nunc Dimittis" and leave for England with a clear conscience.

The Spring Rush APRIL has been a rush month for us with a vengeance. We reached Toronto at 1 a.m. on the morning of

the 2nd with our first party of the season, that numbered in all 318-girls, boys and grown-ups - after a long, stormy, trying passage of seventeen days, followed by an aggravating detention of forty-eight hours on arrival at St. John. On the day previous, the first of the month, several hundred boys had completed their engagements, and on their behalf settlements were to be made with as many hundred employers. Letters were coming in—200 by the first delivery, 75 by the second, 50 by the third, and so on-leaving hardly time to get one batch out of their envelopes before another was waiting. The quarterly payment for each of our 1,500 boarders was due, and the foster-parents looking out for their money orders and sending in their quarterly reports. The demand for boys was just at its height and applications raining in on us from far and near. Everything, in fact, seemed to be piling in at once; but, however,

we are through it at last and still survive. The members of the party are all settled down in their new homes; the money matters of most of our various timeexpired boys have been adjusted and settled; the foster-parents have received their payments, and as far as the demand is concerned, we have as many applications on the books as will provide for every boy whom we shall be able to place between now and the fall of the year, and a circular that says in effect, "Very sorry we cannot do anything for you," is the only answer we can now give to the people who write us by every mail for boys and are often so slow to understand why they cannot be supplied. And now we are getting ready for another party, and have only UPS AND Downs to get out before we start off to fetch them.

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Our March party was fully up to the average, and in Latest saying this, be it noted Contingent we pay its members a very high compliment. In appearance, health and general physique, and in conduct and behaviour, they were a very desirable and, in fact, a very fine lot of chil-There were a number of goodsized, well-grown lads and lasses, ready to go at once to work and able to give good service, and a large contingent of sturdy, healthy little folk not yet old enough to be self-supporting, but whom a few years of boarding-out in Canada will make into splendid material for future colonists. We left London on the 13th of March and Havre on the 16th, our ship being the Allan Line Corinthian, an old and tried friend, very staunch, very steady, but, except under the most favourable weather conditions, very, almost painfully, slow. Having had a nineteen-day passage in the Corinthian twelve months previously, we felt justified, according to the law of

averages, in expecting this time to get across in twelve or fourteen days, especially as we had ascertained that her bunkers had been filled with good Scotch coal instead of the mud and dust that, according, at any rate, to engineers and firemen, has too often to do duty as ship's coal. Our calculations were disappointed, and a persistent succession of strong westerly winds, occasionally rising to gales, kept us back day after day. The roomy, well-ventilated comfortable quarters with which our parties are provided on the Corinthian deprives even an abnormally long passage of much of its hardships and terrors, and the loss of time is the principal drawback. However, it gives us the opportunity of seeing more and knowing more of our young people, and using the ship, as we do, for a Distributing Home, the extra days at sea perhaps enable us to accomplish more successfully the responsible and often perplexing task of assigning the boys to their respective situations or foster-homes, and save us from putting round pegs into square holes. Certainly the children themselves do not suffer, and "having the time of their lives" is an observation we often hear from fellow passengers when an interval of fine weather gives us an opportunity of getting everybody up for a run and play on deck.

WE must not inflict upon
On the our readers a narrative of
"Corinthian" the journey; it would be
too much like the story
that we have so often told before, and
our voyage on the Corinthian was not
marked by any special or exciting incidents. Of course, everybody got sick
and equally, of course, everybody got
well. If everybody was not always good,
we failed to discover it, or, at any rate,
any badness that manifested itself was
of a mild type. There were, no doubt,

boys capable of the iniquity of "aiming" a pillow at a chum in the opposite berth after the order had been given for silence at night, and we have to acknowledge that there were occasions on which jam was abstracted from plates that the steward had put down and left unwatch-There were boys who wilfully neglected to wash their necks at the morning ablutions if they thought there was a possibility of evading Mr. Loftin's inspection, and would go forth bearing the evidence of their guilt in the shape of the "high-water" mark that, later on, would bring certain detection and the punishment of the unwashed. among the girls, Mrs. Lloyd could probably tell of misdemeanours of equally serious character. We do not, indeed, suppose that girls throw pillows, but we are sure from our observations that they inherit the same weakness for jam; indeed, we might remind ourselves that it was Eve who had the first helping of the forbidden fruit, and as for washing, we fear that the temptation to shirk soap and water is no respector of sexes, These little matters aside, however, our boys and girls gave us no trouble, and there was not an individual in the party whom we could not say had behaved well during the time that he or shé was under our charge.

As for our own particular task of selecting and allotting boys to their future destinations, it would have

been easier, and certainly more grateful, if we had had a party of three thousand instead of three hundred. As it is, the process becomes a sort of long-drawn-out "What a pity!" If we thought aloud, as we turn over the application sheets and papers, anyone within earshot would hear a continuation of "Cannot we find a boy, anyhow, for So-and-so? Such an excellent place.

Isn't there anyone old enough for these people, who did so splendidly well for such-and-such a boy who was with them so many years? No, nobody; cannot help it." Turn over more sheets in despair—lists and lists of applications; spaces for the boys' names—absolutely blank; not a boy to fill into them. Disheartening, sickening! All we can do is to place such boys as we have in the very best situations or foster-homes we can select for them, and certainly with such an unlimited choice it would be a serious reflection upon our judgment if we sent any boy to a doubtful or inferior home.

Well Started ily congratulate the large number of our boys who have this spring finished

apprenticeships or first engage-Of course, we have similarly commended many thousands of other boys in former years, but we are not on this account to withhold our congratulations from the latest contingent to whom honour is due and who have been a credit to the Homes and to themselves. These boys were originally engaged, after a period of trial, for the terms of three, four or five years which they have just completed. During that time they have been supplied with board, lodging, clothing, schooling, up to the legal limit of school age, and they now receive a lump sum, generally \$100.00. The large proportion are now in their seventeenth year, so that they are old enough to be able to have a voice in the management of their affairs, although they are still, according to the Provincial Statutes, under the legal guardianship of the Managers or representatives of the They are permitted, however, to hire themselves, and their liberties are not restricted as long as they are keeping within bounds and conducting

Most of those themselves creditably. who completed their engagements on the 1st of April have hired again with the same employers or otherwise in the same neighbourhood, and generally the bargains that they have made for themselves have been very satisfactory. It has been most encouraging to read the testimonies given by employers to the worth and good behaviour of the boys who have been with them. In many of the letters that we have received during the past month the writers have not stinted their words of praise, and the subjects of such letters may be sure that these testimonies will bear fruit a little later on when we come to the awarding of medals for good conduct and length of service.

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The system on which we The place our boys of various Boarding out ages, and by which we System seek to fulfil our duties and responsibilities as their Guardians and Trustees, is occasionally criticised; but the added experience of successive years has failed, so far, to show us a more excellent way. We lay claim to no perfection, and we hope always to be ready to learn and to follow the leading of anyone who can guide us in the direction of improvement; but while our methods may have their defects, we can see at present no fairer or more generally advantageous arrangements for our boys than we now make for them. younger boys—that is, boys under twelve —are boarded-out, which means that a monthly payment is made from the funds of the Homes for their maintenance, in consideration of which they are fed, clothed, educated and cared for. boarding-out system we are prepared to defend against all comers. We are sometimes told that it is unnecessary; that there are plenty of people who are ready and willing to take children for

the love of taking them, and who regard it as a pleasure and privilege to have the care and upbringing of a child entrusted to them without any money consideration whatever. We admit that there are such people; we have had dealings with them, and can point to cases in which persons with no family of their own have opened their homes and their hearts to a little stranger child. and have given it all the affection and care that any parent could bestow. But such cases are not common, and if large numbers of children of tender age were placed out on terms of so-called "adoption," the system would very soon be found to give rise to grave abuses. Children would be required to work at a much earlier age than is right and would be put to work that was beyond their strength, while, as they grew up, "adoption" could simply be made an excuse for not paying them the wages they were capable of earning and were entitled to receive. Under the boarding-out system, there are not these risks or disadvantages. We are under no obligations to the persons who receive the children, and can enforce, as a matter of contract, their It makes receiving proper treatment. the children an object of consideration to their foster-parents, and gives them a certain value in their eyes instead of their being dependent and a burden and source of expense. We are sometimes told that people who take our little boys and girls only do so for the sake of the money they receive. We differ—emphatically differ; but even if it were so. it would be far better for the children that they should take them for the sake of the money they receive from the funds of the Guardian Institution than for the sake of the work they can get out of the children. It would be foolish to deny that the question of payment enters into the consideration of a good many of those who take our little boys and

girls. It is true that the payments are not large enough to leave any profit, so that it is not a matter of commercial speculation; but there are many excellent foster-parents who are glad to have the children and to give them a good home as long as they are not actually out of pocket, but who would not otherwise be in a position to take them. There is nothing in the fact that a child's maintenance is paid for to hinder its becoming an object of affection. A good foster-father or mother is not less likely to learn to love a little boy or girl, or the child to love them, because they receive a moderate payment for its support; rather, indeed, the reverse. Certainly if anyone should question our conclusions, we can demonstrate from hundreds—we might truthfully say from thousands-of cases how strong are the ties of affection which grow up between our boarders and their foster-parents, and which remain long after the children have become self-supporting and gone out into the world.

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When we come to children of rather more advanced Apprenticeage—of say thirteen or fourteen—the semi-apprenticeship system seems the most practical, the object being to secure for the boy a permanent home while he is receiving his training for future service. An agreement is generally entered into covering a period of three or four years, ending, in almost every case, on the 1st of April, as the season of the year when fresh arrangements for hiring can most easily be made. Under the conditions of the agreement, the employer is required to furnish board, lodging, clothing and all necessaries, to send the boy to school up to the age required by the Provincial School Act, and to pay him a net amount at the expiration of the engagement. This amount is fixed at \$100.00, \$120.00,

\$125.00 or \$150.00, according to our estimate of the boy's size, strength and general capability. When the engagement is completed and this money becomes due, the employer is authorized to hand one-fourth of the amount to the boy himself, taking his receipt on a form supplied for the purpose, which is sent. in to the Home with a remittance of the remaining three-fourths. The money thus received is forthwith deposited in the Bank, in trust for the boy. A special certificate of deposit, signed by the Superintendent and by the Manager of the Bank, is sent to the boy and retained in his possession. The amount that is paid direct to the boy enables him torig himself out with any clothing that he may require, to buy himself a watch if he has set his heart on possessing one, and gives him something to go on with, while the money in the bank is a reserve fund held in trust for him until he comes of age, unless it is required in the meantime to meet some necessity. By means of this arrangement, we are enabled to fulfil the requirements of the law that appoints us the legal guardians of the young people brought to this country under our charge, and which enacts: that for the protection of their "persons and earnings" we shall "have all the powers and shall perform all the duties required by law of the guardian of an infant"; an infant, we may remind our readers, being, in legal phraseology, not a babe in arms as understood in ordinary language, but a person under twentyone years of age. We do not know how better we can fulfil our legal obligation or make more favourable terms for our youngsters in their early teens. Thereare, no doubt, isolated cases in which boys are underpaid and could command, during the last year of the apprenticeship, a higher wage than they receive under the agreement; but we regard the employer as entitled to some recompense for his maintenance and care of the boy at the early period of the engagement when he was going to school and his services were of comparatively little value, although his appetite was doubtless healthy, and his capacity for wearing out boots and clothes unlimited. There are other cases in which the employer receives perhaps less than his due, but the possibility of any serious injustice to either party is guarded against by the provision in the agreement, by which the engagement can be terminated by either party giving a month's notice to the other in writing. If, therefore, it transpires that a boy had so developed in strength and usefulness that he is obviously worth to his employer considerably more than the agreement calls for his receiving, we do not scruple to give this notice, and either enter into a fresh arrangement with the same employer or transfer the boy to another place. Similarly, if a boy is small and delicate and the employer finds that he had made a bad bargain, we should expect to receive notice and should either have to modify our terms or receive the boy back. In actual practice, however, the percentage of cases in which agreements have to be set aside is only a very small one, and with the large majority the term of service is fulfilled faithfully and to the satisfaction of all parties.

Young WageEarners hired at monthly wages, beginning at once and varying according to their earning powers. The agreement is only for as long a period as would seem necessary to allow before the boys have gained sufficient experience and become sufficiently established in the country to make their own arrangements. No engagement is for a less period than twelve

months, and invariably ends in the spring, so that there can be no risk of a boy being without a place for the winter. The wages are graduated for the twelve months, being higher during the busy season and less during the winter, so that a lad whose wage was \$100.00 for the year with board and lodging, would be paid \$10.00 a month for the eight months from the 1st of April to the 1st of December, and \$5.00 per month from the 1st of December to the 1st of April. Out of this wage he would, of course, provide his own clothing. A statement of amounts advanced or expended is rendered to us at the end of the year, and any balance that is left paid over and deposited to the lad's credit in the Savings Bank.

THE net result of all the different arrangements Thrift and Opportunity made for our boys is that, on the 1st of April of each year, a good many thousands of dollars are paid into the Bank to their credit, and that there are very few who on coming of age are not possessed of a nice little bank balance. What they afterwards do with this money is their own affair. As we know from long experience, there are those who soon make it fly and to whom it would be all the same whether they had possession of their money at fifteen or at fifty; but we are glad to say that these cases are not the rule. Happily for our boys, while we are laying up their money for them most of their employers are teaching them both by example and precept the lessons of thrift and saving. Whatever other vices or virtues may characterize the average Canadian farmer, he is very seldom a spendthrift. He has generally had to work hard for what he has made, and he knows how to keep and take care of it. Furthermore, as things are now in Canada, there is always the powerful in-

centive to save money which comes from the knowledge that there are splendid opportunities for anyone with a little capital to start out for himself. There lie before the youth of Canada the great Western plains with their boundless wealth of natural resources. Our boys have no need to be always "hewers of wood and drawers of water" for others; they can go West with their few hundred dollars of savings, take up homesteads and very soon become men of property and substance. Even in the older provinces there are abundant opportunities for starting for themselves, so that they have every inducement and encouragement to save. We right well know that they are doing it, and if the wealth and worldly possessions of onetime Barnardo boys could be totalled, it would reach a figure that we venture to say would startle even people who are accustomed to think in millions, and for this result we feel justified in taking some credit for the system under which we look after and husband their first earnings and savings.

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A GLANCE at our list of donations on the following Contributors page (pages to be more correct) will show that while our boys are saving they are not altogether unmindful of the duty of giving. We must not say that in this respect all have done their duty or that any have done more than their duty, but the list of donations is not one to be ashamed of, and we heartily and gratefully thank our young donors for the extent that they have assisted in giving to others the same helping hand and the same start in life as they received them-We would wish it to be clearly known and understood that these offerings and donations are entirely voluntary. We exact no contribution and levy no tax on our boys and girls in return for what has been done for them. What they give they give freely and of their own accord, and they deserve credit and thanks accordingly.

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WE desire to commend to "Smithers", our readers a book that ought to be in the possession of every one of our boys and girls in Canada. Its title is "Smithers," and it contains an absolutely true account, written in a charmingly graphic style, of a Barnardo boy: the circumstances under which he came to the Home; of his stay at Leopold House; of his journey to Canada; of his going to his first foster-home, and of some of his after-experiences. The author is that tried and valued friend to our work and to our boys, Mr. Arthur E. Copping, who, having actually travelled with his hero and lived under the same roof with him in Canada, has gathered his material at first hand. "Smithers" is having a wide sale in England and has already achieved great popularity. The published price is one shilling. We propose to lay in a stock for the benefit of our young people in Canada, and shall be glad to supply them from the office in Toronto at a price of 25c., including the postage. We do not suppose that this is a sound commercial proposition, after allowance is made for carriage, duty, postage, etc., and we do not invite anyone to join us in the venture; but any loss that is incurred we shall cheerfully regard as our personal contribution towards the circulation of a book that is of so much interest to us and is so calculated to help the work of the Homes.

On reading over the first two paragraphs of Editorial Notes, the Editor's conscience (although he is an Editor, he still has something of a conscience left) smites him. We fear that,

when referring to the rush of our April work, we may have unwittingly conveyed the impression that the Editor himself draws the whole load. Nothing could be further from the truth, and certainly nothing could be more repugnant to the Editor than to assume, or appear to assume, the credit for other people's work. Well he knows and realizes that when he is away on the ocean or in England Mr. Black is working day and night to keep up the correspondence, and we see, on our return, how the strain has told upon him, and we are always glad to be once again able to shoulder the burden. We regard it as one of our nightly duties to chase Mr. Johnston out of the office lest he should forget entirely to go home and we should have to face a day of reckoning with Mrs. Johnston: but however late may be the hour when he does finally leave, he will be at the desk again the next morning long before the commencement of ordinary business hours. When, owing to the unforeseen delay in our arrival, the distribution of the party had to be very hurriedly accomplished, every man on the staff was ready to work all night, and it was well on in the small hours when we accomplished a tour of the crowded dormitories to see if there were any vacant cots on which Mr. Bruce, Mr. Stanners, Mr. Johnston and Mr. Rogers could stretch out for a couple of hours; while Mr. Davis preferred to hold the fort down stairs, and if he slept at all we imagine it must have been at his desk. The bulk of the banking business is transacted by Miss Edna Pirie. Her labours are not light when several scores of new accounts are being opened each

day, yet it is the rarest occurrence to find the slightest mistake in any of her books. Mrs. Foster has charge of the clerical work of the Boarding-Out Department as well as of the Applications, and her hands are full with the details of these two important Departments. If Mrs. Foster were not accurate and painstaking, we should soon be in dire straits, and should be paying Mrs. John Smith for the board of Tom Jones instead of paying Mrs. Tom Jones for the board of John Smith, or we should be refusing the application of Donald Macdonald, whose minister had written to say he was an Elder of the Kirk and the soul of piety and integrity, and accepting that of Dougal McDougall, who had been reported to be a godless reprobate. We have, happily, no fear of Mrs. Foster's mixing up the Elder and the reprobate or paying anyone that which they are not entitled to receive. The onerous task of keeping track of the movements and whereabouts of our thousands of boys is the life labour of Miss Pansy Pirie, and those who lament hand-writing as a lost art would find joy and refreshment to their souls in the contemplation of Miss Pansy's books and registers. Every entry is not only strictly correct but beautifully clear, neat and legible. There are others whose names might deserve mention; but suffice it to say that we have a splendid staff, and the interests of our boys are served by those who have their hearts in the work and are doing their duty loyally and unsparingly, and whose labours, far from taking the credit to ourselves, we would acknowledge with gratitude and thankfulness of heart.



PERSONAL JOTTINGS

YYE have nothing startling or novel to relate of the doings of our boys during the past few months. No one, as far as we know, has been elected to the Presidency of a Republic, or gone on the hunger strike, or broken a bank, or broken into a bank. The tightness of the money market has not, so far as we have heard, led to any extensive liquidations among our young capitalists, neither has the collapse of some of the numerous real estate booms and sub-divisions driven anyone to suicide. The majority of our boys have been attending faithfully to business and, at the present time, are busily engaged in spring work on the farms.

Of a great many, however, we have received good news of various kinds. Thomas Hendry writes from Glenside, Saskatchewan, that he has been building a large frame barn on his place. He has had his ups and downs since he started for himself on his homestead in the West, but has not lost heart, and although, as he tells us in sending in his last donation, he is "a little hard run" at present, he cheerfully adds, "mine will come yet, and I haven't forgotten the kind ones that gave me the start nor the

bridge that carried me over."

Mr. Bruce supplies the following interesting item of intelligence regarding our young friend, Robert Thompson,

aged twenty-two:

Thompson is a tall, handsome fellow and enjoys the best of health. He has made arrangements with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Strange, his old foster-parents, to take possession of their farm on 1st May. He has made a substantial payment down and the balance arranged on mortgage. It is probable that, on the death of the Stranges, he will inherit their property. The farm is well stocked and there are a number of good horses.

Our old and valued friend, Percy seen an unwell day and is growing like a wee Carroll, has been referred to before in He is very busy preparing for the Third Book.

UPS AND Downs, but we cannot resist the pleasure of giving our readers the benefit of the testimony of Percy's pastor, to whom we had occasion to refer in connection with his application for a little boy as a boarder. The Rev. J. W. Cannon writes:

I married Mr. and Mrs. Carroll six weeks ago. He is one of the best young men in my church. His wife is a fine Christian woman. He is an exhorter and both teach in Sunday school.

Mr. Stanners gives the following report of William C. A. Evans, whom he recently called upon in the course of his visits

in the County of Lambton:

William intended to go to the West last fall, but he has a good home here, which he did not like to leave. Mr. Armstrong also held out the inducement of higher wages, which he accepted. He is now hired for a year at \$215.00 with board, washing and lodging. Mrs. Armstrong informed me that if they searched the whole Province, she does not think they could find a more suitable young man, as he is most exemplary in every way.

In respect to wages, Percy Hodges, although not yet seventeen, has gone one better than Willie. He is now hired at a wage of \$300.00 for twelve months with board, lodging and washing. "The highest wages that are paid in this section," writes his late employer, Mr. J. H. Johnson, of North Pelham. That Percy can command such a wage is greatly to the credit both of himself and the employer under whom he served his apprenticeship.

Among the many hundreds of good reports lately received from our little boarders we notice one particularly satisfactory. The subject, David Hutchinson, is an eight-year-old of the party of March, 1912. His foster-mother, Mrs.

Merriam, of Crediton, writes:

DEAR SIR,—Our little boarder is coming along splendid. He is just the kind of a boy we wished for. He is very honest and obedient, and we trust he may still continue to be. He has never seen an unwell day and is growing like a weed. He is very busy preparing for the Third Book.



F. A. EDWARDS

Another equally good report is that of Ernest Godbehere, whose foster-father, Mr. Alex. McInnis, of Muskoka Falls, writes:

Ernest Godbehere is in good health and spirits. He attends school regularly and is making fine progress. He does his work quite satisfactorily. There is a prize given in the Sabbath school at the end of the year for the most regular attendance. This year Ernest won it (a beautiful Bible), he going fifty Sundays out of fifty-two.

We have heard with great pleasure of the safe return of most of those who went over with our excursion party last fall,

and we think we are right in saying that every one of them is glad to find himself again on the Western side of the Atlantic. Among others, Hugh J. Armour writes that he found things "awful dull in England," and adds: "After being in England, I think Canada can't be beaten for a country in which young men can prosper." We think we might add with truth that Hugh is the stamp of young man who "can't be beaten" as material for useful and prosperous citizenship in the country.

In sad contrast to the above, we received, just about the same time, a piteous letter from the mother in England of a young man of twenty-one who had gone over to visit her, but, unhappily, without taking a return ticket. She writes:

He had a bit of work for three or four months with my husband, but on account of business being so slack he was put off and has done nothing for six weeks, and me having a very large family I am not in a position to provide for him, so he asked me to write to you and ask you if you could assist him in any way of getting out there again, as he cannot get on in this country. He has tried the town hall to emigrate, but they will not send him, as he has been before.

We look back mournfully over the letters we wrote this misguided youth, warning him against going over to England without the means of getting back. He was earning \$25.00 a month with his board, and would soon have had plenty to pay for a return ticket; but our warnings, were, unhappily, disregarded. We can do nothing now, and only refer to the incident as a warning to which we hope any of our friends will take heed who are in danger of following this sad example and meeting the same fate.

We very cordially congratulate our friend, Frank Edwards, upon all that he is able to tell of himself in the letter that follows. We can assure our friend, Frank, that we have never regarded him as one who took "the bit in his teeth"

in any rebellious or improper manner; indeed, as we look over his early record during the time when he was under our control and guardianship, we see every evidence of due submission to authority and general good conduct. Possibly Frank does not quite realize the fact that he has now been for twenty years in Canada; but so it is, and we follow our friend's recent letter with one that we received from him just twenty years ago. These letters may be said to illustrate the truth of the old adage that "The boy is father of the man."

42 HOLLY St., DAVISVILLE, Jan. 11th, 1913. DEAR SIR,—It is a long time since I wrote a line to you for UPS AND Downs, and possibly as you come across my name you have wondered where I was and how I am doing, especially as I am one of those who take the bit in their mouths and go their own gait, which is not always the best. Now, as to myself, I will leave it to you to judge. I came to Canada, March, 1893. I had 25c. on landing in Toronto. I now have one good team horses, two wagons, one sleigh, one buggy, one cutter, am the owner of fifty feet of land in North Toronto, a member of the North Toronto Volunteer Fire Brigade on No. 1 Hose Wagon, considered one of the best brigades in Ontario; but, best of all, I have one of the best wives in Canada, a native of Big Bay Point; also one little daughter. This is my standing to-day, and I hope it will help to make clear to critics of Dr. Barnardo's work that even those who disappear from view are not quite a failure. Now I intended to send a donation, but sickness and unforeseen circumstances pulled my account down considerably; but I will send some shortly. Now I must not take up your time, as there are others. I hope you will look over any slackness on my part in the past on a promise of better in the future. I have the honour to remain, your truly, F. A. EDWARDS.

P.S.—I have never had the desire to go home to England yet. "Canada is good enough for me."

EDMONTON Co., ONT., Aug. 19th, 1893.

DEAR SIR,—Since receiving your letter I am glad to say that I am getting on nicely in my place. Things are going on altogether different. I find that Mr. Marshall is a very nice master and takes an interest in getting me on. I am giving him as much satisfaction as I can. I might say I like my work very well, also the country. We have got a nice Methodist Church here, of which Mr. Marshall's son is organist.

I attend every Sunday and like the services very well. I hope the Home in England is doing well. I trust I will never forget Dr. Barnardo. If it had not been for him I do not know where I should have been. I must close now, as we are so busy. So with my best wishes for the Home both in England and Canada, I remain, yours obediently,

FRANK EDWARDS.

Mr. Stanners writes of our old friend.

Stanley George Hart:

Stanley, Mrs. Hart and their boy and girl are all well. The boy, seven years old, has just started to attend school, and everything about the place has a prosperous appearance. Stanley intends to plant a large number of fruit trees on his farm this spring, as it has been proven that this is one of the best fruit districts in Ontario.



FRED J. GITTINGS

Fred Gittings, who will soon have been eighteen years in Canada, sends us his photograph in the uniform of a Salvation Army band officer. He is at the present time secretary of the band in Brandon, Manitoba, but is looking forward to coming down to the training school in Toronto and in time becoming an officer in the Army. He writes:

I am doing my best to live a life that is a credit to the name I am not ashamed to take with me anywhere—that is, Dr. Barnardo's Home boy. I have a lot to thank God for for putting me in the hands of the Home. I thank God that He is helping me day by day to live a Christian life, and helping me to lead others to take up their cross for God and right. I still make my home with Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery, the people I was sent to from the Homes some fifteen years ago. I must say they are like father and mother to me.

It gives us sincere pleasure to present Timothy Bowler to our readers as he appears after having been for fourteen years in the same place, and we may add, fourteen years without our hearing a word of complaint or dissatisfaction. What our friend, Tim, is worth in real and personal property is not within our knowledge, but we know that he does not forget the Home, and we have had more than once to thank him for contributions in aid of the work.

Mr. Bruce tells us of our friend, Frederick Mitchell, that he "has bought and paid for a neat little home near the village of Strongville. He has constant work among the farmers in the neighbourhood, and his services are in great demand. He has a wife and one child. He is an active worker in the Church and takes a prominent part in Sunday school work."

We lately received the following letter from Walter F. G. Lockyer, who has just attained his tenth year in Canada and the twenty-first year of his age. His photograph is reproduced with others on an adjoining page: Dear Sir,—Being a long time since I wrote to you, I thought of letting you know how I am getting along. I am still at the same place and work at the cement plant, earning from fifty to sixty a month, which I think is not bad for a young man to start his manhood in, wishing that every boy would say the same as I do: work and save while you're young, so that when a cloudy day comes they have something to fall back upon. There are a lot of Home boys in this district, having one in our own house, his name being Walter Needham, who is getting along nicely. He is at school to-day, else I would have him drop you a few lines. Dear Mr. Owen, being twenty-one years old, I am sending you my bank book, wishing to draw my money, as I want to invest it in some property

soon, having \$600.00 saved already. I wish you

to take \$5.00 out of my account for the benefit

of the Homes, also one quarter for UPS AND

Downs, which will soon run out. Well, I think

I must close my letter, as it is getting late. Am sending you a photo of myself. From one

of your Home boys,

WALTER LOCKYER.

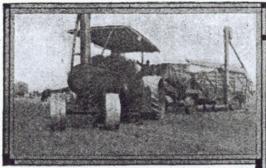
PORT COLBORNE, ONT., April 18th.

Mr. David, of Port Colborne, with whom Walter J. Cole has just finished a five-year engagement, writes that Walter has been offered \$45.00 a month for the year round. He adds, "He makes a good hand to recommend." We have to thank Walter for a donation of \$15.00.

Robert Kirk writes us from Suffield, Alta. He has taken up a homestead, respecting which he gives the following information:

I live about two miles from the Saskatchewan River, about thirty miles west of Medicine Hat. The Hat is going to be quite a town. A 1,000-barrel flour mill is being built and prospects of two 3,000-barrel mills in the near future, so we will have a pretty good market. There are quite a lot of natural gas wells in the Hat and around Bow Island, also coal. There is a coal mine two miles south of me and another two miles to the east, so you see there hardly will be a coal famine among the people around here. I have fifteen acres ready for crop, and hope to get five or ten acres broke in time to sow next spring. I bought a horse, or rather, a pony, last summer. I paid \$120 for him. He is nine years old. Horses are pretty dear up here. You cannot get a 1,200-tb. horse for less than \$200. I have hopes of picking up cheap a good yoke of oxen next summer.





Robert sends us some snapshots of himself and the threshing outfit with which he has been working that we are pleased to reproduce.

Charles Large has favoured us with his photograph and the

following letter:

SHELBURNE, April 21st, 1913.

DEAR MR. OWEN,—It is three years this July since I came here to live with Mr. Hector McVanel. I like Canada very much and also the place I am in. We have twenty-one head of

cattle and twelve sheep, three horses and one pig. We have thirty or forty hens and three ducks. I like working on a farm. I can drive horses and do quite a lot of work on a farm. It is getting near spring again. We are having very fine weather just now. We live three miles from Shelburne. I go to the Presbyterian Church in Shelburne with the family. We have 100 acres here and sixty on another place rented for this year. This is a very nice part of the country. I get the Ups and Downs and like reading them. We have some ploughing to do yet, as it was too wet to do it last fall. I am sending a photo of myself in this letter, and I would like to see it in the next Ups and Downs. I think I will close, as that is about all I have to say. I remain, one of your boys,

We are sure that Percy Mason will not resent our publishing a few extracts from the letter that we received from him a few weeks ago, and which is of interest both for the news it gives of the general affairs of the farm which has been Percy's home for several years past, and also of his own prospects for the future. We were pleased to be able to assure him that our full consent would be given to his using his money for the purpose of taking a Business College course.

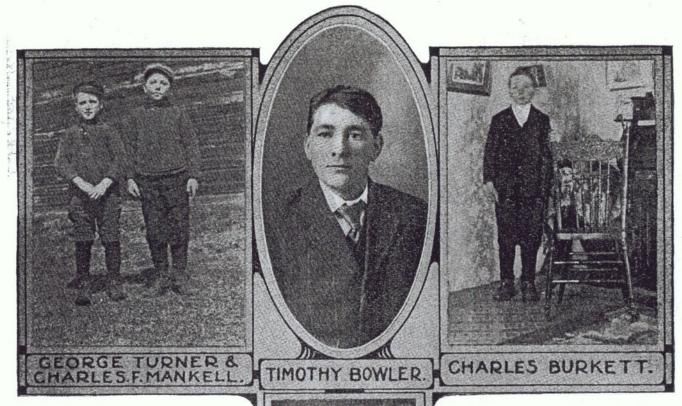


ROBERT KIRK

I received the medal safely and was very glad to get it, and thank you very much for sending it. I suppose you sent out a lot of medals this year, and I hope there were not any who were not able to get one. Ernest has gone away to work, about a month ago, to Mr. G. Becketts, about half a mile away, so I see him quite often. He had been here eight years. I will be here eight years in April. Mr. Disher sold four head of cattle for \$200. We have fourteen head yet. We butchered four pigs this week. We made over 100 lbs. of sausage. We have had a very mild winter so far. It has

Had some not been down to zero yet. nice sleighing for a few days. There was an abundance of all kinds of fruit in this district this year. First-class apples were sold for \$1.00 a barrel and the expense of picking, packing and hauling them to the station. We had 256 bushels oats, 114 bushels of wheat. Wheat was frozen out badly last winter. We sold an old pig that weighed 620 lbs. That is heavy enough. Now I want to ask a favour of you. The first of April my time is out with Mr. Disher, and I would like to go to Business College; but I have not got hardly enough money, and I would like to have the \$65.00 that is under your charge for me. I may be able to get along without it, and if I can I will. It looks like a scheme to get the money, but I don't intend to waste it, for I have saved \$65 out of \$85 and buy my clothes, so you see I am I have had some clothes given to me, so it makes it go better. I don't intend to draw the money, but let the Principal of the Business College collect it from you. With the \$25 out of the \$100 and this year's pay I have \$95, and intend to put \$15 more in the bank, so I have nearly enough, and if I can get along without the \$65 I will do it. This is all now, and hoping you are well and everyone else, as I am at present. Hoping to hear from you soon as possible, as the first of April will soon be here, from yours PERCIVAL F. MASON. respectfully,

Henry Peckitt has contributed a little account of himself and his experiences



CHARLES LARGE

in Canada that we have great pleasure in reproducing. We hear through Mr. Jones, who lately visited Harry, that his colt is likely to prove a profitable speculation. We remember Harry telling us with some pride, when we were talking with him on the voyage from England, that he could "lead horses." Most likely we shall have told him that we expected that he would have horses of his own to lead one of these days in Canada. If so, our

prediction has already come true in Harry's case as in that of so many others. He writes:

DEAR MR. OWEN,—I am going to write you a few lines. I came out to Canada in the year of 1905. I came to Portland, and then I took the train to Toronto, and then I came to Chantler to Mr. Roy Page. I served my six years with Mr. Page, and then I hired with him for a year, and I got \$100 for that year. Then I hired another year to Mr. Page for \$110, and now I have hired for another year for \$120, and I think I am getting along fine in Canada. I have

been with Mr. Page eight years and going on for nine years, and I can say if it had not been for the good Dr. Barnardo's work and kindness to me I would not have been where am. I think they have done a lot for me, and I thank them for bringing me out to Canada. I have a horse of my own, and it is black as coal, and Mr. Page is going to keep it for They are both kind to me. Mrs. Page and Mr. Page are good people. I milk three cows. We have eight horses and sixteen head of cattle, twenty-two hens and one pig. Please Mr. Owen, could you put this letter in the UPS AND DOWNS? I want you

to send me the UPS AND Downs another year, and will you take the money out of the bank to pay for them? I remain, one of your old Dr. Barnardo boys, HARRY PECKITT.

Frank Fuller, another of our 1905 boys, writes from Dorset, Muskoka:

DEAR SIR,—Well, I received your letter, and was very glad to hear from you. I am well, hoping you are the same. Well, I am back in the camp where I am in the winter, and making good money, and I think, if nothing goes wrong, I will be sending money to put in the bank, for

the job I have now will last till August, and then he wants me to go back in again for the winter. It is good pay. We are on the river now driving. We get from \$40 to \$50 a month, and in the bush they pay from \$35 to \$38 a month, so that is good wages, and it will last the year round. Well, this will be all. Good-bye. I remain, your friend, FRANK FULLER.

Clarence George Barnes has sent us an interesting report of his ups and downs in Manitoba, where he is located at Greenway. He was earning \$10.00 a month during the winter, but had been making \$40.00 during the fall. He tells us he "likes the country fine only for the cold."

The very earliest impressions of our last and latest arrivals are always interesting to read, and we reproduce the contents of a few of the post cards that came in after the distribution of the last party:

April 14th.

Dear Sir,—I have arrived quite safely at my destination. The look of the country about here is very nice indeed. I am quite satisfied with my employer, and I know now that I am taking a great step into life and must work pretty hard to earn my own living. I think this is all. I remain, yours faithfully,

Alfred Tait.

DEAR SIR,—I arrived at my place quite safe. I enjoyed my ride, and I have got a very nice farm and also a cosy home to live in. Give my love to Mr. Loftin, and I wish you the best of luck. With wishes from RICHARD PURDY.

RAMSAYVILLE, ONT.

DEAR SIR,—Just a few lines to return thanks for finding me this nice place. I am very well satisfied. I could not have been sent to a better place. Now I must close, with best regards. Your sincere friend, WALTER THEOBALD.

DEAR SIR,—I have now landed in my new country safe. I like my master. I get good food. I am not very glad that I have left you; but I do as Mr. Baker told me to do—that is, to say my prayers every night and morning. I am going to try my best to save all my money up, and going to try and get another boy to come across. I go out with Mr. Prior to feed the cattle. We have got thirteen little pigs and one has died. From your loving friend,

HORACE CLAYTON.

DEAR SIR,—I hope you are quite well. I have a good home where I am living. I am glad I came to Canada, because I get a better living. Good-bye, from Charles H. Carter.

DEAR SIR,—Just a few lines to let you know that I arrived safe. I am settled down all right and am in the best of health, and I hope you are enjoying health yourself after the rough voyage. From your loving Home boy,

C. HOWLETT.
P.S.—Dear Sir,—I like my place very much.

DEAR MR. OWEN,—I reached the home quite safe in the evening about seven o'clock. The people are kind to me. I have good food here. I have got a boy who is very kind to me. I think this is all I have to say this time. I will now close my letter. Love to you from,

WM. Brown.

DEAR SIR,—I arrived at my place quite safely on Wednesday afternoon about four o'clock. I am at a very good place and I like being here very much, as everybody is very kind to me. I think farm work is a fine job for me, as I like it. I have not much to say, as there is not room. I am, one of the Home boys,

HERBERT VYSE.

DEAR SIR,—I landed safely at my place on Tuesday night. I think the place will do me lovely. I seem to like it all right.

GEORGE CANFIELD.

DEAR MR. OWEN,—Just a line or two to let you know that I have got to my place in safety, and I think the job will suit me. We all had a good night's rest at Montreal, and it was the best that I ever had. We had plenty of food to eat, and I left by one o'clock, and got here at 6.30, so I had a long ride. I must draw to a close and say good-bye. From GEORGE WALLACE.

DEAR SIR,—Just a few lines to tell you I am getting on all right. I like the farm very much. I can now do some of the chores. I think this is a good country to live in. I remain, one of the boys,

THOMAS CLARKSON.

DEAR SIR,—I am writing to let you know that I am quite satisfied with my new home. I find that I have come to a good country and very good people to deal with. Yours affectionately, CHARLES HENRY BROWN.

DEAR SIR,—I hope you are quite all right, for I am. I arrived safe at my place. Please tell Mr. Loftin that I arrived safe and that I am going to school in the winter. I am going to Sunday school. I am going now to just learn to milk cows, so I must close my letter with my best love to all.

JOHN CHIDDLE.

DEAR SIR,—I am writing these few lines to let you know that I have arrived safely at my destination at Westport. We have lots of maple syrup and sugar here. I think that Westport (as much as I have seen) is a very nice place. I am living on a big farm with plenty of cattle and chickens. We get anything from fifteen to two dozen eggs every day. I remain, yours truly,

G. A. LANE.

DEAR SIR,—I have arrived safely at the farm, which surprised me. I am very thankful to have fallen into the hands of a good man and lady. I have just been driving home the cattle and had tea. I hope I will get on and be a good boy, as I am trying to be. We did not have a very safe journey leaving Toronto, because some bushes caught fire and we had to rush through them.

ALLAN PRITCHARD, Hastings, Ont.

DEAR SIR,—Just a few lines to let you know I have arrived safe. Mr. Cole was at the station waiting for me. I think you have been very kind to me and all other children during the voyage, and I think you put me in a good place. There is another boy named W. Stubbington living close to me. I must close, as this is all. I remain, yours truly, G. WATKINS.

Dear Sir,—I am writing to you to tell you that I arrived safe at my situation. The town of Udney is a nice one. As we were travelling an old boy came up to us and gave us some hints. He came out with you seventeen years ago. I have been at my situation one week. Now I must close, from one of the new Canadians,

A KOLZ

Dear Sir,—I am just writing you a few lines, hoping you are quite well. I am staying at Forestville Farm. I reached the end of my journey quite well. I have good friends and a good farm to live on. But I haven't got my box yet. Now I must close this letter. From Leslie Huggett.

DEAR MR. OWEN,—I am just writing you a line to let you know that I got home all right and I enjoyed my journey very much. I hope you are all right. I think that I like Canada very much. This is all I have to say at present. I remain one of your boys,

SIDNEY CARTER.

DEAR SIR,—Just a few lines to tell you how I arrived at Orono. My train started at 9.30 a.m. As soon as I arrived at Orono Mr. Wannan had his carriage ready. We drove up to a stable and we stopped there for a little while while Mr. Wannan bought me some sweets and afterwards gave me five cents. This is all I have to say, so will close with love to Mr. Owen. From Sidney Albert Bond.

Mr. Peter Chipps, of Courtland, in settling up for Sidney Foster on the first of April, writes of Sidney as follows:

DEAR SIR,—As Sidney Foster's term of five years is to expire with us on the 1st April, we would like to say that we have found him to be an extra good boy. We have always found him upright and honest in everything, not easily coaxed or led away by any person. Always wanting to do what would be right and for his own and our benefit. Every person who knows him has a good word for him. He is going to stay another year with us. We are to find his clothes and spending money and put \$60.00 in the bank for him. This was his own offer. Sidney told us that he had promised \$3.00 to the Home when his wages became due. We will send \$78.00 to you, so as to leave the \$75.00 to be deposited for himself. Yours truly, MR. AND MRS. PETER CHIPPS.

It gives us great pleasure to reproduce the report handed in by Mr. Copping after his visit to Frederick Leslie in January last. Mr. Copping writes:



MR. AND MRS. FRANCIS W. BROWN

In view of Frederick's age (23), I had not proposed to call upon him. Hearing him, however, praised in the surrounding country, I visited this fine young fellow, and found him in receipt of \$200 per annum, with several hundred dollars in the bank, a teetotaler and non-smoker, thoroughly contented with his lot and winning enthusiastic praise from members of the family with whom he resides. A leading characteristic of this young agriculturist is the gratitude he feels towards the Institution that has cared for him; and he incidentally mentioned that he has insured his life for \$1,000, and on the policy has indicated that the money is to be paid to Dr. Barnardo's Homes.

Among our illustrations will be found the portrait of Francis W. Brown and his wife. This portrait was brought in by Mr. Jones, who called upon Mr. and Mrs. Brown a few weeks ago. Mr. Jones tells us:

This young man is in robust health and prospering. He was married to a Scotch girl, Miss Stewart, on 5th of August last, at the Methodist Parsonage in Woodstock, Ont. The young couple took up house in the city, but finding this not to their liking, Francis hired with a farmer and Mrs. Brown acts as help in the house. Mr. and Mrs. Gee agree that they have been fortunate in gaining the services of Francis and his young wife, and gave me an excellent character of both. Mrs. Brown handed me one of their photographs, and I am sure she and her husband would be much pleased to see their picture in Ups and Downs. Frank had quite a little sum of money saved and there is something being added from time to time.

Percy Mapp sends us with his photograph a long letter, from which we have made the following extracts:

MAPLE LANE, ONT., Feb. 3rd. DEAR MR. OWEN,—This is the first time I have written a letter to you to let you know how I am getting along. I guess I will start from the first. I came out to this country about six years ago. A long time ago, is it not? I was just a little greenhorn then, but I have got a little better now. Well, I came to Toronto on the Sunday morning, and when we got to Farley Avenue you would not know us from niggers. The first thing we all did was to have a good wash. On Monday morning, myself and a lot more boys went to our different places. Thomas Peterson and myself went to Holstein, and I came to a place eight miles from Holstein, where I have been ever since. I was just here a month

when Mr. Aitken sent me away with the team and wagon load of mason's tools to a place about ten miles from our place. That was the first time I was on the road, and I found the place all right. That fall I ploughed all fall with a riding plough, and in the spring I worked four horses on a big cultivator, and do all the cultivating, and three horses on the disk and three on the harrows, and sometimes four, and Mr. Aitkin does the sowing; sometimes I do it. Well, I am getting along pretty good now. I can do almost anything on the farm. I do all the ploughing with the walking-plough, except this fall I did not do anything because I had my leg broken, but I am able to do my work all right now. Mr. Aitkin is moving to a farm in Holstein on the first of March, and I have hired till the first of September, and then I am going to Mount Forest Business College for six months, if I am spared. I am going to try bookkeeping. Do you think you would advise me to do it? I want a better education. Well, Mr. Owen, I am sending you one of my photographs. I hope you will like it. I would think a lot of your photograph if you would let me have one. I think I have told you enough for this time, because if I say any more you will be getting tired of my letter. From one of your old boys, PERCY T. MAPP.

P.S.—I am sorry I am not able to send money this year, but when I get into a good position I will make up for what I have lost.

Charles Burkett, the subject of another of our illustrations, has written us a nice little letter that we are pleased to publish:

ASPDIN, April 21, 1913.

DEAR MR. OWEN,—I am sending you my photo and a few lines to tell you how I am getting along. I am going to school. I have only missed one day at Sunday school this year. I am promoted to the Junior Third. Mrs. Lalor is very kind to me. The snow is all gone here now. I have a good home. I am always happy. I must thank you for all your kindness to me. I hope to see my picture in the UPS AND DOWNS. I think I will close. I remain with love, one of your boys,

CHARLIE BURKETT.

The two youngsters, Edward Feltham and Horace Greaves, who appear on horse-back, are boys of whom we can say nothing but what is good. Mrs. Campbell, of Midland, the foster-mother of Edward, writes that he is an honest, trustworthy little fellow and as happy as can be. Horace writes of himself:

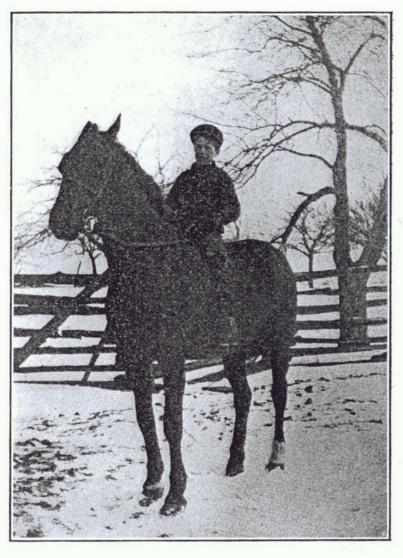


DEAR MR. OWEN,—I am getting along all right. I like going to school. I am 4 feet 8½ inches high, weigh 76 lbs., have grown I inch and gained 4 lbs. since I came here. I have a sheep which Mr. Cunningham gave me. I gave a recitation at our school box social. I bought a little girl's box. It cost me ten cents, and it was a good one. I am sending my picture, which I got taken on our driver.

HORACE GREAVES.

A snapshot of two of our little boarders, George Turner and Charles Frederick Mankell, shows them in their every-day get-up. They are both happy, thriving little boys. We can say the same for the other little pair, Albert Tuff and Frederick W. Hansford, whose picture appears on another page and whose appearance is a credit to their foster-parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Lockhart, of Whitfield.

In connection with the highly successful visit of Mr. Mayers and the musical party to Staffa, we have learned that our friend, Henry G. Webber, is local correspondent for the newspapers at Seaforth and Mitchell. We doubt not that in this capacity Henry spared no effort



HORACE GREAVES



EDDIE FELTHAM

to have Mr. Mayers' meetings brought well before the notice of the public, and the welcome the party received at Staffa was, we are sure, one of the most pleasant and memorable incidents of their trip.

We have quite an active local agent at Brinston in the person of William

Thwaites, who holds a position in the general store of Mr. Jackson. We certainly could not wish to be better represented. We hear that William now receives a salary of \$365 a year with full board and lodging—not bad for a young

fellow of twenty-one.

We lately had news of another of our young men who are making their way in mercantile life, Joseph Charles Waller. Charlie is in the employ of Messrs. W. A. Caswell & Co., Limited, General Merchants and Bankers, Qu'Appelle, Sask., having been for the past five years with Mr. and Mrs. Caswell, during which time they have given him a good education. Mr. Caswell writes Mr. Struthers:

Charlie started in on Monday morning last to learn the mercantile business, his first position being with our Hardware Store, located at Ou'Appelle, and it being our intention to advance him, as well as move him around between our different stores, as fast as his knowledge will warrant. His salary to commence with and for the first three months is to be \$25.00 per month, and \$30.00 commencing with the first of the fourth month, after which, of course, it will depend on the progress and success which he makes at his vocation. He seems quite pleased with the idea of starting work for himself, and in fact, has been looking forward to this time for a long while, and Mrs. Caswell and myself are very anxious that he should make a success as well as take full advantage of his opportunities. I will be glad to advise you from time to time of his welfare, and should anything arise to make it necessary to alter our plans as outlined above, will advise you at once.

Our young friend, George J. Millard, sends his photograph with a long letter, recounting some of his experiences in the West, from which we make the following extracts:

CLAIR, SASK., Feb. 8, 1913.

My Dear Mr. Owen,—I now take time and pleasure in writing these few lines to you to let you know how I am making out in the Canadian West. Well, I came out here from Brunell, Muskoka, Ont., on April 24th, 1897, and located at Lorlie, Sask., about 315 miles west of Winnipeg. I have been out here in this country nearly sixteen years. I got to my first home on April 24th, 1897, that was at Mr. John Stilborn's. I stayed there six years and three months, and

finished my apprenticeship and received my reward—the silver medal from our dear friend, Dr. Barnardo. I have been sorry since that I left Mr. Stilborn. No boy could get a better home than that; but I left, and I am sorry for it. I think that the best place for a young man is on the farm. Well, Mr. Owen, I am doing very well now up here, but I am not on the farm. I am working for the Canadian Northern Railway Company. I am boarding myself, and find out it is ever so much better and cheaper. I make \$2.00 a day and board myself out at that. I can board myself for about \$10.00 a month, so you see that is not bad. Well, Mr. Owen, I have taken another homestead up here, and have got a house on it, but not quite finished. I have also bought a city lot in Saskatoon, and will soon have it paid for, so you see I am not doing so very bad considering the sickness I had the past few years; but I am feeling fine now, and hope to remain so. I am going on my homestead on the first of May, and stay till harvest begins, then get out for a couple of months and work and put next winter in on the homestead. Well, Mr. Owen, I like the West fine, and I find I made no mistake when I came out here, although I have had some hard times of it. It is the right place for any young fellow who has learnt his business and understands what work means. But don't let your imagination run away with you; don't come out here with the idea that the West is a gold mine or something where the money is scattered all over and all you have to do is to come out here and pick it up and put it in your pocket. Remember, to get a good job and wages on a farm you have to be efficient in regard to handling and caring for horses and stock, as this is one of the most important principles with regard to farming in the West. I will send a donation to the Homes. Well, I think I will close with kindest regards and best wishes for a prosperous year to all connected with the good work. I remain, your loving and obedient servant,

Our hearty congratulations to our friend, Henry Brooker, upon all that he tells us of himself in the following letter, which came to hand while we were on the Atlantic with our last party of future colonists:

Brownsville, March 20, 1913.

GEORGE J. MILLARD.

DEAR SIR,—Hoping this letter will find you quite well, as I am fine. I suppose you will be soon crossing the Atlantic again. You must know the Atlantic as well as we know our way about the farm. Well, I am back on the farm again, thank goodness. There

is nothing like it, is there? No doubt on looking through your December last memorandum, you will see where I was going braking on the Grand Trunk Railway; but sorry to say I did not fancy the job, so I came home to Tillsonburg and started to look around for a job. I got one on Monday and moved on to the farm Tuesday, so you see I was pretty anxious to get back to the farm. I hired to Mr. Spence Elliott, Brownsville, for \$450 a year, free house rent, free fuel and a quart of milk a day. He seems like a very nice man, and I think I will like him fine. We are getting up a buzz pile now just. I tell you, boys, there is no place like the farm. Who is the Visitor for Oxford County, Mr. Owen? Tell him to come and



THOMAS WALSH

make me a visit when he is making his rounds, and if he happens along about meal-time, drop in and see what kind of a cook a Barnardo girl is. My wife is a Barnardo girl, and also if we are Dr. Barnardo's children he must be grandfather now. We have a little baby girl. She is two months old now. We call her Bessie May Frances. Well, I must close, as it is getting late. Hoping God's richest blessing may rest on you all. From an old boy, H. BROOKER.

The last report of Thomas Walsh, whose photograph we have much pleasure in publishing, is to the effect that his em-

ployer, Mr. Joseph Squire, "could not have a better boy." Thomas himself writes:

WODEHOUSE, March 17th, 1913. DEAR MR. OWEN,—I thought I would write you a letter to let you know how I am getting along. I like Canada fine. It is four years now since you brought me to Canada. I was very fortunate in getting such a nice home with Mr. and Mrs. Squire. I am going to school and am in the Senior Fourth. We have plenty of chores to do, as we have eight horses, twenty-two head of cattle, nineteen pigs and twenty-five sheep, also turkeys, geese and hens. We have had a big thaw and the snow is about all gone. I received my copy of UPS AND Downs for January, and was very pleased with it. Enclosed you will find a photo of myself. Will close now, thanking you for all you have done for me. Yours sincerely, WILLIAM THOMAS WALSH.

Frank Butland, whose picture appears with his sister, Annie, is one of those who recently fulfilled their apprenticeships and are now paddling their own canoe. Fred has made a good name for himself and we expect before long to have the pleasure of awarding him a silver medal for good conduct and faithful service.

We desire to offer our heart-felt good wishes and God-speed to William George Flowerday, who is about to commence his studies for the ministry. His pastor, the Rev. Wray F. Davidson, of Wellandport, writes:

I believe that he will be able to pursue his course and that he will make good. He has a long and a difficult row to hoe before he completes his preparation, but I feel that he will do so successfully. I am advising and assisting him in every way that I can, and will continue to do so. I hope that he will have any assistance that you might be able to give.

William has already recorded his resolve to have a special collection in his church in aid of Dr. Barnardo's Homes.

Willie Savell has been disappointed at not seeing any of his letters in Ups AND Downs. My dear Willie, so have many others. We have a family of over 25,000, and if we were to publish all or a tenth part of the nice little letters that

we receive from day to day, we could keep a firm of printers employed, and when the time came for paying for Willie's board and all the other little Willies who are dependent upon us, there would be no money left. However, Willie is such a good little boy and we have always heard such favourable reports of him that we cannot find it in our hearts to disappoint him again, and here is his last letter:

RHINELAND, ONT., Feb. 26th.

DEAR SIR,—I was reading in my UPS AND
DOWNS the other night, and I thought I would
write to you when I got a little spare time. I
hope you are well, as I am. I received my UPS
AND DOWNS. I like them fine. I hope you will
keep on sending them to me. Why isn't my
name in? I have been trying to find it, but I
could not. I am trying to write a longer letter,
so it may be put in the UPS AND DOWNS. My
birthday is to-day, and I am twelve years old.
I think I shall soon be able to help myself a little,
thanking you for what you have helped me. I
am at school every day, and to church. We
are having a lovely winter. I like to do chores.
I feed the cows and horses and chickens. The
boss gave me a chicken for my own. He also
tells me if I stay with him till I am eighteen he
will give me a calf. I will close this letter, from
one of your troublesome boys, Willie Savell.

It affords us much pleasure to publish the photograph of our old friend, Charles Addicott, and in doing so to bear our testimony to his general worth and good character. Charlie visited his friends in England last year, but, like most others, has found that Canada is the best place.

The subject of another of our illustrations, Cornelius Edward Stevens, recently wrote as follows:

Burgessville, Feb. 24, 1913.

Dear Sir,—I am now taking the pleasure of writing to you to tell you how I am getting along. Well, I have been here nearly three years, and I am getting along fine. I have been going to school all winter and making good progress, being in the Fourth Book. I suppose Mr. Jones told you how I have grown. Now, I get up in the morning and do a few chores, then I have my breakfast and get ready for school. The distance I have to walk is about a mile. I also go to church and Sunday school. I like my place fine and Mr. Miller tries to learn me all he

can. I milk, plough, cultivate, harrow, harness a team and load hay and grain also several other chores. I have gained in strength since I came here, for when I first came to Mr. Miller's I could not carry a half a pail of water. Now I can carry most anything. I thank you very much for the kindness you have done for me. The farm work agrees with me and makes me grow rapidly. I receive the UPS AND DOWNS, and like to read the boys' and girls' letters. I gave Mr. Jones my photo so as to put it in this

letter. We have four horses, three cows, and several young cattle, also ten pigs. I hope you are quite well like myself. am fifteen past now, and the time seems to go very fast. There are several other English boys around here. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are quite kind to me. The farm is the place for boys who want to work. Now I must close, with love. Yours truly,

C. E. STEVENS.

The twin brothers, John and George Howard, are both good boys and, we are told, are



CORNELIUS E. STEVENS

well spoken of in the neighbour-hood. They are decidedly on the small side, but we think we may claim for them that they are amongst those good things that are done up in small parcels.

We cannot exactly apply the same remark to our friend, Edward Warby, who at sixteen tips the scales at 190 lbs. His sister, now Mrs. John Walker, who is with him in the photograph, is the fostermother of one of our little girls from

Peterborough. We had a visit in our office a short time ago from a lady who harangued to us upon the rate at which children should put on weight each month and each year. She desired to get a boy for a friend of hers, under whose care she was quite sure that he would increase at the regular and proper ratio, whereas she had doubts and misgivings as to his doing this in any other place to which we might send him. She was not a lady to be contradicted, especially as she informed us that she knew "all about the subject," which we were guite sure that we did not; but as we listened to the torrent of her eloquence we had in our mind's eye the photograph of our friend, Edward, and we wondered to ourselves if she would consider that he



JOHN AND GEORGE HOWARD



EDWARD WARBY AND HIS SISTER

was impoverished or should be growing faster or increasing more rapidly in weight. Not being anxious to prolong the interview, we did not, however, raise the question. We are pleased to say of Edward that the latest report of him, received a few weeks ago, describes him as "doing well, satisfactory in every particular, a good worker, highly spoken of by employer."

The description given by Mr. Kidner of our young friend, George Smythe, as "a stout, chunky boy, in the best of health," is quite borne out by the appearance he presents in his photograph. He showed Mr. Kidner a watch which was presented to him as a birthday present, of which he is evidently proud.



HENRY HILL

Our young friend, James Austin, is evidently on excellent terms with the infant offspring of his employer, Mr. Wesley Webster. James is said to be the handy man about the place and always willing and helpful, whether his work is indoors or out. We think he would tell us that he has a good home and is happy and contented.

Our friend, Bertie Cooper, whose portrait we reproduce with that of James Kettley, has temporarily deserted the flag of his native country and is hired for the season with a farmer living near Port Huron, Michigan. His wages are \$240.00 with board and lodging, a fact that bears testimony to Bertie's capability as a workman. James is spoken of as one of the best boys in the county as

well as one of the smartest scholars in the school. Both these boys are a credit to the training of Mrs. W. J. Bunning, of Sarnia, who has had our boys under her care for so many years past.

Joe Brady, who sent us his photograph as a Christmas card, is one of our good boys, and as such we are pleased to give him a place in our portrait gallery. In a cutting from the local paper we observe that at the end of last term he was promoted with honours to a higher form.

We have to congratulate our friend, Ernest Ray, on having lately brought out his younger brother from England and found a place for him in the same neighbourhood as himself. From what we saw of Master Ray, junior, during the voyage from England, we feel convinced that he will show himself deserving of his brother's help and the start that has been given him in the new country.

Charles Ellson is, we are sure, fully worthy of the publication of his portrait. We hear everything that is good of him both at home and at school. He is fortunate in his home, where he is under the care of good Christian people.

Joseph Edwin Macey accompanied his photograph with a letter, in which he gives a cheerful report of himself. Joe has been paddling his own canoe for the past year, and is one of those whom we may regard as well started in the country.

Albert George King has just been visited by Mr. Jones, who reports of Albert that he is now his employer's best help. He is practically running the farm and seems to take full responsibility.

Last but not least amongst our illustrations appears the photograph of our young friend, Henry Hill, with the children of his employer, Mr. Jas. M. Warren, of Balderson. We could say a great many nice things of Henry, and he is a boy to whose future we look forward with every hope and confidence.

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OUR GIRLS

OW the months roll by! It is again time for our magazine to make its appearance, and we know from daily letters that our readers are anxiously waiting for it, so here we are.

Those newcomers who arrived on the 1st of April, and who are at the present moment doing their best to become accustomed to things Canadian, are, we hope, going to succeed. We believe one and all are doing what they can toward this end. They shall not be asked, "Are you doing great things?" but "Are you doing what you can; are you doing your best?"

The great evils in life come from small things which are thought of too little importance to be attended to, and the great results and advantages from attending to small things. "Trifles make

perfection, and perfection is no trifle." Little things lead up to great ones. So, girls, look well after the little things, step bravely out in your new career in this country, do not look backward but go steadily forward and do your best.

"Dwell in thought upon the Grandest, And the Grandest you shall see; Fix your mind upon the Highest, And the Highest you shall be."

The mail bag is, as usual, very heavy, but the letters are interesting and good reading.

Gladys E. Earle has been in this country for nearly five years, and in her present home since the fall of 1910. She is indeed a fortunate girl in receiving a splendid education and teaching and training in all branches of domestic work. She ought to make her mark in the world.

MOUNT ALBERT, ONT. DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I have received the UPS AND DOWNS, and enjoyed reading the letters, especially the boys', and I often wish, when I am reading them, that my brother could come out next summer and do well as most of the boys are doing in the North-West. Well, Miss Kennedy, Mrs. Jones is very good to me, and has been ever since I came here. She has bought me a lovely blue aviation cap and a mink marmot fur. Her daughter, too, is also kind to me, and has given me a present. Lady Buckwell, in England, sent me a lovely book with a burnt leather cover, and I received from my brother in Portsmouth, England, some lovely gifts. Mrs. Jones is sending me to High School, where I am taking up arithmetic, algebra, science, physics, geometry, bookkeeping, history, writing, reading, composition, literature "Merchant of Venice" and the "Lady of the Lake," art, Latin and French. We have examinations every month. The first month I do not remember where I came, the second month I came seventh of a class of seventeen, and last month I came fifth; so you see I am not getting along too badly. I have a lovely home here; if I tried all over the world I could not get a better one. I am learning to bake and sew and do all kinds of housework. I must say I am thankful to the Homes for what they have done for me in bringing me from the famine (England) to a feast (Canada). I must close now, hoping to see this letter in the next edition of UPS AND DOWNS, so that the other

Nellie Wilkinson has just been a little over six months in Canada, and we are proud to think she has done so well in that short time. She appreciates her good, wholesome surroundings and speaks lovingly of her mistress.

girls may see that I have an excellent home.

Yours truly, one of your girls, GLADYS EARLE.

Dear Miss Kennedy,—I thank you so much for sending me to such a good home. I have such a kind mistress, and she tries to learn me to be good and pure. She is a good Christian. I go to Sunday school and church regularly. I hope you are quite well and enjoying the weather as I am. I am sorry I have not written to you before this. If you can send me the address of my two brothers I would be very pleased. I wrote on the Review at Sunday school and got a certificate and two silver seals. I had ninety marks out of the hundred. The Rector at Stockport sent me a letter last evening, also a little book, called "Christian Battle." I will write you again soon. I suppose you will be getting ready for the next party. If you think this

letter is all right, will you put it in UPS AND DOWNS? With lots of love, I remain, yours sincerely, Nellie Wilkinson.

Emily S. Sells is one of our very nice girls. She has been a long time in the country (nearly seven years). During that period she has won for herself the love and respect of her various mistresses. Trustworthy, faithful service brings its own reward, and Emily deserves, and is worthy of, mention in these pages.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I received your welcome letter and my bank book, and thank you very much for them. I think my place must agree with me, for I have gained five pounds since I have come here. I have another girl living just a little distance from me. Her name is Ada Cross, and I see her at Sunday school every Sunday. I was sorry you were away when I was at the Home. I was looking forward to seeing you, but I hope you enjoyed your holiday, and had a good rest. Please give my love to all the ladies and the girls, and with lots to yourself. From one of your girls,

P.S.—As I have not had a letter in Ups and Downs yet, if this one is all right, I would like to see it in.

It is encouraging to receive good accounts of our recent arrivals. Nellie F. Gibbs is one of the girls of the October party, and her mistress writes thus:

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—Nellie is getting along real well, and I find her a great help to me. She is truthful and obedient, and has, I think, the material for a very fine woman. She never goes out but one night a week, and then she goes to League. She attends Sunday school regularly, and takes a great interest in the lessons.

MRS. B. GROSSKURTH.

Alice M. Hill, a little girl of eleven who came out in October, 1911, is particularly bright and intelligent. Mrs. Reazin, who called to see Alice in the beginning of the year, tells us that Mrs. Ranson quite looks upon this little girl as a daughter and treats her as such. Alice is not spoiled by kindness. She is a good, well-behaved girl, and doing excellent work at school, gains first prize every month, and took great pleasure in

showing her various prizes to Mrs. She is now in the Second Book, and is looking forward to further promotion at the midsummer examinations.

Dora Mills has just been visited by Miss Sillars, and we are sure her many friends will be pleased to hear of her welfare. Dora has nearly completed her sixth year in her present home, in which she is kindly treated. Dora has been attending school regularly, but hopes to finish her term at midsummer. She is an exceptionally bright, intelligent young woman, and Mrs. Skinner is much attached to her. She has not yet decided to what advantage she will put her education, but she will in all likelihood enter the nursing profession. Florence Nightingale's call to good women is answered by many of our girls, and those of them who train as nurses do good work. We will let Dora speak for herself:

LONDON.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I hope that you and all the other people in the Home are well. I had a bad cold, which made me quite ill, so that I was not able to go to school for some days. We have now moved to another part of the city, and are very comfortable in our new home. It is nearer for us both to church and day school. I am sending my bank book to have the interest added. Now I will tell you how I spent a little holiday I had recently. We left on the morning train for Kalamazoo, Mich. It is the first time I have been in the United States, so the trip was a great pleasure to me. We were on the train all day (that is Auntie and I). I had a most glorious time at Kalamazoo, but not the best time of my life, because one summer I spent out at the Beach, where I had just as good a time. My friends have been very kind in remembering me with many beautiful gifts, and one of the best and nicest things I received was a beautiful black wolf muff. I have various compositions to write this year, and the one I have to write on now is the Navy question. I saw Rosie (my sister), and she gave me a nice collar, and Edith M. Baker (a friend of mine) gave me a nice Well, I think this is all I have to say. I remain, yours sincerely, DORA MILLS.

This bright happy letter comes from Lily Galliver. Lily herself paid us a little visit a few days ago. She is greatly improved in appearance, and tells us she is trying to improve in every other respect. Her home in now situated a few miles out of Peterborough, and we hope she will come in and see us quite often.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I hope you are quite well. I think it is time for me to thank you for getting me such a nice home. I am well pleased with it and quite happy. I tried my examinations before the Easter holidays, and am very anxious for school to start and to hear whether I have passed or not. We just had a test to see if we could try the entrance in the summer. Now the only thing that I can help you or the Home is by being a good girl and keeping my place. I hope I may keep my place for many years to come. Give my love to the ladies of the Home, including Miss Taylor and Miss Carter, and my best love to yourself. I am, yours truly, LILY GALLIVER.

A grateful, happy little girl is Elsie E. Pocock. She is intelligent above the average and much attached to her home and her mistress.

GORMLEY.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—You will have to excuse me for not writing before. I am quite well, and have been kept busy writing letters to my friends. I go to school regularly, and got the highest marks in the school, and expect to be put in the Fourth Book after holidays. Well, I thank you for putting me in a good home. Winter is over, but I know you will be interested in hearing that I have learned to skate. I can play the National Anthem and several pieces on the organ. We all went to an oyster supper one evening, and had a very good time. I am very fond of the children, and the little boys are cute, and specially Stewart, the youngest one; he is a dear little fellow. Mrs. Bell sent for a blue serge dress and hair ribbon for me. I go to church and Sunday school regularly; I have only missed two Sundays this year. My health is improving and I feel better and stronger. Well, I think I have said all for this time. I remain, yours lovingly, ELSIE POCOCK.

Mrs. A. J. Baker, Whitby, takes great pride and interest in teaching and training Nellie Gough and Phyllis Baker, and is pleased to think her efforts are producing good results. The children are exceedingly happy and have every home comfort.



EDITH M. AYRES

DEAR MISS KENNEDY, -Received cheque this evening, with thanks. Nellie is at the present time singing, and her face blooming like a red rose. It certainly agrees with her here. She is improving in strength, but cannot walk very fast. I am hopeful that she will outgrow her weakness. Phyllis has grown to be such a big girl. She has nothing to do only study and go to school. She is going to the Model, and has lots of home-work, and is certainly getting a good educa-tion, and should be grateful to you in the future. The girls join in sending their love, and will write you soon. Mrs. A. J. Baker.

Brida Heywood is also doing well, and has gained the good opinion of Mrs. Herrington, in whose home she has only been for a short time. We predict a bright, successful future for Brida. We think she has sufficient ambition to strive not to disappoint us.

ORLAND.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—
Perhaps you think I have been neglectful in not writing you before regarding Brida, but circumstances prevented me from so doing. Brida has, so far, proved herself to be a good girl. No one person in this world is perfect. She has only one fault, and that is she seems a little too quick, and hopes to be able to accomplish wonders, if at all possible.

I mean to use her as my own, and feel sure we will get along well together.

Mrs. Reazin, who visited Hilda Brown recently, returned with a very satisfactory account, one which will give pleasure to her friends both here and in England. Hilda is, of course, just at the outset of her new life in this country, but we are confident that she is capable of doing things that will bring her credit and success.

PORT ROWAN.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—You must forgive me for not replying before, but I hope to write to you often now. First of all I must thank you so much for putting me in such a nice home. I could not wish for a better. The kind and welcome letter which I received from you this morning seems to brighten me up. Well, I must tell you that I like this place. It is very healthy, and I enjoy the weather and hope to do well. Dear Miss Kennedy, I have seen my brother. I did not really know him, he has grown so much since coming to Canada. I would advise all girls and boys to come to Canada; it is such a healthy country, and also a place in which to get on in the world. Thank you so much for sending me Mary's address. I go to Sunday school regularly and sometimes to church in the evenings with my mistress. When I first came here I could button my dresses up easily, but now I am geting so fat that I cannot get them buttoned, so my mistress is helping me to alter them. It is very kind of her, but I am trying to do my share. Give my kind regards to all the members of the Home. Now I must close. I remain, yours truly, HILDA BROWN.

Fanny Gilliame, who lives with Mrs Hutcheson, Huntsville, is now, she thinks, proof against the winter. She greatly rejoices in the possession of a set of Persian lamb furs and fur hat and coat. We rejoice with her, and are glad to think she is so omfortably provided for, as the winters in the "Highlands of Ontario" are by no means mild. Fanny has been nine years in the country, is quite acclimatized and thoroughly Canadian in all her ways. She is greatly improved in health, and keeps bright and cheery. The way in which she expresses herself toward the Homes and her friends for her many blessings is one of heart-felt

gratitude. We hope Fanny will keep well and continue to do well.

Here is a sweet little letter from Ada Townsend. She is living with Mrs. Levi Smith, Utopia, and, judging from what she says, we think the place is to Ada a real Utopia.

Dear Miss Kennedy,—I must write to you and tell you that I am so happy and contented in my home. I have all the nice food that I can eat, and the people are kind to me. Even when I was sailing across the ocean I never expected to be sent to such kind people. I thank you very sincerely, and also thank you for sending me Ups and Downs, which I take pleasure in reading. It is nice to think that other little girls as well as myself are confortable and happy. Will you put this letter in Ups and Downs, please? Now I must close. From one of your girls,

Ada Townsend.

Margaret Michenson has just moved from Warsaw to Norwood, with Mrs. Robert Tedford. This is what she thinks of her home and surroundings:

Dear Miss Kennedy,—I received your letter with great pleasure. I like Norwood very much, and I am very happy with Mr. and Mrs. Tedford, and think that I ought to be a very good girl for having such kind friends. They are just like a father and mother to me. We are having a rest now the house-cleaning is over. We only keep one cow, and use the cream, and just a few hens to keep us in nice fresh eggs. I go to Sunday school in the afternoon with Edith, and to church in the morning. Marion Lund and Vera McGill are in my class, and I think they are very nice little girls. I have told you all this time, so now will say good bye, with love.

Maggie Michenson.

Mrs. Tedford speaks of Margaret as "a dear little girl, who seems happy and contented, and is fortunate in having a kind, sweet disposition. She is getting along splendidly and improving in her work every day, and we are pleased to have her in our home."

The brightness and intelligence which so many of our girls give evidence of in memorizing Scripture and essay-writing is both creditable to themselves and to their teachers. Ethel Trotter has quite distinguished herself as an essayist, and was awarded first prize in the Missionary Essay Contest connected with Knox Church Sabbath School, Beaverton. She wrote a splendid essay on the book entitled "The Black-Bearded Barbarian." The essay, which comprises twelve sheets foolscap, is too long to publish, but is certainly well written and carefully and thoughtfully done indeed. We hope Ethel will continue to exercise her talent, and perhaps at some future time she may be able to write something for Ups and Downs.

Jennie Langley, who writes in a hurry, tells us she is doing nicely at school, and has just received a report. Her conduct is excellent and she has gained a high percentage of marks in literature, spelling and arithmetic. Well done, Jennie!

A merry, light-hearted girl is Nellie L. Mitchell. She came to Canada in October, 1911, and is still in the same home in which she was placed on arrival. Miss Visick tells us that Nellie is willing and obedient and quite a useful little helper. Nellie herself assures us that she is well and happy, and has developed in every way since coming to this country a year and a half ago. Nellie was a chum of Kathleen Halled when in the village at Ilford. The friendship is still kept up by regular correspondence. She shows a grateful spirit, and we are looking forward hopefully to her future.

Mrs. Albert Chute speaks lovingly of Doris Webster, who is a dear little girlie

of ten years.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—Doris is well and growing. She seems to be doing well at school and takes great interest in her work. We think more of her the longer she is with us. It seems to be a case of love on both sides. I do not believe we can ever let her go away from us. Yours sincerely,

MRS. CHUTE.

Mrs. D. W. Wannamaker has nothing but good to say of Marion Lund and Victoria Magill, and the girls themselves are happy and comfortable and speak lovingly of Mrs. Wannamaker, and grateful for their nice home. WESTWOOD.

Dear Miss Kennedy,—I write you few lines regarding Victoria Magill and Marion Lund. Both girls are well and going to school every day. Marion received third prize for a bouquet of flowers of any variety at the Rural School Fair held at Norwood. It is a beautiful satin ribbon, and she feels quite proud of it. I am taking good care of the girls, and I feel proud of them, and think as much of them as if they were my own, and am trying to make nice girls of them. So is their teacher. I am yours truly,

MRS. WANNAMAKER.

A very nice little girl is Florence Jenkins. She came out with the March party of 1911, and has made good use of her time and opportunities. Florence, on her arrival in this country, was not faultless; but we are pleased to say she is improving and doing her best to come up to our expectations. She is quite a book-worm and does good work at school. She has recently gone to a new home and is fitting in very happily and satisfactorily.

Dear Miss Kennedy,—I received your letter quite safe this afternoon. I was quite well when I reached here, and was pleased to read your letter. I read it three times over, and it is a nice letter and very true. I am now feeling as happy as can be. I like my place very much indeed. My mistress is very kind to me, and I like her very much. I never wrote to you before, and I would like you to put this letter in the Ups and Downs. I go to Sunday school in the morning and sometimes to the English Church in the afternoon. Then in the evening we all go to the Methodist Church. I go to school every day. I am going to write you a long letter some other time and tell you all about myself. I must close because I am getting tired. I remain one of your old girls,

Beatrice McKechnie, living with Mrs. Nelson Irwin, Warminister, is quite settled, this being the only home she has had for nearly five years. She is a good scholar, and hopes to pass the entrance examination in June. We have just sent her a nice little companion in the person of Olive G. Kelly, one of the little newcomers. She will have both the pleasure and privilege of showing Olive how some things are done in Canada. We are sure



her influence over Olive will be for everything that is good.

WARMINSTER.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I am well and hope you are enjoying the same blessing. I started to school this morning, and have just finished my home-work, which I have been two hours doing. I am in the Junior Fourth and getting along nicely. I am pleased to hear you are going to send another little girl; she will be company for me. If she is as well treated as I have been, I am sure she will be comfortable and happy. Mother has made me a large number of new clothes. I can say I have been very kindly treated since ever I came here. I will close for now and remain, yours truly,

BEATRICE McKechnie.

Mrs. Wm. Brown, Huntsville, is training and caring for two little girls, Agnes Milson and Ethel Gulliver. Both girls are about the same age, but Agnes has been in this country two years longer than Ethel, and perhaps on this account she feels that she has the advantage of Ethel. Both are keeping well and making good progress.

HUNTSVILLE.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—You will be pleased to hear that the girls received very nice prizes from the Sunday school. Agnes took the second prize and Ethel the third. I think that was very good for the time they have attended. Their Sunday school teacher says they are very good girls and very attentive at Sunday school.

Mrs. Wm. Brown.

The tone of Sarah E. Watson's letter denotes contentment. She has grown and developed considerably since coming to Canada three years ago, and if she does as well in the future as in the past we shall be proud of her.

BETHANY.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I hope you are quite well. I thought I would write a letter for Ups AND Downs to tell you and all my friends that I am very happy. I live on a farm of three hundred acres. I have a very nice bedroom to sleep in.; it is nicely papered and in one corner stands a bureau and a nice big looking glass, and a carpet. on the floor. I have got a nice new suit and I am proud of it. Thank you very much, Miss Kennedy, for the nice home you have found for me. My mistress is teaching me to bake. I can bake pies and quite a few kinds of cake, and I can eat them, too. I love reading UPS AND Downs, as I know so many of the girls, and would say that if you have any space and care for this letter, I should so like the girls to know how happy I am. I remain, yours truly, SARAH E. WATSON.

The friends of Maggie O'Bryan will, no doubt, be pleased to hear something of her. She is a dear little girlie, getting along nicely at school and loved by everybody. Mrs. Forrest Wallwin, Midhurst, writes:

Dear Miss Kennedy,—Just a line to let you know how Margaret is getting along. She is quite well and going to school regularly. She likes her teacher, and making good progress with her lessons. I must say she is a dear, kind little girl to us all, and very obedient and honest in everything. I do not think you could have selected a little girl to suit me any better than Margaret. Yours respectfully,

MRS. F. WALLWIN.

Florence C. M. and Dorothy A. M. White have not yet been quite two years in Canada, and the time has been well spent. Both have improved themselves in every way, and are spoken of as sweet, upright, Christian girls. Florence's let-

ter speaks for itself, and Mrs. Lloyd, who called to see her recently, assures us that Florence is happily and comfortably situated. She was confirmed recently, and her daily life and character testify that she is trying to serve Him Whom she has openly professed.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,-I am taking great pleasure in writing this letter, hoping you are quite well. I am very thankful for the home in which I am placed. I am getting along fine, have learned to wait on table and do many other useful things since I came here, and out of my monthly wage I have been able to save a nice little sum of money. I am going to add a few more dollars to my account this month. Canada is a nice place, but I do not forget my old home and the kind friends. My sister, Dorothy, is quite near me, and we have some good times together. She and I went to visit our brothers in December, and we had a very delightful time. Cecil is in Tillsonburg and Percy in Ostrander, about three miles apart. I attend Sunday school and church, and on the 10th inst. I received a lovely Bible for first prize at Sunday school. I am hoping to be confirmed in March, and am attending Confirmation class. I should like to see this letter in the next UPS AND DOWNS. Well, I think I have told you all for this time, so will close with kind regards. I remain, yours FLORENCE C. M. WHITE. very truly,

Maud Brine and Doris Priest are both in nice homes in Guelph. They are as friendly as girls can be, and on nice afternoons they each play the rôle of nursemaid and take their little charges out for a walk. Maud is grateful and well pleased with her lot, and speaks her gratitude in this way:

Dear Miss Kennedy,—I have lived in this beautiful country of Canada for over a year. I have spent the whole time very enjoyably, and thank you very much indeed for having placed me in such a lovely and comfortable home. My sister, Blanche, came down to Guelph to see me in June. We had a very happy day together, and Mrs. Barker said if they came next June I could go back with them to spend a little holiday, so I have sonething nice to look forward to, although it seems a long time until then. Still, the days go quickly. I have grown quite tall and got much heavier since I came out here. That shows the good care that has been taken of me. I go to church and Sunday school regularly. Everything looks lovely outside, and

the grass looks so green and fresh; the flowers, too, are lovely, and everything is just beautiful to make the world lovely. It is now time to close, but before I stop this letter I want to thank you again for having placed my sister and myself in such happy, comfortable homes. Trusting all the girls are well, I remain, one of Dr. Barnardo's girls,

MAUD BRINE.

We do appreciate an appreciative letter from a mistress. Mary A. Rix is in a nice, refined home in Toronto, and her mistress is taking a genuine interest in her. Mary is by no means perfect, but Mrs. Culbert speaks kindly of her even when alluding to her faults.

Dear Miss Kennedy,—You will be glad to know what a help and comfort Mary is to me. For several weeks she has been trying hard to do what is right and to please me; but last Sunday, in the quiet of the night, she gave herself to Jesus, and all this week she has given practical evidence that she really does belong to Jesus. She is happy and confident, and is lately proving a treasure to me. It is now some months since she came to us, and we have no desire to have anyone else in her place, as we are growing fond of her, and should miss her bright face in our home.

Mary is not an overly strong girl, and it is a great comfort to think she is receiving kind care and surrounded with Christian influences. We hope she will rise to her privileges.

We really must make some reference to Mildred Ames's letter. It is nearly one year since she came to Canada. She is a bright little sunbeam, and much thought of by Mr. and Mrs. Berwick, who think "she has the making of a fine-looking woman, and, with care, a good one; which is far more important." Mildred has a little friend and companion in Annie Burden, who came out with the April party, and is now perfectly happy and contented.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—Thank you for UPS AND DOWNS. I am quite well and happy, and I like my home very much. I love my mother and father and also my teacher, and I like going to school. I have been to Sunday school every Sunday, and never absent once. I got a prize for saying verses. Mother went to see the

Barnardo Boys, and she thought they were very clever. I think I had better close now. With love, from MILDRED D. AMES.

Mrs. Wm. Christie writes to inform us of Gertrude A. Ireson's success. She is getting along nicely both at home and at school, and obtained her Sunday school prize (a Bible and another book) for verses. She repeated 379 verses last year, which we consider is good for a girl of her age. Gertie is only nine years, and deserves much praise for doing so well. She is proud of her prize, and naturally so. We are proud of Gertie, and shall hope to hear further nice things of her by-and-by. Miss Eva Sillars reports that Mrs. Christie is much attached to this little girlie, and treats her as a daughter.

Jane Robson is the eldest of three sisters, and is a very good elder sister, too. Lizzie and Sarah are much attached to Jane, and are so pleased that her home is not far from them.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,-Thank you for your kind letter and also your kind words. made me so happy, and I hope God will bless you and give you strength to keep up the good work which Dr. Barnardo founded. Miss Sillers came to see me to-day. I was delighted to see her, and to let her know how happy and contented I am. Give her my love, please, Miss Kennedy. Do not be alarmed if I tell you that I have gained nineteen pounds since I came to live with Mrs. Sharp. Oh! she is so good to me and helps me such a lot. She is going to teach me some school work. I have been to see my sisters once. They are quite well and happy. Thank you, Miss Kennedy, for putting them both together, and for your kindness in putting me so close to them. I must thank you also for sending me UPS AND DOWNS. I am glad other girls are so happy. I think this is all this time. I remain, with best love, one of your happy girls. JANE ROBSON.

Dorothy Beech is exceedingly happy in her home with Mrs. Geo. H. Nixon, Georgetown. She is very fond of the dear little baby, and makes a splendid nurse. Mrs. Nixon is giving Dorothy a splendid training, and speaks of her as a pleasant, willing girl. Dorothy is still going to school, and assures us that she is making good progress with every subject.

Dorothy M. Angold's friends will be pleased to hear of her. She is with Mrs. W. Stinson, Janetville. She seems to be very bright and quick in falling into the ways of the household.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I feel I must thank you for the nice home which you have provided for me. I cannot milk yet, but I will very soon learn. I can fix the separator and separate. I have a little calf to feed. The children are all nice to me and it is a good home. I should very much like to have UPS AND DOWNS if possible. I remain, yours truly, DOROTHY M. ANGOLD.

Caroline Jones is delighted with her home and the kindness shown her.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I thank you for getting me a good place. I like it very much. I help my mistress all I can and do a lot of little jobs for her. She is so good to me. She bought me a nice piece of red ribbon for my hair, and last Saturday she bought me a book to write in. Now I think it was very kind of her to buy me that ribbon and book. We are house-cleaning now. I am going to school the 1st of May and will go regularly until the 1st of July, and then we will have holidays. I will write to you again, as I have no more this time. From your Home girl,

CAROLINE JONES

The letters from the April party girls speak for themselves. Dorothy Bragazzi and Alice Burden are both in the home of Canon Norman Tucker, London. Miss Sillars called to see the girls a few days ago, and tells us they are both delighted with their home and surroundings, which are everything that could be desired.

CATHEDRAL RECTORY, LONDON.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—You will probably think that my idea of a fortnight is a very queer one after keeping you waiting so long. Still it is better late than never. As I have nothing but good news to tell you I hope you won't mind. Well, to begin with, I have no doubt Miss Sillars told you that Alice and I have a good home. For my own part, I do not think I could have fallen in with better people in the whole of Canada. We have a charming bedroom with a dressing table, washstand, an ordinary table, wardrobe, a couple of chairs, and, last but not least, a nice easy chair. We have good, warm, comfortable beds and nice carpet on the floor.



We take it in turns going to church in the morning, and we both go to Sunday school and very often to church in the evening. We also attend the Girls' Friendly Society every Tuesday, and sometimes we go to church on Wednesday. We both go out together and have an afternoon off each week, and often Miss Matthews lets us go for a walk between times. My mistress is always very pleasant and kind; there is nothing that we are ever wanting that she is not ready to give us if it is good for us and if she has it. The family are very nice and warm-hearted, and I am managing all right with my work, except I have not yet learned the knack of our stove; but I dare say I'll learn by experience. Well, now I fancy I have told you pretty near all my affairs, so now close with my best love and warmest gratitude for having found me such a suitable situation, and hoping that you will spare

ANNIE MATTHEWS

ROSE E WRIGHT

a corner in UPS AND DOWNS for my letter. Believe me, one of your happy girls.

of your happy girls,
DOROTHY BRAGAZZI.
Little Mabel Tunnicliffe is in the same home as her brother, Herbert. Mrs. F.
Theaker, Lowbank, tells us that the children are

exceedingly happy.

Dear Miss Kennedy,—We received little Mabel safe and sound on Friday night, and it would have made you weep for joy to witness the joy of the little sister and brother. I tell you they are a happy couple now. She is a beautiful, pleasant little girl, and how we shall be able to keep from spoiling her I do not know; but she seems to be well balanced and full of commonsense for a child of her years. I must compliment you on the very neat and pretty manner in which you sent her out. We were quite proud of her, and while we live I do assure

you she will lack no manner of thing that is good and within our power to obtain for her. I will be a true mother to her; she seems like a girl I can love. I am, yours faithfully,

Mrs. Theaker.

How hopefully Rosina Pout writes, and how nicely she has settled down in her Canadian home!

MAPLES. DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I received your letter, and thank you very much for it. I am trying to be a brave girl and to do all my duties well. I shall get on well in my new home. It is so nice, and I am still happy and contented. I am glad you placed me here. There are two nice little girls in this home, and I look after a dear little baby girl, ten months old. I go to school and I am in the Senior Third class. I like going to school here, but not near so well as in England. It seems funny that they are not quite the same here. I go to church and Sunday school. I find it is a change from English Sunday school. I used to have to learn the Collect, Epistle and Gospel; but here the Sunday school is not so big, and our church was much bigger and higher than this one. It was called the Holy Cross Church of England. Give my love to all the ladies who took care of us while in the Home at Peterborough. With love to yourself, I remain, your loving friend, ROSINA POUT.

Canada is evidently the country for this little maiden, Ada A. Harding. She seems to think in some corner of the Dominion there is a ladder which reaches to the clouds. The only way, Ada, by which you can attain this height is by serving the Master and leading a good, pure, true life. We hope you will remember this in all your goings and comings.

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,-I am very pleased with my home, and I do not really think there can be another home so good as this. The people are the very best for anyone to be with, and I am very happy. I go to church and Sunday school, and am getting along nicely. I think if anyone wants to reach the sky, Canada is the place. I do not forget to read my Bible every day, and remember what you told me. Give my love to dear old England and the people who were so kind to me there. I must now draw my little bit of a scribble to an end. Hoping to remain one of your girls for a long time, I remain, yours ADA HARDING.

Elizabeth Millward is so anxious for her friends to know of her happiness and good home and surroundings. We can best make her good fortune known by publishing her letter:

DEAR MISS KENNEDY,—I am just writing a few lines to you to tell you that you have put me in a very nice home. I thank you very much for your kindness to me. I have great times these days. I go to day school, church and Sunday school. I see my sister, Mary, at school, and again thank you for putting her in a nice home. We have exchanged visits, and I will soon be going to see her again. I have nice rides in the buggy, and I must not forget to tell you that "Mamma" has bought me a new summer hat and three dresses since I came here. I made a pin cushion and got first prize for it at the local Fair and second prize for darning. This is all now I can say. So good-bye from one of your ELIZABETH MILLWARD.

Mrs. J. M. Hewie, Villiers, writes very nicely of Emma McCormick. We are glad for Emma to have kind, motherly care and attention, and hope the love shown her will help her to develop into a good girl.

MARRIAGES

Hymen is busy as usual. Lilian M. Newton was united in marriage to Mr. Claude H. Back in March last, and sends her photo. We heartily wish her much happiness in her married life, as we also do to the following:



MRS CLAUDE BACK

Annie Jones, now Mrs. Marshall, Blackwater, Ont. Eleanor M. Stantial, new Mrs. Ed. B. Nelson, Fulton, Ont. Sarah E. Morris, now Mrs. Geo. Timms, 28 Johnston St.,

Kingston, Ont.

Annie E. Collins, now Mrs. E. Long, Detroit, Mich. U.S.A.
Sarah J. Sullivan, now Mrs. Henry Hulcoop, 22 Sackville
St., Toronto, Ont.

Bertha Lloyd, now Mrs. Wilfred A. Crandall, St. Thomas, Ont.
Ivy R. E. Warren, now Mrs. Chapman, 143 Collier St.,
Toronto, Ont.
Www. Wagna, 20 Bristol Street,

Violet Cooper, now Mrs. Wm. Wegne, 20 Bristol Street, Buffalo, N.Y., U.S.A.



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DORA AND WINIFRED



ELIZABETH AND MARGARET



REBECCA AND

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ADELAIDE M. CRAPP



ALICE N. BOWMAN



ALICE M. HILL

Elizabeth Davis, now Mrs. Sydney H. Mitchell, Richwood,

Winifred White, now Mrs. Hurben, West Huntington, Ont. Maggie McCready, now Mrs. Sanders, Havelock, Ont. Mary Maud Thompson, now Mrs. Wm. Brown, Wodehouse, Ont.

Ethel Everest, now Mrs. James P. Crichton, Scarboro Jct., Ont.

Rachel Rogers, now Mrs. W. Goodson, 45 Henry Street, St. Catharines, Ont. Lily Thorner, now Mrs. Lewis Adolph Shepherd, Ottawa,

Daisy Elvin, now Mrs. Caster, 54 Roxborough St. West, Toronto, Ont. Sarah J. Connoway, now Mrs. Haynes, 107 Mutual St.,

Toronto, Ont.

Nellie Smith, now Mrs. John Towle, Leamington, Ont.

Sarah Smith, now Mrs. Harry Jackson, Lindsay, Ont.

Eliza Collins, now Mrs. David McFarlane, returned to

England. Catharine Bebbington, now Mrs. J. Leslie Higgins, Sunder-

land, Ont. Mary E. Taylor, now Mrs. Samuel Usher, Elbow, Saskat-

Lily M. Booth, now Mrs. Arthur Hulbert, Cadmus, Ont. Maud L. Naish, now Mrs. Sydney A. Prior, Springfield, Ont. Florence Honour, now Mrs. Norman Cox, R.R. No. 1, Hillsburg, Ont.

Dorothy M. Hawkins, now Mrs. Oliver King, Queensville, Ont.

May Baker, now Mrs. Wm. Charboneau, Constance M. Rostron, now Mrs. Wm. Somers, 218 Cole-

man St., Belleville, Ont.

Marton Silke, now Mrs. Jas. Kerr, Wicklow, Ont.

Violet M. Roberts, now Mrs. Living, Toronto, Ont.

Frances Black, now Mrs. Geo. Bell, Carleton St., Newboro Ont.

Sarah Freestone, now Mrs. Louis Woolley, Welland, Ont. Kate Henrickson, now Mrs. Irvine, Midlands, Ont. Kate, Young, now Mrs. Robt. Ray, Bath, Ont. Eliza Hyland, now Mrs. Walker H. Moore, Picton, Ont.

May Baker, now Mrs. Wm. Charboneau, was given a shower by her many friends, and we are pleased to think she is so highly esteemed.

OUR PICTURE GALLERY

Henrietta Lewin, with her three little charges, the Nunn children, is a healthy, happy-looking girl, and from all accounts is improving and trying to be what we would have her be—gentle and capable. Hetty is going to spend the summer months with her mistress and family at Lansdowne, and we wish her a pleasant time.

This is a very pleasing picture of Mabel Cobb. She is already known to our readers, and no doubt her friends will be pleased to see her photograph. Mabel is a member of the choir and helps to swell the songs of praise in St. Peter's Church, Hamilton.



THE HOME OF FLORENCE M. POWLESLAND

Florence M. Powlesland has a beautiful home, the picture of which is given herewith. Mrs. Allison is exceedingly kind to, and considerate of, Florence, who is not a strong girl.

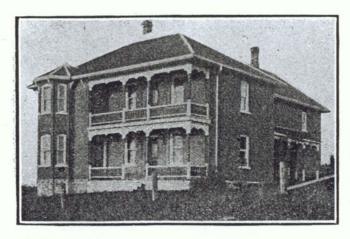
How bright and happy Gertrude M. Woodcock looks! She is at present with us in the Home, and is a wellbehaved, intelligent girl, and quite a useful little helper.

For five years Elizabeth Message has given Mrs. G. Jarrett good, faithful service. She looks well and happy, and we know her to be a kind, gentle girl, and a great help in time of sickness.

Mrs. Anguish is well pleased with Margaretta Ramsay, who has only lately gone to her present home. Miss Sillars also reports that Margaret has settled in very happily in her new surroundings, and does whatever she has to do willingly and pleasantly.

The Youde sisters, Margaret (standing) and Rebecca, are sisters indeed in the true sense of the word. They are fond of each other and both are doing well. They are looking forward to the coming of their brother to Canada. We hope for their sakes he will soon be with them.

Alice C. Manning looks as if she had just returned from a visit to the woods. She is a sweet, dear little girl, very intelligent and much loved by Mrs. Schofield.



THE HOME OF DORIS BLACK

Doris Black has a beautiful home. Miss Visick, who visited Doris lately, reports that she is a nice girl, and has every opportunity for improvement and advancement. The attachment between Doris and Mrs. John H. Blanchard is of a loving nature, and the interest taken in her progress and development is all that could be desired.

Annie Matthews was visited by Mrs. Lloyd early in the year, and, as usual, brought back a good account. Annie is quite the daughter of the family, and since coming to Mrs. Scanlon in 1906 has developed into an exceedingly nice young woman.

Two very promising girls are Dora and Winifred M. Browning. They look happy and successful, and their bright, cheery letters confirm their looks.

This picture shows the home of Elizabeth L. Gillham, who describes it as "the best home I have ever had." We hope Lizzie will do well and keep this home for a long time to come.

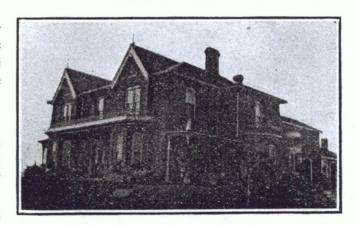
This makes a pretty picture—Rose E. Wright with Mrs. Birchard's ! little daughter. Mrs. Reazin received a good report of Rose. She is sweet and obliging in her home and devoted to the little girl. She is acquiring thrifty habits, and has quite a nice little balance in the bank.

Miss Bishop's home is kept lively and bright with the presence of Alice N. Bowman and Hannah Yard. Alice has quite an infectious smile, and Mrs. Lloyd tells us she is just as bright and happy as she looks. She and little Hannah are good companions, and is not a bit jealous of the latter, who is quite the pet. Hannah's sister, Gertrude, with Mrs. Nixon, Dalston, is both healthy and happy. Sometimes the sisters exchange visits.

Adelaide M. Crapp celebrated her birthday by having her photograph taken. She was allowed a holiday, and received many nice presents. Adelaide's mistress and friends are genuinely interested in helping and encouraging her to become a good young woman. She is striving very hard toward this end, and with perseverance she will succeed.

We are pleased to have this picture of Sarah J. Ross, with Mrs. Hamilton McKim, Camilla. One year in the country has done great things for Sarah. She has grown considerably and certainly looks well and confortably clothed.

Bessie Davis looks fresh and sweet in her summer dress. Miss Eva Sillars reports that she is neat and tidy about herself, and her picture assures us that this is so. Bessie excels in domestic affairs and household management, and is fast learning the lesson of self-control.



THE HOME OF ELIZABETH L. GILLHAM

Our Visitor has lately seen Edith M. Ayres, and reports her as well, and doing well and highly spoken of by everyone. Edith hopes to spend the summer at Stony Lake with her mistress. She will undoubtedly have a pleasant time, and we trust she will return to her duties feeling benefitted by the change.

A little account of Alice M. Hill's progress is given elsewhere in these pages. How bright and sweet she looks in this picture, taken in front of Mrs. Ranson's home! Her little friends will be delighted to see and hear of her.

Ethel M. Firth, who came to this country in 1899, still keeps in touch with the Home and her friends here. This is a picture of her home with Mrs. Graham, and our readers will have no difficulty in recognizing Ethel by her white apron and neat appearance.

This little snap-shot of Lena Bates and her pussy cat was taken by Miss Visick. Lena is a dear, affectionate child, and is very happy in her home with Mrs. John

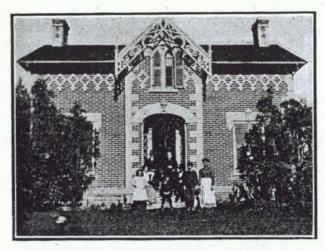
Swan, Port Perry.

Mary E. Kemble is a bright, happy girl, and has no desire to return to England. Canada is the land of her adoption and her ambition is to do well, for her own credit and to please the friends who have done so much for her. When last we heard from Mary she was expecting a visit from her brother. We hope it took place and that they both had an enjoyable time.

We are always glad to hear of our old girls. Amelia Alford has the appearance of a good, sensible young woman, and is a great help and comfort to her mistress.

Bella J. Fiddis came to Canada nearly eight years ago, and has made the most of her time and opportunities. She is a girl of sterling worth, and an acquisition to any household.

We consider this a splendid likeness of May D. Brunning. For the past four years her home has been, and still is, with



THE HOME OF ETHEL M. FIRTH

Mrs. H. H. Donaldson, Mono Mills. She assures us that she is very happy in this home, and on no account wishes to leave.

Eliza E. M. Ford is delighted with her Canadian surroundings; is considered a quiet, sensible little girl and a willing helper. The little sister, Dora, lives quite near to Eliza, and they are able to see each other quite often.

Charlotte E. Shaxted, with Mrs. (Rev.) Conn, Cannington, is a splendid nursemaid, and is appreciated by her mistress for her trustworthiness in caring for the children.

The picture of Fanny Bishop is one we like to see. She looks so nice and trim in her cap and apron. She is a faithful, willing girl and has given Mrs. Francis, Woodstock, good service for nearly two years. She contributes regularly to the Girls' Donation Fund, and feels grateful and indebted to the Homes for bringing her to Canada and giving her a start in life.

Margaret and Elizabeth Lambert are two nice girls, and both are in good homes in the neighbourhood of Oakwood. Mrs. Reazin reports "both girls are happily and comfortably situated, and doing well in every way." Jane A. Dunn, who is well known to us and much loved by all, is a good, Christian girl. She has just been converted and joined the Baptist Church, and taken her stand for Christ. May her sweet, Christian influence result in bringing others to see the light and have a desire to take their stand for God and the right.

OBITUARY

We regret to inform our readers of the death of Ivy Plant and May Brindley, which took place at the Home here on the 16th of February and the 5th of April, respectively.

May was with us for some time and Ivy a few weeks, and from the early

stages of their illness little hope was held out of their recovery. They were lovingly nursed by Miss Carter, but, despite the kindly attention, they were called home to their eternal rest.

When we think of their sufferings and the seeming hopelessness of their ever being strong, we cannot but be glad that they are now in their Father's home above.

Mr. and Mrs. Esli Terrill, Wooler, mourn Ivy as a loved child. They miss "the touch of the vanished hand and the sound of the voice that is still." We are sure our readers will join us in extending their sympathy to the friends who mourn their loss.

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