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affording every inducement to the Society to redouble their efforts. Upwards of twelve thousand emigrants arrived at Quebec in 1819; and Dr. Stewart is informed that this year (1820), the influx has not diminished. These poor people are particularly worthy of our charity and to them especially we are bound to impart that most inestimable treasure, the bread of life. It will be well bestowed, and will produce much fruit, to our mutual comfort and advantage. Our opportunity of doing good is enlarged, and our obligations to perform it are increased: The cause prospers and the Society is blessed. "The Lord has much people" in Canada; and it is to be hoped that, ere long, "great will be the company of the preachers." "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few: Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."

Dr. Stewart is induced to believe that his mission has proved useful, and relies on the favorable disposition of the Society for their approbation. He purposes shortly to resume his duties, trusting in the continuance of their support, and in the providence of God blessing every work and labour of love undertaken for the propagation of the Gospel of his son Jesus Christ.

Beside the Camp Fire

Notes on Scoutcraft

Commissioner Rev. Geo. W. Tebbs

A STIRRING message has been sent to the Boy Scouts of Canada by His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire, the Governor-General and Chief Scout for Canada as follows:—

"The question is often asked what will be the future of Canada, and the immediate reply is to point out the wonderful national assets of the country, and the endless opportunities which it provides, but by far the greatest of all assets is the character of her citizens. The history of Canada in peace and war is a record of continuous success and it is for us in our generation to see that that record is worthily maintained. One of our surest hopes lies in the Canadian boy of to-day. He inherits a great tradition, he has the instincts and qualities which have made British and Canadian citizenship what it is, and as a Boy Scout he has the opportunity of training himself to make the best use of them. The year now drawing to a close has been

eventful, but we can look forward with ever increasing confidence, and as Chief Scout I am glad to have the privilege of wishing every Scout a Happy Christmas and a most prosperous New Year.

"Devonshire, Chief Scout."

We are sorry that the above message was not received in time for the last "Notes," but it is well worth inserting even at this late date.

The 25th Toronto Troop won the Canadian National Exhibition Cup in the Ontario Provincial Boy Scouts Rifle Competition for 1919 with 486 points. Scouts Bennett and Bern of the same Troop headed the highest individual scores with 88 and 85 points, respectively. Toronto 24th Troop and Niagara Falls Troop occupied second and third places.

The Brockville First Troop have a splendid fall and winter programme arranged, in which many of the leading professional citizens of the town are assisting by giving lectures to the Scouts on Chemistry, Dentistry, Astronomy, Local History, Woodcraft, Accidents, the Value of Education, etc., which is most suggestive to Troops in other places. More of this sort of thing would materially assist the movement as a citizen-making force.

The Wolf Cubs of Ipswich, England, recently took part in a big Scout Rally. When Lord Allenby, Field Marshal, was presented with the freedom of that city, twelve members of the 7th Pack (Lord Allenby's Own) provided the Guard of Honour.

The Newmarket (Ontario) Scouts elected their officers recently. Mr. John H. Davidson, principal of the High School and vice-president of the Local Council, presided. The election resulted as follows: President, B. W. Hunter; 1st vice-president, Dr. Otton; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Aubrey Davis; 3rd vice-president, Mrs. Charles Lewis; Chaplain, Rev. Capt. Lawrence; secretary-treasurer, J. E. B. Wilson; and a strong executive committee. Under the able leadership of Scoutmaster Hawkins, a good season's work is predicted for the Newmarket Troop.

King's Scout Percy Harold Johnston was awarded the Gilt Cross for saving the life of Robert Armstrong from drowning. Scout Johnston is a member of the Trinity Church Troop St. John, N.B., and received his decoration at the hands of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

Following a banquet recently given by this same Troop the boys entertained their guests by holding a display which was thoroughly enjoyed. A feature of the evening was the drill demonstrated by the Wolf Cub pack, this particular pack being the first formed in St. John. Among the visitors present were Rev. Canon Armstrong, Rev. F. Ellis, A. C. Skelton, W. F. Hewitson, John Kimble, H. Russel Sturdee, Mr. Alton and Mr. Clarke.

During the course of a luncheon, Mr. Taylor Statten told the Central Committee of the Y.M.C.A., Winnipeg, that there should be an increased interest in the Boy Scouts.

Fort Erie Troop of Boy Scouts are going strong and are doing good work.

A LUCKY REPLY.

In an infant school the teacher chose the miracle of the water being turned into wine as the subject of the usual Bible lesson.

In telling the story she occasionally asked a few questions. One of them was:—

"When the new wine was brought to the governor of the feast, what did he say?"

A little girl, remembering what she had heard, probably on some festive occasion, called out:—

"Here's luck!"



Miss Chatterbox.—"I must tell you the sad story of my sister some day. Poor girl, she's a widow and she is looking for a captain to steer her through the stormy seas of life."
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