



To Our Young Readers.

Our young readers are cordially invited to enter our wide circle of Cousins. By writing to

COUSIN KATE,

"The Weekly Graphic,"

Shortland Street, Auckland.

Cousin Kate is particularly desirous that those boys and girls who write should tell her whatever interests them to tell, about their games, their pets, their holidays, or their studies. Their letters and Cousin Kate's replies will appear in the "Weekly Graphic," on the Children's Page.

All Cousins under the age of fourteen are accounted Junior Cousins, all above that age Senior Cousins. Cousins may continue writing until quite grown up, and after, if they wish to do so; for we are proud to number among our Cousins some who have passed out of their teens.

A Badge will be sent to each new Cousin on the receipt of an addressed envelope.

COUSINS' CORRESPONDENCE.

Masterton.

DEAR COUSIN KATE,—I was very pleased to see my letter in print. I am going to Wellington with my mother and sister. I must send you some of my own writing that I can do without any help. I will close—so good-bye. Your loving cousin, JACK.

[Dear Cousin Jack,—All the cousins love to see their letters in the "Graphic." I do hope you have a nice time down in Wellington. You must write and tell me all about what you did. With love.—Cousin Kate.]

Masterton.

Dear Cousin Kate,—I was very glad, indeed, to see my letter in print. We are now having our holidays. I am going to Wellington to spend them. The weather here in Masterton is lovely. I have got a new doll, and I have been thinking what name would be best for it. Dear Cousin Kate, would you kindly give me a name for it? I will close now, and will write you a long letter after my holidays, so good-bye for the present.—Your loving cousin, AGNES.

[Dear Cousin Agnes,—Many thanks for your nice little letter. I think we are having a very good winter. How would Daisy Belle do for your dolly? With love.—Cousin Kate.]

Masterton.

Dear Cousin Kate,—I am writing you a few lines in answer to your last letter. It is quite a long time since I wrote last, but I am a very bad hand at writing letters. We are having lovely weather now, but it is very frosty in the morning. The ground is simply white. It looks very nice. My sister is going to Wellington on Monday for her school holidays, which last a fortnight. Well, Cousin Kate, I hope you and the other cousins are all quite well. I have no more news to tell you at present, so will close for a while. Good-bye for the present, with love to all.—Cousin ALICE.

[Dear Cousin Alice,—I am glad to hear from you again. We have had a wonderful winter so far, and so frosty. I rather wish we did have them. Did you see in the papers that the Dunedin harbour is pretty bad been frozen over? It seems hard to believe. With love.—Cousin Kate.]

Braemar.

Dear Cousin Kate,—Just a few lines to let you know how I am. We are all preparing for the Coronation. We have to march up and down the streets with flags in our hands, and we are also going to have music given to us. I can play anything on the piano now. Cousin Lily, are these the answers to your riddle? What is black and white and read all over? Answer, A newspaper. Riddle, What makes more noise than a pig under the gate? Answer, Two pigs. We have only one cow in milk now, and we have two pigs, but we are going to kill one to-morrow. We have six

houses, three guinea fowls, about fifty common White Leghorns, and fourteen blue chequer and three magpie pigeons. They are not very tame. We have a library at school. I will now close with a riddle: Three Christian people went up a steepie, they were neither men, women, nor children. What were they?—With love, from LILY.

[Dear Cousin Lily,—Well, all the Coronation festivities are over now, and I hope you had lots of fun. I think those answers are right. You have lots of birds to feed; is that supposed to be your work? With love.—Cousin Kate.]

Masterton.

Dear Cousin Kate,—Just a few lines to let you know how I am getting on. During those holidays I am going to Wellington. I will write again, and tell you about my visit. I am going to the zoological gardens, Newtown Park, the museum, and the exhibition. I am getting on fine. I hope you are the same. I must say good-bye.—From your loving cousin, DULCIE.

[Dear Cousin Dulcie,—What a lovely time you will have. There is such a lot to see in a big place like Wellington. I shall expect to have a full account of your doings when next you write. With love.—Cousin Kate.]

Kimbolton.

Dear Cousin Kate,—May I become a member of your happy circle? My sister wrote to you the other day, but we have not seen her letter in "The Graphic" yet. When I saw her badge I thought I would like one too, so I am enclosing an addressed envelope. I must close now, as it is my last letter. With love to all the cousins.—From Cousin DOROTHY.

[Dear Cousin Dorothy,—We are pleased to welcome you, and we hope you will be a good correspondent. Your sister's letter will be printed soon. With love.—Cousin Kate.]

Rotorua.

Dear Cousin Kate,—I am writing to you to ask you if I can be one of your little cousins. I am eight years old. I go to the Rotorua Public School, and am in Standard 3. I like school very much. We all got medals on Coronation Day. We went to the Sanatorium grounds, and listened to the band playing, and heard the people making speeches. Dad was with us, and it was lovely.—Your loving cousin IDA.

[Dear Cousin Ida,—I am delighted to welcome a nice little cousin of eight years, and hope she will send us nice little letters. Did you write the letter yourself? With love.—Cousin Kate.]

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Dear Cousin Kate,—I received my badge this afternoon. I think it is very beautiful, and I thank you very much for it; also for accepting me as a cousin. I will write as often as I can. If I write on Mondays will my letter reach you in time for printing? We are having very cold weather at present. I have two pigs, a lamb, called Flossie, and a calf called Topsy. I will close now, with love to yourself and other cousins. Cousin FRANK.

[Dear Cousin Frank,—I am so glad you like the badge. Your letters are printed in time, and it just depends how many letters come in, because there is only a certain space for them, and if there are too many one week, they are kept till the following week. With love.—Cousin Kate.]

Fielding.

Dear Cousin Kate,—I would like to become one of your cousins. I am eleven years old, and am in the fourth standard. I have four brothers and two sisters. The eldest brother is married, and has one little girl. We get "The Graphic" every week, and I enjoy reading the Children's Page. It was very wet down here on Coronation Day. We got a medal with the picture of the King and Queen on it. Mr Price showed all the children pictures of the Coronation. Would you kindly send me a badge? Your loving Cousin LINDA.

[Dear Cousin Linda,—I am pleased to welcome you as a cousin. What a shame it rained on Coronation Day! We had fine weather all day, but it rained hard at night, but the streets were crowded with people out to see the illuminations. With love.—Cousin Kate.]

Kiwitena.

Dear Cousin Kate,—I thank you for the pretty badge you sent me. I was very pleased to see my letter in the "Graphic." My sister is writing to you. We have had two days' holiday from school for the Coronation. We got our medals on Wednesday, and I like them very much. A lot of the girls from our school are writing to you. I have turned my pony out for the winter and have to walk to school.—With love, Cousin CONNIE.

[Dear Cousin Connie,—I am glad you liked the badge. I think the school medals are very pretty. You will miss your pony very much, but walking won't hurt you this weather.—With love, Cousin Kate.]

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