

passed on, interrupted by a short notice of the closing of the winter season.

Prize Awards.

As it is sometimes a very difficult matter for the inspector at Church parades to select the individual entitled to the first prize for cleanliness, owing to the fact that there are several lads who run number one a pretty close race, this month's report gives the names of the lads receiving the 2nd and 3rd prizes, as well as that of the young men leading off with No. 1:

December 15 — 1, Swift; 2, Peter Smith; 3, Gruber.

December 22 — 1, Manser; 2, Gilchrist; 3, Hinton.

Christmas Day — 1, Newcombe; 2, Hooper; 3, Taylor.

December 29 — 1, E. C. Clarke; 2, Hatherton; 3, P. Smith.

January 5 — 1, M. Smith; 2, John P. Hill; 3, P. Hill.

January 12 — 1, Hooper; 2, Hatherton; 3, P. Hill.

Marriage Belle

Old acquaintance of Mr. Harry Good, who has the honour of being numbered among the list of pioneers of the Manitoba Farm, will probably not have yet forgotten our friend's chronic weakness for the fair sex. Well, Harry's cherished threat has at last been carried out and the young man has joined the great army of benedicts. The North-Western correspondent of UPS AND DOWNS certainly has cause for feeling somewhat slighted, as this wedding came off on December 11th, and UPS AND DOWNS was not notified until January 4th, otherwise we could have placed the announcement in the New Year's number. However, we will forgive Harry if he won't do it again, and we feel sure that readers of UPS AND DOWNS will join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Good once more the best of good-bye for a long life of happiness. Mr. Good's present address is Box 12, Virdia, Manitoba.

Christmas Eve Talk

On Christmas Eve, the people of the West will be reminded of the birth of our Lord and Saviour, and will be reminded of the fact that Mr. Kimber, who has been a resident of the West for many years, is now a resident of the West.

new to acknowledge a substantial act of kindness on the part of Kimber, as we received from him only a few days ago a five dollar bill, with instructions to send it on to Mr. Owen, to be applied to the general funds of the Institution. We do not wish to complain, but have to unwillingly admit that our young men who have been placed out in the West from the Farm Home under the writer's care, have been somewhat remiss in their efforts to assist our much-respected Director in his endeavours to help others on to the same footing they themselves have already attained, sometimes at heavy cost to the Institutions, and we sincerely trust that the example of our old friend, Kimber, who no doubt keeps posted on the advancement of the Homes and makes few moves of any kind in ignorance (indeed, a prominent man knowing Ben, well informed the writer, a few days ago, that Mr. Kimber was one of the best read men in the Yorkton District) will encourage others to send to Dr. Barnardo slight recognitions, at least for favours already received. On a line with Kimber's contribution we received on Christmas Day two dollars from Ernest Leech, of Burnside. Leech appears to be making his way in the district in which he has selected his home, and we believe it will be a source of gratification to the young man all through the year that he has deposited his mite towards the great and good work with which he has the honour of a connection.

One Like Him.

Do the boys and youths, sent out from our different Institutions in Canada, realize the extent and importance of their own individual example as it affects others still to be placed? The writer fears not. Think it over, lads, and like the Scotchman trying to take a joke, you will probably *after a while* see the point of our contention.

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