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OUR BOYS' AND GIRLS' CORNER

By Aunt June

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My Dear Boys and Girls:

Like the snowball, our League is growing and growing bigger and bigger every week. It is perfectly wonderful to find how many boys and girls there are in the world who wish to be helpers, and who are doing everything they can for other people. I am tremendously proud of my big band of true helpers. Do not forget what I said a few weeks ago that the very best way any person can help himself or herself to grow bigger and better, stronger or happier, is to help someone else.

Now, helpers all, I want you to remember once more that this is your own corner, and that by your letters, verses, stories or anything else you send in, you may make these columns as interesting as you like.

So far, I have not had many bird letters this year. Where are our bird lovers? A year ago so many of you told me about the winter birds. How many have you noticed around your house? Do you know any bird that sings in the winter? I wonder who can tell me of one.

Last week Hocus sent us a game, so we will point it here for everyone to return. The game is called: "QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS."

Each player is furnished with a pencil and two slips of paper. The more players, the more fun. On one slip of paper a question must be written. The papers are then collected and put into a bag or basket. Then the players write on the second slip the answer to the question they asked. These are then put into a different basket, each paper being first folded so that the writing cannot be seen.

Each player now draws a question and an answer which must be read aloud. As the slips have by now become all mixed up, the result is very curious; for instance, some of the questions and answers read like this: Question, Where are you going? Answer, I am afraid of them. Question, Do you like roses? Answer, Yes with mustard. Question, Do you eat beef? Question, Yes, without horns.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS. A hearty welcome to the following new members: Clara Cousins, Centurion; Fudge, New Laskard; "The Farmer's Merry Son," Redwood; Mickey Philmore (this is a pen name); Rocantio, Sask.; Eden Robinson, Wheatley; Charles Hope, Merlin; Meryl Livingstone; Karl William Nikolson, Southampton; Eva Love, Flower Station; Dorothy Kay, Merlin; "Two American Cousins," Marjorie Farrar, Missouri, Montana; Jean Cummins, Langdon, N. Dak.; Jean Campbell, Ploverville; Paul Anderson, Hepburn; "Joak Frost," Mount Elgin; "Candace Hunter," Tyrerton; Jewel Marie Hunter, Tyrerton; John Maddocks, Toronto.

OUR LETTER BOX. Contains such a jolly lot of letters this week.

Wheatley, Ont. Dear Aunt June:—I read your nice corner of other Helpers' letters, and thought I would like to be one too. I go to school every day. I am twelve years old and in the junior fourth class.

Dear Aunt June:—I am sure you are a true Helper, as you do so many things for mother. I hope you did not think your letter was lost, as it has been waiting its turn to be printed. By the time you see this, you will have received your badge. I hope you will like it.

DELIGHTED WITH BADGE. Boycegreen, Ont. My Dear Aunt June:—Joe and I were pleased with our badges and will not lose them. It is a long time since I wrote. I will write sooner the next time. You must have a lot of nice trips around Montreal. I liked the gifts you told us and the Helpers about. I have made some two-paper dolls I cut out and colored, ornaments, red, pink, brown, and all I colored with my crayons. We had a Christmas tree nicely fixed, and Aunt Anne and Uncle Alred sent us a book each and a card each. The names of the books were "My Railway and Train," "Teddy Moose," and "The Soldier, Boys," and "Grimm's Fairy Tales." Santa brought us three stiches. I hope there will be snow soon for us to play with them. I am sending you a verse about the lovely snow, and the next time I will send you a story of Robin Red Breast and a verse about him too.

The Lovely Snow. I love to see the pretty snow that comes on Christmas year. It fills everybody's heart with lots of Christmas cheer. I get my sleigh and go on the pretty snow, then I call Joe, Joe, Come and have a ride. "All right," says Joe. At Christmas tide there's lovely cold, cool, sunny air. I just love it then it it were hot weather fair.



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It's cool and cold and nice. It's cold as cold, cold sea. Oh, the lovely snow is just fun for John and Joe. I can look out of the window and look at John and Joe. Making pretty snow balls out of the pretty snow.

Wishing you and all the Helpers a Happy New Year, with love from ANNIE LAURA HUNTER. Dear Annie:—I am very glad to know that you and Joe were pleased with your badges. You have had a very happy holiday time with so many gifts and Santa Claus was indeed good to you. Thank you for the serve, and please give my love to Joe.

Eau Claire, Ont. Dear Aunt June:—I thought that I would write to you when I saw the others writing to you. I go to school every day. I have a half-mile to go to school. I am in the junior third class at school. Our teacher's name is Miss Bell. I like her fine. Will you please send me a badge. There is a lot of ice around here. I love sliding.

MAGGIE MAXWELL. Dear Maggie:—Is the ice still holding good? If so, I am sure you are having a lot of fun. I am very glad you like your teacher. You did not tell me quite enough in your letter about yourself—that is, the kind of helping you do outside of school time. One of the rules for joining the Helpers League of Service is that you must write a letter telling about your deeds of service. I am sure there is some one you help. If you will write and tell me what kind of thing you do, I will see that you receive a badge.

Glanford, Sta., Ont. Dear Aunt June:—I happened to notice your other letters and thought I would like a pin. I wash dishes. I have a kitten called Plossy and a pony called Kitty. I have three sisters and two brothers. I am nine years of age. I go to school every day. I like skating very much.

DORIS LEMING. Dear Doris:—I would like very much to see your pony and the kitten. I wonder if they are good friends. Your list of helpful deeds is not quite so long as some sent in by other Helpers, but I am sure that you will find other helpful things to do, and I expect you can do many more things for mother than wash dishes. Washing dishes is a great help, I know. You shall have a badge.

Dumdalk. Dear Aunt June:—I would like to join your League of Service and there is no pledge in our paper this week. I am a girl nine years old, and am in the senior first class. I just have one brother. He goes to school too. I can do quite a few things to help, such as wiping dishes, bringing in wood, setting the table. I like to play on the ice. We have a pet dog. His name is "Sport." I will enclose a stamp for a badge as my letter is getting long, so will close for this time.

MILDRED WARNER. Dear Mildred:—Thank you for a neat letter. How does "Sport" like the ice? Do you take him with you when you play? I wonder what kind of a dog he is. When you say you can do quite a few things to help, you mean also that you do these things or some of them. I am sending you a badge, and would like to have some more news from you another day.

South River, Ont. Dear Aunt June:—This is my first letter to you. I am reading all the letters in the Boys' and Girls' Corner for a long time, and I thought I would write to help you out. I go to school every day. I live two miles from school. When I come home I help my mother. I feed the hens, carry in wood and water and help milking the cows and feed the sheep and pigs and other calves, and we have quite a few other animals. I have a pet dog and cat. I play with them every day. This is all for this time. Wishing the Club every success. I am sending a three-cent stamp and an envelope, wishing to get a badge.

ANDREW MICHAEL. Dear Andrew:—Such a lot of my nephews and nieces live over a mile away from school. I expect you find that two-mile walk lovely in the summer time and the fall. You seem to have a lot of animals on your farm. I am glad you like pets.

Scottsgrad, Sask. Dear Aunt June:—I wish to join your Club. Please send me a badge. I am eight years old and go to school. I bring the cows up at night. My pets are a dog named "Sport," and have some good times with him; then I have a black cat and a speck hen. I have an orphan colt; his name is Babe. I have one sister and no brothers. I wish Aunt June and all the members a Happy New Year.

BORDEN HARPER. Dear Borden:—I am delighted to have your letter and to hear about your pets. Thank you for your good wishes. I would like to hear more about your school.

Carmangay, Alta. Dear Aunt June:—As I was looking over the paper I noticed your corner and I made up my mind I would join it. I live on the prairie five miles from our nearest town, Carmangay. We had a very successful programme and tree at our school this Christmas. I went to get it up. I said a recitation, was in a play, a drill and two songs. I hope Santa brought us three stiches. I hope there will be snow soon for us to play with them. I am sending you a verse about the lovely snow, and the next time I will send you a story of Robin Red Breast and a verse about him too.

MARY THOMSON. Dear Mary:—You shall have a badge. I should like very much to have seen your Christmas entertainment. You helped with it a great deal, I see. How would you like to write to some of the members whose names you will find in our Corner today? I think the idea of exchanging letters with each other is a fine one.

DOROTHY LITTLEJOHNS. Dear Dorothy:—I wonder how old the little brother is. I am very sorry your dog was poisoned, for I am sure you love all the pets and must have felt his loss very much. You have earned a badge. I hope you will like to wear it.

Living greetings and many thanks to the following for their letters which will be found below:—Gladys



JACK and Jill went up a hill, To fetch a pail of water; They carried it back Without spilling a drop, In just the way they ought'er.

Find two other water carriers. Both upper side down, along hair.

great pleasure the "Helper" letters. I would like to join your excellent League too.

I live across the Bay of Quinte from Deseronto and am over there at least once a week, any way, summer or winter. In summer I row over in the skiff, and in winter, when the ice is good, I skate. It is snowing to night and blowing a fierce gale. I have four pets—well five. First my little niece and namesake, a little rosy-cheeked, blue-eyed, and chestnut coated lassie. She will be three years old the 14th of February, then my little white-headed, two-year-old cousin Harold. They live in Deseronto. Well then there is Jessie the cow, a real pet, Jingo the cat (I had some time taming him), and last but not least, Gruffy, the pig.

Well, I'll now tell you how I help—not much I'm afraid. I wash the dishes, sweep the floor, keep my room tidy, carry water, bake nearly all the cakes, and do quite a bit of cooking for mother. I also take care of my nephews when they come over. I do my own mending and do a good turn whenever I get the chance. But my when I look back and see the things I could and should have done, it makes me ashamed! I think that I am doing very little to what the other Helpers are doing—don't you think so?

I go to school, yet I quit last year and went to work in the glass factory. I left there and went to a match factory. Now I have returned to school, and headed the Christmas report this year in my school. I have been going since November. I don't think that too bad, do you? But such a sad writing, don't believe you can make it out, so I will not go on. I feel like writing on and on. I love to write stories and the one teacher I went to two years ago took several of my compositions home with her.

BABE. Dear Babe:—I am very glad indeed to have such an interesting letter from you. As I read it through, I am wondering very much how old you are. With all the news you have given me, you let out this most interesting point. I think you must be over twelve years of age, because I note that you have been out to work in two factories. You did not say how you liked this adventure. Whatever your age, you are a very welcome new member to our League, because one is never too old to be a helper. I am very glad you put the baby niece first. I do not think you need feel ashamed of not having done more if you have lived up to the two lines in your letter, "I do a good turn whenever I get the chance." This is the Scout motto, is it not? Perhaps you will send in a story one day. I hope you will wear the badge.

Highgate, Ont. Dear Aunt June:—I would very much like to join your club. I am seven years old. I go to school every day when I come home. I do my lessons and help mother. I help with the dishes, clean up, and when my brother is cross I play with him. He likes best to play with my kitten. He is a good size now, white and grey spotted. His mother was killed so we brought them home and care for them. There was two of them, but the little gray one died. We had a dear little dog named "Beauty." Some cruel person poisoned him. I miss him very much. Mother is nervous, so I help her as much as I can. I would like to wear one of the Faithful Service pins, and will close with a three-cent stamp.

ALICE GRAHAM. Dear Aunt June:—I received the pin and think it a little beauty. I saw my letter in print and you said you liked cats. I like cats too. I take music lessons, and I am getting along fine. Our school stopped 22nd of December. Well, Santa was very good to me. I was away at my sister's for a week and a half; had a good time. I was at a Christmas tree down there.

MARGARET D. Yours lovingly, AUNT JUNE. Box 516, Station F, Toronto.

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NEWS ITEMS COVERING THE ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN IN ALL PARTS OF ONTARIO.

Acton. In January we held an old time social and cafeteria tea for the benefit of the G. W. V. A. Home here and were pleased to hand them a cheque for \$41. Acton Institute are ordering brooms for all members and others made by blind soldiers, King street, Toronto. We feel we ought to help these poor fellows in whatever way we can as we feel it will be a very meagre living they will make out of brooms.

Leamington. The monthly meeting of the W. I. was held at the home of Mrs. Ed. Hoagwood. Meeting opened by singing the "Institute Ode". The committee reported \$90 receipts from tickets sold for a picture at the "Patricia Theatre".

The course in "Home Nursing and First Aid" under Dr. Rutnam recently returned from India, will be held in the basement of the Presbyterian Church. The Annual "At Home" will be held in the C.O.F. Hall, on March 11th, cards and dancing.

Mr. E. C. Aweary (lawyer) gave an address on "Laws Relating to Women and Children." Miss May Noble, District President, gave an excellent paper on "Putting the Best in Life." Lunch was served. 37 present.

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"Well?" said the third tier. "You were who killed the know him as wait for an at your mouth, warning. If not tell—us. You will you split—finished the. The those reported had ed by Jimmy thought that the man at—science. He had s that for all up, the three bluff—perhaps pistol was b tions would h had he supp. He took a and sideways its way thro man's pocket the story wa lett's knee w hold about a collapsed gur. The whole in bare ly they fell th. "Hold him o lett. That's man possessi ing captives behind his b he methodical hands throa through, poss small, still s weath-knife. "Thank you tleman behi along to King what Mr. Meo. Then Haller who had com the livered i cepted his five the reporters. But he no long in quiet man manner was m might be exp a hotel gues stances. He surprised quiry and en arm into that tective Sergeo planned a l it later. "W man?" He sho "Smith—W the man sulle at Hallett. "That's a e name" he sai office at King awaiting Mead explanation wa tone. "It was You see, Mr keep an eye o sent home yo thought you d doesn't at a in our tradit see, and thou you might ha introduction y be sure you let. "And soudb back of the h with iron. Royal gave zies doesn't t couldn't do y know me at t it was I was and walk bro as I liked. A new bill get you t in a bit fogged forgotten who been searchi Royal's tra.

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