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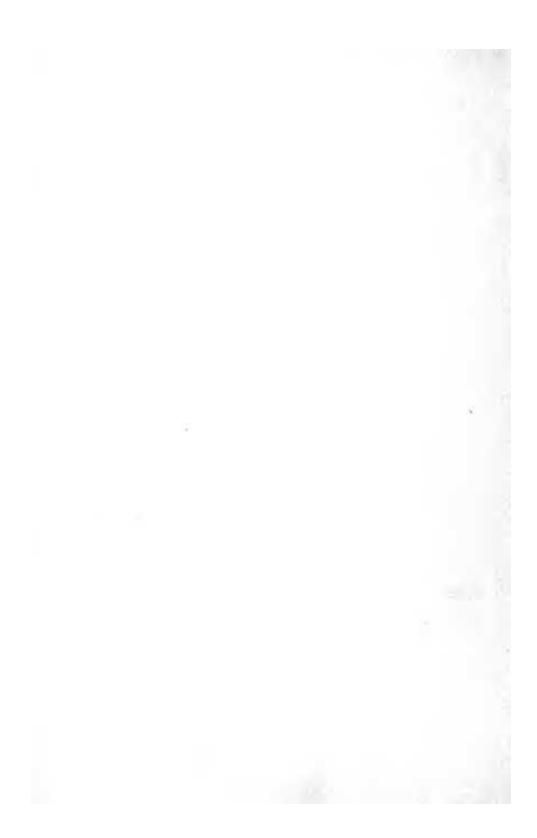
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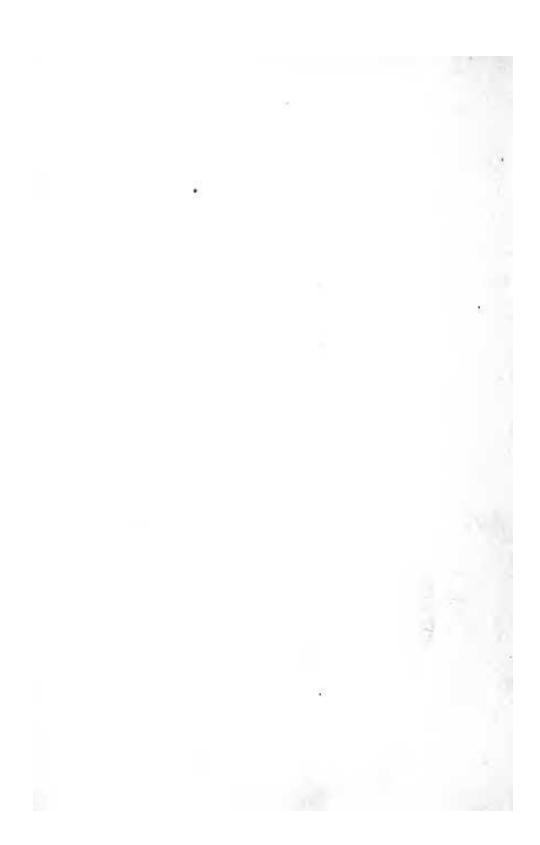
PENTWALL

THE word "Pentwall" is not in the dictionary. Actually it has no meaning. But I thought it might tickle your curiosity.

If I headed this page as "Preface" probably you would not read it. Few people read Prefaces.

But I want to save you from having to wade through this book in order to find out what it is about. So I tell you, here and now, that it records incidents and impressions of my recent trip round Africa, and that one of its objects is to encourage people—especially Scouts and other young creatures—to travel. You see, life is short; yet much of it is wasted by people becoming vegetables, and not very satisfied or satisfactory vegetables at that. Whereas a little roaming about this wonderful globe while they are on it can give them that wider outlook and those greater sympathies which develop the soul in the individual and goodwill and peace in the world.

Knowing this of the book, you can now take it or leave it.



OFF TO AFRICA

WELL, here I am, off again overseas! I have only been home for about two months from Australia and Canada, and now I am starting off to visit Scouts in East Africa—that is, in Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika.

Look at the map, see where they are, and come with me—in imagination. I will tell you, as we go along, what they are like, what sort of people I meet, and something about the wild animals there. When I was in those parts before, I used to go out shooting them, and I hope to do so again this time, but I shall be using a movie camera for the job instead of a rifle.

SMOKELESS EAST LONDON

When East Africa has had enough of me I shall go on to East London, not the smoke-begrimed, crowded East End of London in England, but the sunny, seaside city in South Africa. That is where the Boy Scouts of all the South African Provinces are going to assemble in a Jamboree camp, early in January.

Then I shall trot up to Rhodesia, where in old days I saw a good deal of fighting with Matabele

