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We are indepted to the 8th Middlesex Regiment for permission to adopt their soubriquet. The following is a copy of the letter we have received from them.

"With reference to your letter of the 22nd
"instant addressed to the Col.1/c Records,
"Hounslow: there is no objection to the 3th
"Marylepone Troop Boy Scouts assuming the
"scubriquet of the "Diehards".

SCOUTIASTER'S INTRODUCTION.

It is with a peculiar mixed feeling of pleasure and pain that I pen my first message as Scoutmaster of the newly-born oth Marylebone Troop Boy Scouts. Pleasure - because of the wonderful loyalty and initiative displayed by the Troop: Pain - because the fulfilment of our desires, and the maintenance of our principles have caused an irrevocable split from some of our former comrades.

The circumstances which governed our actions are quite well known in the neighbourhood, and no purpose would be served by re-introducing the topic. We have passed through a period of trouble and anxiety, and have emerged from the struggle free and unfettered, and yet bound still tighter by the unseen chain of real friendship. If, in years to come, the history of the 3th is ever written, it may be brought to light, and several little mysteries, such as the startling attitude of one or two individuals, at present unfathomable, may be solved.

And now, as to the future. After serving several years with one troop, as so many of us have done, it is only natural that it has taken us a few weeks to really find our feet as a fresh troop in new surroundings. But we are now gradually settling down to a new lease of life which promises to be long, happy and prosperous.

There are so many different matters to talk about that it is difficult to know where to begin. First, perhaps, we cought to turn our attention to finance. Even our youngest Cub will realise that if we are to be a successful Troop and Pack from a practical point of view, we have got to get some stores, and stores are not forthcoming without noney. The following are only a few of the essential articles we must have soon:
Colours, Trek-cart, Stretcher and First Aid Kit, Tents, Gamp Utensils (Dixies, Lanterns, Axes, Spades, etc.,) Signalling Apparatus, Rope, Staves, Boxing Gloves, Singlesticks, etc.
Some kind friends have already presented us with our Troop and Fack Colours (a Church service for their consecration will be arranged shortly), while on another page you will find a list of other donations and stores sent by some of our well wishers.

Thanks to the energy of several scouts and friends, our funds, which two months ago were "Mil" now amount to over 220 gross; of this figure a large proportion is due to our Carol Singing Expedition, the result of which, financially and otherwise, exceeded expectations. The Perfume Card campaign has been a stupendous success, and we already are on the third thousand.

The Stop Watch Competition has been met with instant popularity while Miss Gladys Davies' raffle, and various donations, have all helped to swell our fund which will be increased by the proceeds of a Concert and Whist Drive to be given shortly.

Turning to active scouting, we find that there are several things to keep us going. Almost the whole Troop has now repassed the Tenderfoot Badge and are well on with the 2nd Class Tests. Proficiency Badges will soon regain their importance. The Gymnasium Class (thanks to our good fortune in securing the services of a first class Instructor) already become a regular feature, and we shall soon be spending alternate Saturdays on the Heath. Arrangements are being made for a series of week-end camps as soon as climate permits, while the Summer Camp, although a long way off, is already engaging our attention. The Association Sports and Gala, and the Jamboree in September, will all claim their share of our time, and it must not be forgotten that our Troop Display is one of our early ambitions.

Looking around, it is quite obvious that slackness must find no place in our programme. Apart from finance and stores, our first aim must be to recruit for the Pack, from which the future troop will be fed. Each scout must become a recruiting sergeant.

With the permission of the Middlesex Regiment, we are assuming the cobriquet of the "Dienards". Let us see to it that we live up to that name, putting the troop before self in all things. Even Crieket and Football, good sports that they are, must give way to Scouting when occasion demands.

I cannot close my remarks without wishing you, and one and all, a most Happy and Prosperous New Year. To our scouts I personally owe a deep debt of gratitude for their timely loyalty and devotion, while to our many friends we owe our heartfelt appreciation for their practical sympathy during a time that has been grave and troublesome. Words are but poor echoes of our thoughts, but, believe me, our thoughts are unanimous and magnanimous in their sincerity.

Leslie J.Kirby, S.M.

HAVE YOU SEEN PAGE 11 ?

DO NOT MISS IT !

ROLL UP IN YOUR HUNDREDS.

OUR GRAND CONCERT.

By one of the Emmanuel Cricket Club.

In spite of various rumours to the contrary, circulated either by accident or design, our Concert was held, and although this fact may be a matter of regret for a certain few, it was one of great satisfaction to the Club, and, we hope, to all who were present.

When the time arrived, and whilst we waited for the "Band of Hope" to disband, the audience began to congregate outside the Hall in large numbers. Once inside the room, there were willing hands to accomplish the many tasks necessary in arranging the Hall, but the audience swarmed in before we had half finished. By the time the curtains parted, the Hall was full, with the exception of a few vacant seats which were subsequently filled.

The actual programme was a great success from start to finish, the Artists at various periods outshining some of our best known musical hall stars. It would cover dozens of pages if I described every item fully, therefore, I must condense my remarks. The concerted songs were well rendered, the most popular being "Wi Ki Jalla Walla", the strains of which are still to be heard in our locality. Peggy and Cyril in "ow are yer" and the encore, were lifelike costers, and must have taken lessons in Petticoat Lane. In any case, they have both missed their vocation. Messrs Alan Forbes, Tenor, and George Walters, Baritone, were equally successful in helping to give the audience full value for their money. The singing of Miss Gwen Mabs, Soprano, was greatly appreciated by all, whilst Mr. Huws Thomas in his song "Friend" certainly deserved the applause he received. Miss Dot Gordon and Mr. John Llewellyn throughout the evening obtained as much music out of the piano as was possible, the former also sang "Margie" delightfully, and was heartily applauded. Mr. Llewellyn in "Music, Muddle and Medley" was a great success, but we consider "Mystery" would have been an appropriate addition to the title. "Thoughtreading" also was a humorous item, and made even the most solemn of us laugh. The programme ended with a play entitled "Harmonious House Munting", the actors of which played their parts extremely well. I am confident that everyone present at the Concert will agree that it was a really grand programme.

In spite of the brilliance of the wit displayed by members of the Concert Party, the most humorous items of the evening were undoubtedly the eloquent speeches delivered by our Captain and Secretary during the interval. It is true they were criticised, but the speakers certainly deserved praise for their humour. One Inquisitive individual wanted to know if the speeches were some of

THE SCOUTS' PROMISE by Major Purcell.

1. Peter 2. 17.

"Honour all men. Love the Brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King."

This passage might very well be the text from which the Scouts' Promise could have been taken, the threefold character of which may be expressed by the following three words:

Activity, Unselfishness, Obedience.

- 1. Acticity. "To do my duty to God and the King". "Fear God, Honour the King" is here laid down as an apostolic command. God first, and then the King as supreme. Sometimes the king is spoken of as a figure head, but he is not honoured if only so considered. A similar irreverence may be shewn to the Creator if He is regarded merely as an Infulence, and not a person. Belief in the Personality of God isessential if there is to be any faith in Him. The same applies to the King. No opportunity should, therefore, I think, be missed of seeing his Majesty, if such affords itself in the path of one's duty; and that word "Duty" is capable of so much application and so much misunderstanding, but it only means in Carlyle's words -"Do the thing that lies nearest to you." This must be regardless of personal preference. Do duty. Put the accent on the word "Do", just as, when you say in the Lord's Prayer, "Thy Will be done", you should emphasise "Done". This makes all the difference between "Activity" and mere "Acquiescence". Don't just "grin and bear" a thing - see it through - "Do" it to the end, even though it be a "Bitter end".
- 2. Unselfishness. "To help other people at all times". This is honouring all men. It is the other man who must be considered always, notme. Unselfishness is selflessness.
- 5. Obedience. To obey the Scout Law. This is loving the brotherhood. Chedience must be mastered before ever command can be attained. The details of the Scout Law involve ten things, viz., Honour, Loyalty, Helpfulness, Friendliness, Chivalry, Kindness, Obedience, Vheerfulness, Thrift, Cleanliness, and these each afford subject matter for a brief article which the writer hopes to contribute month by month to the "Dienard".

H.E.L. Purcell. Diocesan Reader.

Rudyard Kipling's latest and why they did not rhyme. With the exception of these critics I am sure everyone present thoroughly enjoyed listening to these budding orators.

I, on behalf of the Emmanuel Cricket Club, should again like to take this opportunity of thanking all those people who displayed our bills in their windows with such splendid effect.

It was unfortunate that we were unable to have footlights, but we are all aware of the hard and fast regulations of Fire Insurance Companies. Smoking was not allowed. Here again was the danger of fire, but I might point out that although all possible precautions were taken, things became a trifle warm in more ways than one! Our profits from the Concert amount to just under 214, for which we are greatly indebted to the Dandies Concert Party, whom we thank whole heartedly. I feel sure that all who attended the Concert will make sure of being present at any future performance given by these worthy heroes.

We are now looking forward to the Cricket season, with every hope of success. ----

THE CENOTAPH PARADE.

On Sunday, November 13th, 1921, the Troop made their first public appearance, when they accompanied the Association to the Cenotaph, to lay a wreath in honour of our Brother Scouts who were 'Brepared'. Although, "Officially" we were not scouts, we felt it our bounden duty to attend, specially as the whole suggestion came from one of our number.

Leaving Capland Street School at 2.30.pm., we proceeded to Bryanston Square, where we joined the Association. The roll of each Troop was then taken, and we were surprised to find that we had the largest number on parade. We marched via Hyde Park Constitution Hill, The Hall, Admiralty Arch and Whitehall, finally reaching the Cenotaph, where amidst a great crowd we honoured our Dead. Rover Baker of the 2nd Troop was the chosen scout to lay the wreath, which was in the form of the Fleur-de-Lis, and made of yellow chrysenthemums. Each Troop marched passed and made a short halt with their eyes turned to the right in salutation. We returned via Regent Street to Cavendish Square where the parade dismissed:

"Parader".

STH MARYLEBONE TROOP BOY SCOUTS.

The Troop Headquarters has been established at Capland Street L.C.C. School (Infants Hall), N.W.S., and is open for recruits on Thursday and Friday evenings from 6.30 to 9.30. The first general troop meeting was held on the 18th November last, when Officers were elected and regulations drawn up. It was decided that the Court of Honour should consist of Warrant Officers, Patrol Leaders, Secretary, Treasurer, and Quarter Haster. All troop property is vested in the Court. Lach scout should have received a copy of the regulations. A Finance Committee has been appointed, consisting of Hrs Hampton, ir Johns and Mr B.Grimes, and six senior scouts.

. There are 34 active scouts in the Troop (excluding officers and honorary members) divided into two senior and two junior patrols. Mext month the full list of scouts and patrols will be published. Record of attendances at meetings will be kept by Patrol Leaders, and weekly subscriptions, (seniors 2d. and juniors 1dX will be paid.

An Editorial Staff has been elected to conduct the Troop Magazine, and various scouts have been appointed to superintend such branches as, recruiting, library, badges, finance and recreation. A list of officials will appear next month.

In order to raise funds for the troop, several scouts and friends took part in a Carol Singing Expedition at Xmas, . when £12.7.0. was raised. A list of singers appears elsewhere in this issue. The Perfume Card and Stop-Watch Competition are being organised by P.L. Kirby and Second Bensted, respectively. The Troop Social will be held on 15th January, the Troop Concert 27th January, and the Whist Drive. on the 11th February.

The following donations and gifts were acknowledged with thanks :-

Miss G. Davies 21; Mr B. Grimes 10/-; Miss E. Kirby 5/-; Anon 10/ir G. Bland 5/-; - Lir Alan Forbes 5/-; Mrs Hampton 2/6d; Anon 2/6d; lirs Mirby, Troop Colours; Mrs Scates, Colour Holders; hrs Cardor, Colour Sashes; Hrs Johns, Pack Colours; Mr C. Thompson, Boxing Gloves; Mr.J.E. Andrew, Boxing Gloves; Mr A. Williams, Lantern; Mr G. Bland, Union Jack and Signalling Flags.

STOP PRESS :- The Troop has now been officially registered as the 8th Marylebone.

L.J.K.

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WHARMCLIFFE ARGYLE FOOTBALL CLUB.

The Club came into existence in the second week of June 1921 with about nine members, mostly all old Capland Street Boys.

Our first match was played in October, when we defeated Marlboro' F.C. by 6-3, also winning the return 4-0. The Marlboro' Football Glub has since been amalgamated with us forming the majority of our present "B" team players. "E" team forming the majority of our present "B" team players. It is sadly in need of fixtures, and also one or two players. For full particulars application should be made to E.Pritchard, For full particulars application should be made to E.Pritchard, or H.Bland, 327 and 359, Wharncliffe Gardens, N.W.d. respectively.

The Blub is managed by a Committee of five playing members, which deals with all matters connected with the Glub. We have recently acquired a club room where our members play Billiards, Cards etc. on Club nights.

A concert recently given by the "Dandies" on our behalf was a great success, the Club materially benefiting thereby.

We had a rather heavy Christmas programme, playing the Junior Imperial Clapham F.C. on Saturday, the 24th, winning by 4-1; Soxing Day defeating St.George's Guiki hall by 2-0; and meeting with our first defeat on Bank Holiday, losing to Hampatead Y.H.C.A. 2-1. It should be mentioned that in the Honday match we were forced to play one man short, and on Tuesday could only turn out nine men, and I think on the run of the play we really deserved to win. On New Year's eve we met our second defeat, losing to Portland Town 1-0, avenging it the following week by winning 2-1. On January 14th, we were successful against Regent Athletic to the tune of 3-1.

Results and goal scorers to date :-

Played. Won. Drawn. Lost. Goals for. Goals against.

Weatherley 14. Biddle G. 8. Joby 5. Chorley 3. Biddle A. 2. Brooks 2. D'Arcy 1. Anderson 1.

"Corner Flag".

PAIROL LEADERS! REPORTS.

KANGAROOS.

Just before Xmas the Patrol passed the Tenderfoot tests again. I must admit that one or two of us had forgotten some of the knots.

We have now eight members, at least six of whom can be depended upon to turn out on parades. We thought had a new recruit, but he only turned up once. We are hoping to see him again.

Sec.E.Mason,
for P.L. L.Thompson.

RAVENS.

fail, but the Arvens still "carry on". I regret to say that P.L. Shith has resigned, and fecuts Daniel and Galvin have remained at the Emmanuel Drill Hall. The new needers are leasts J.Carter, b.Deates and m.Davies, each having at least five years service to his credit. There is still room for improvement as regards parades at the heath, but now that 1922 has made its appearance, we all mean to make a move forward, and then we shall be the best Patrol in the best Troop in harylebone.

V. Mirby, P.L.

EUFFALOS:

They have all passed their tenderfoot test, except the two cubs who have not passed their scout law yet. They have all turned up fairly regularly, except in the case of illness.

I am coing to try and get them all to pass their

second class before the Display if there is the. The Display will soon be here, and I expect our subject will be carrentering that is if we have to illustrate the different things the scout learns.

T. Bangs, P.L.

duditoos.

The Patrol is quite satisfactory, and welcomes one recruit. Attendance is fairly regular. There have been no alterations in the Patrol, and we are quite satisfied with the new Headquarters.

5. Long, F.L.

CAROL SINGERS.

Irs Hampton, Mirby, Johns, Misses G. Johns, E. Frame,
I. marvey, N. & G. Willoughby, M. Humb, M. Mnowlson, D. Wright, "Regs",
M. Lewin, G. Davies, C. Evans, T. Humphreys, V. Buckingham, Summers, Breedon,
Hughes. Messrs B. Jerkin, W. & F. Breedon, A. & B. Grimes, J. Pritchard,
E. F. & G. Hampton, G. Hampton, M. Humb, W. Barton, T. Martin, J. Evans,
L. & G. Scates, G. Lewin, R. Andrew, G. Webb, L. Pritchard, J. & E. Mason,
L. Brown, G. Bensted, T. Wolls, W. Lovers, H. Bland, L. Thompson,
B. Lamott, W. W. & R. Hervey, Mr. & J. Tryant, G. L. & V. Mirby, L. & T. Johns.

As I take up my pen to write this page, my thoughts fly back to the time I last wrote a Gubs page. That was in the days when we worked under a different number and command, and everyone was happy, or at least seemed to be. At that grand meeting, a few weeks before the crash, we all resolved to enter the winter with good Scout and Gub spirit, and push Scouting and Gubbing more into our midst than it had ever been before. It made one feel pleased to belong to such a grand organisation, but that quick and calm was like that before a storm for it was certainly a storm which followed, but as those dark days have passed away, and most of our readers know all that happened, we will leave the past, as a small cloud getting smaller as the days go on.

Here we are now with a New Year just commenced, fine Headquarters, and some good cubs to form the backbone of what we hope will be the finest in Marylebone. We now want recruits, and we shall be deeply grateful to any one who can send a recruit to us.

We have not entered for the Cubs Football Championship this year, as we were late starting, but we hope to put a Cricket team into the field with the rest of the Marylchone Packs. At present we are re-passing all the cubs in any stars and badges previously gained, and thus insuring a well informed Pack to help others who we hope will join us in the near future.

It might be as well to put in a few words explaining the objects of Cubbing. As most boys could not understand scouting enough to enjoy it properly until they were about eleven or twelve years old, the Chief Scout introduced "Cubs", and named them thus, because, like young wolves, they have to prepare themselves to look after themselves when they are older. That is the real object of Scouting and Cubbing, to prepare boys for their future life, and to bring them up straightforward and sober in all things, except laughing. We are not kill-joys, in fact, we have amongst our members several who could keep an owl laughing for half an hour.

We are hoping for a real good year's work this year, and with the help of some of the senior Scouts, who have offered to do all they can, I am sure we shall. The following are the ranks which have been awarded after a very careful consideration.

Pact Leader and Sixer, W.H. Wakefield; Sixer, F. Breedon; Becond, E. Russell; Second, F. Funnell.

Cubs Page. (Contd).

This page, being our first, does not deal much with actual Gubbing, but as we go on, it will, and in closing, I must thank, whole heartedly, everyone who has helped us, and stood by us when that small speck, which is quickly disappearing, was a large black cloud over our heads.

Now for a good Year. Good luck to you Cubs! We have hard work to do, and I know you will "Do Your Best".

Gub donations, etc., will be acknowledged in the next issue.

Oubmaster.

'ERE'S SOLE GOOD 'UNG.

Why is an urn like a soldier? Because it stands at teas (at ease).

Why is the letter C like a generous fairy? Because it converts ash into CASH.

How would you measure your lover's sincerity? By his sighs (size).

Why is the sun like a good loaf? Because it is light when it rises.

ROLL UP:

ROLL IIP!

ROLL UP!

THE DANDIES CONCERT PARTY,

will give a Concert in aid of the Funds of the 3th Marylebone Troop Boy Scouts

in

The Swedish Hall, Harcourt Street, Marylebone Rd.,

January 27th, 192%, commencing at 8.pm.

Tickets 2/- and 1/- can be obtained from any scout.

EDITORIAL.

peparting from the usual custom, this matter is not intended to be introductory. Rather than announce our publication in terms gilded with beautiful metaphor and rich promises, we prefer to submit what we consider the best promises, we prefer to submit what we consider the best promises, we shall lose none by our failure to friends by promises, we shall lose none by our failure to fulfil them. We consider this the wisest course, having noted the deplorable failure of a contemporary publication in this respect. It is not for us to criticise, however, especially at this stage, even though we are as a Troop, the victims. It may, of course, be the result of inexperience, so we will assume that such is the case and try to dismiss this matter from our minds. Our decision with regard to promises forms no barrier to a statement of our intentions.

Our first aim is to make our Magazine equally as interesting to our friends outside the Troop as to those within, not, however, at the expense of the latter, but by publishing matter of mutual interest.

The great game of Scouting embraces all sports and all hobbies, and, therefore, provides us with an unlimited store to draw upon. For this reason we invite all our friends to become, not only subscribers, but contributors. We are certain that among our friends are many who have some particular hobby, and would really like to voice their enthusiasm. Where is there a better opportunity? You may be sure that such articles or series would be greatly appreciated. If you like to write under a "Nom de plume", we have no objection. Several of our old friends have promised to help us.

reached this page after reading all the previous articles. If such is the case, you will have seen that our attentions are not confined to Troop matters alone, but items of general interest. We know Major Purcell's articles are appreciated and we hope to publish a series of them, which the author has kindly promised to contribute. We also hope to include in our next number, a report on our first social.

Even Troop Magazines must be financed, and we heartily thank our friends who have appreciated this important fact, and forwarded their annual subscriptions, also those from whom we have received donations; which our Treasurer begs to acknowledge herewith:

Mr. Willoughby 3/-; Mrs. Willoughby 2/6d; Mr.A.H. Merton 2/6d; Mr. Every 2/-; Anon 21.