

# Editorial Settings

## A New Volume.

OUR July number completed Volume III., and **UPS AND DOWNS** was then three years old, having continued two years as a monthly and one year as a quarterly. This is the first number of a new volume, and when we compare it with the October number of a year ago we cannot but remark that it has grown in circulation, size and good looks, if it has not also improved in the quality of its contents. While we hesitate to admit that this is a permanent feature, the last two numbers were enlarged from forty-eight to sixty-four pages—an addition of sixteen extra pages of reading matter—the subscription price remaining the same. At twenty-five cents per annum **UPS AND DOWNS** should be cheap to the pocket and dear to the heart of every Barnardo boy in Canada. No boy is too poor to subscribe for it, and no subscriber, we trust, will, after this hint, allow his or her subscription to become or remain in arrears. Twenty-five cents is not much to each subscriber, yet when many subscribers are delinquent, the quarters become hundreds of dollars, and the editor is at his wits' ends to make ends meet. If you are in arrears, this is intended as an urgent request to you to pay up without further delay. There is not a single boy or girl in all Dr. Barnardo's great Canadian family who is not interested in the doings and welfare of his foster brothers and sisters, and there should not be a boy or girl among them so mean as to begrudge a mere quarter of a dollar per year for the *Home* magazine. If all the arrears due to **UPS AND DOWNS** are promptly paid, what the better be enabled to maintain the magazine at its present size, sixty-four pages. We need every cent owing to us to meet the expenses of publication. Our magazine

ought to be self-supporting, but it is not, nor would it be were there no subscriptions in arrears. The receipts have to be supplemented every year with a considerable grant from headquarters, in order to pay the expenses. Our subscribers will, therefore, see how manifestly it is their duty to pay what they owe and keep out of our debt in the future. "Shell out! shell out!" as the boys shout on Halloween, which in good, plain English means "pay!"

LORD HORATIO HERRERT

**The Hero** KITCHENER, in command of the *Home* of the British forces in Egypt, is justly famed as the most successful warrior of to-day. He is the hero of the hour, and the fame of his exploits has shed an unfading lustre upon British arms. The prestige of his extraordinary victory imparts a weight to British diplomacy that will be felt for many a day, for is not Kitchener a British general? Shrewd, calculating, expert in the planning of a campaign, a man of infinite detail, he has shown that he knows how and when to strike the blow that shall cripple or crush his adversary. He does not believe in temporizing or juggling with the situation. Prolonging a campaign by ineffective tactics, and deferring the hour of contact with the enemy, is too often disastrous to a compact body in a hostile country far from the seaboard, for thus an opportunity is afforded to the enemy to amass his strength and harass such an army until it is dispirited and weakened, and unfit to meet all its force and impetus at the critical moment. What another campaign for we had made a long, tedious war. General Kitchener has by a single campaign done what our generals could not do, and has won a victory which will be a lesson to all.