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but himself. He has not learned that the best way to have a friend is to be a friend. This he is not to the other birds; he seems to want to 'run the whole show.' Consequently, many other more desirable birds refuse to remain in his neighbourhood. In towns and cities you would see lots of English Sparrows all the year round. This is one of the few birds that we are advised to destroy."

"In that case," said Jimmie, "I'm glad we haven't many." "Still," added Mr. Marlowe, "there are some who love him. Some day you should read what our poet, William Kirby, says about English Sparrows. Perhaps I can remember a few lines:—

"Suddenly a fluttering of wings Shook the soft snow—a twittering of birds, Chirping a strange, old note, but heard before In English hedges and on roofs red-tiled

Of cottage homes that looked on village greens! An old, familiar note! Who says the ear Forgets a voice once heard? The eye, a charm? The heart, affection's touch, from man or woman?

Not mine at least! I knew my own birds' language, And recognized their little forms with joy. "A flock of English sparrows at my door, With feathers ruffled in the cold north wind, Claimed kinship with me—hospitality!—

Brown-coated things! Not for uncounted gold Would I have made denial of their claims! Five! six! ten! twenty! But I lost all count

In my great joy. Whence come, I knew not; glad They came to me, who loved them for the sake Of that dear land at once both theirs and mine."

"There must be some good in them," commented Jimmie, "to make a man write such nice poetry about them as that."

"There's another of our little friends," said Boy Blue. "See, Jimmie; there on the hemlock tree by the gate. That's a Chipping Sparrow. There's two of them, and they have a nest in that tree. They are the smallest of the family, and it's easy to tell them from the other Sparrows by their bright chestnut crowns. You see their breasts are whitish, too, and not at all speckled."

"Oh, I've often seen those birds around home," said Jimmie. "What a cheerful little song they have—'Chip, chip, chip.' I like to hear them."

"They like us, too," Dimple remarked. "They like to be near people; that's why they are sometimes called 'Social Sparrows.'"

"Yes, and they are not a bit shy," Boy Blue hastened to add. "Last year, when the family were nearly full grown, they would hop about in the branches, just a few feet away from us, peering and peeping at us curiously, but not a bit afraid."

"It is surprising how much good a little fellow like that can do," said Daddy. "The Chipping Sparrow is among the most useful of our feathered friends."

There were Robins, hard at work, all over the garden and orchard. From a clump of lilacs in the deserted garden a Catbird mewed complainingly; and an Oriole, which kept just out of sight amid the thick foliage, tuned up his loud, ringing morning song. The children waited a little while, hoping that these two favourites would come out and show themselves, but, perhaps, the birds were distrustful of Jimmie. At any rate, they remained hidden until the little party had set out across the old, daisy-sprinkled meadow.

BESIDE THE CAMP FIRE

Notes on Scoutcraft by Commissioner Rev. Geo. W. Tebbs

The Religious Life of a Scout.

THERE hangs in Headquarters a copy of the picture entitled, "The Pathfinder," painted by Mr. E. S. Carlos, one of that splendid band of men who has made the supreme sacrifice in the Great War. The boy in the picture, in the uniform of a Scout, is represented as studying the chart of life, and, as he meditates on the choice of a career, he feels, as it were, the hand of the Master Scout placed lovingly on his shoulder, and he hears a voice say:—

Lift up thine eyes, my son, Pausing awhile; Rest thou on Me Thy way to see. Stretch forth thy hand, my son, That way to know, And calmly stand Till I command. I am the Master Scout, Presence Divine, Still at thy side Whate'er betide.

The very first claim made upon a Scout as he joins is loyalty to God. It is a necessity for every leader and boy. There should be a full appreciation of the religious and moral aim underlying the whole scheme of scouting, for any troop of Boy Scouts will be as religious as the Leader cares to make it. We are not merely dealing with the physical and mental growth of the boy, but with the moral and religious development as well. The boy at Scout age is naturally religious, that is, he responds most readily to the influence of consistent religious profession as he sees it in his leaders. He is to be taught to keep himself unspotted from the world. To the boy, religion is not a code of ethics; it is not a system of dogma; it is not elaborate ceremonial. In all his scouting he is brought into close touch with the Creator and the wonders of a created world, and it is a grand opportunity for the Scout leaders to carry on one step further, to go beyond the routine saying of prayers and an intellectual knowledge of the Bible, valuable though these be, and to bring him into real, definite relation with Christ, his Elder Brother. The Boy Scout's religion is very similar to that of the soldier on active service. He looks for help in the time of his own little needs, and to whom can we better direct him than to the Great White Comrade, Who as a boy grew in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man?

Kiwanians' Boy Scout Resolutions.

The following resolutions were brought up and passed at a recent meeting of the Kiwanis Club, Calgary, Alta.:

"That every Kiwanian be asked to take out a supporting membership subscription at \$1 per annum of the Boy Scout Association of the Province of Alberta, same to be taken out at once.

"That every Kiwanian be asked to secure two new members, and that they, in their turn, be asked to secure two other members, and so on.

"That the Rotary Club be asked to join, and all other Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs in the province be asked to co-operate.

"That circular letters be sent to the managers of every bank in the province outlining the plan and asking their support."

What about the other provinces?

Scouting Pars.

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