

Scout Masters Wanted ; Lads are Keen to Enlist

Boy Scouts Movement Makes Some
Rapid Progress in
Toronto.

GOSSIP OF THE MILITARY

What Gen. Baden-Powell's Idea Is
—Work in Far-Away
Countries

Already the **Boy Scout** movement in Toronto is off to a good start.

The meeting of the representative citizens the other night gave a decided impetus to the movement. Many requests for information have reached Mr. John S. Campbell, the secretary, 29 Temperance street. Toronto is not the first city to take up the movement seriously. Vancouver beat us out. But the Queen City is going to be a good second, apparently.

Scouts offer themselves for enrolment faster than official leaders can be found. The Council will meet early and often to decide on such questions of organization as shall come up.

In the meantime No. 1 Toronto Troop, which has been established for some time under the direction of Scout Master Corliss, is getting along well in its training. Four or five lads of the troop are taking in the signal class at the Armouries.

Some General Information.

Ideas, Fads and Frills

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Military Men You Know Of

MOBILITY—I tell you, what we need in our fellows to-day is mobility. Its all very well learning 'em to ride well and shoot straight, but with all that they've got to have mobility."

If, in a visit to the Canadian Military Institute, the Toronto Club, or some other gathering place of militia officers, you come across a medium-sized, dark man, with a waxed moustache, and a theme to the above effect, it is safe guessing that the gentleman is Lieut.-Col. William Hamilton Merritt, R.O., late commanding officer, of the Governor-General's Body Guard, and thrice president of the Institute.

You may call it an idea. Some call it a fad. Whatever it is, the Colonel has spent a great deal of time and thought, and much of his private means, in trying to impress it upon the reforming agencies of the British Army. His pet theory for all the disasters to the British arms for a century is lack of mobility. Says he, there's been too much trust in the convoy and not enough in the individual powers of locomotion, and