

under various nom-de-plumes to suit her subject. At least two of these poems will appear every month, and one which is particularly suitable for that season, will appear in our grand double 'Xmas number.

Now, Boys! You mustn't miss "Meg" by May Quinlan. A Human-Interest story of the slums of London, which will undoubtedly grip you. This little sketch of real life is one of many from "In the Devil's Alley," and is portrayed by the authoress from her many and varied experiences while working in the slums of the East End of London. While depicting the rough exterior of its denizens, she by no means covers up the inner kindness of heart that is typical of so many of them. This 'thought for others' is well brought out in "Wee Willie"—"Theer were a 'alfpenny fur milk for little Joey wot's sick." Out of sixpence, fourpence-halfpenny for others and three-halfpence for himself—and probably he shared the three halfpenny buns with his chums. Can you beat it, boys?

There is a great improvement of late in the number and quality of contributions that are pouring in for publication in *Pat's Post*, and we have been forced, reluctantly, to hold over many for future issues. Owing to the shortage of paper and the increased cost of production, we have had to lessen the number of pages to sixteen, and to cut out some of the sketches. By the way, Baxter's drawing, "Will the Company take the Hint?" that appeared last month, has made a great hit. Look out for more from the same facile pencil!

Those "Ball" stories have become quite the feature of our "Rag," and are eagerly looked for each month. Quite up to the *Montreal Herald* standard of reporting 'ball' games! Well, do you know that our special 'Sports' man happens to be a 'Ball' reporter for the *Montreal Herald*—one Pte. J. Rodgers, of that ilk,

Now, don't you think you are getting a good four-pennyworth each month?

Within a few hours of publication of the July number, there was not a copy to be had for love or money, thanks to the energy and 'esprit de corps' of Sergt. Baker and Private Wright, who disposed of nearly the whole issue between them. It is help of this kind that we appreciate, especially as it was entirely disinterested.

By the time these lines meet your eye, Summer will be on its last lap, and the time come to be getting in 'copy' for the Christmas number of *Pat's Post*. So please, 'an you love us, keep a good look out for seasonable stories, poems, etc.—and send them in early. We hope to bring out something great—with your assistance. Watch Russia!—I mean "November" somewhere about the 15th.

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