THE "TAKITEZE" DANCE.

Of the Twenty-fifth of May, Read, for I a story bring, When to conquest swift, they say, Set forth those of whom I sing, And their badges and their shoes sparkling shone;

For each sought a maiden's heart,

And each swore he'd do his part, And the "Noncoms" from the start,

Led them on.

Hit they then the polished floor, Where the battles to the "smooth",

Till the number of two score, Chafing in their leashed love, Stood around and foolish looked at the moon;

While the maidens, loitering

Wondered why they looked so queer.

(And each lovely dimpled Dear, Found out soon).

Oh! Girls! we're sorry you couldn't have seen verse No. iii, but the Censor,—ding bust his eyes! simply said,—
"NO"!!!

Oh, the steps and oh, the dips! Oh, the graceful wriggling glides!

Oh, the handsprings, snap-ups, flips,

Couples curving from all sides! While the orchestra all "orched" at their best;

Then the ice-cream and the pop, Little cakes with jam on top,

Just as much as they could cop, For each guest.

Finally the long walk back, In the lovely scented night, Past the Yacht Club "orchestra", Putting up his game, lone fight,-

Yes, your "Takiteze Club" filled the bill;

And when war-times past have rolled,

Still the story will be told Of our opening night in old Iberville.

(After reading the above,—particularly the passages between the lines,—we deeply regret that we have never had the privilege of being present at a "Takiteze" celebration. If the members dance as well as they versify, we feel that we have missed something.)

Get a copy of "Knots and Lashings" to send to the folks back home. You may be sure they will be glad to get it. The postage is one cent.



ADVANTAGES OF A LAST LEAVE.

Confessions of officers and men who have from time to time returned from their last leave, with remorseful regret at their lack of properly equipped kits, has prompted some suggestions. It is, therefore, hoped that experience will not be relied upon altogether, but that the tear stained faces, and drawn countenances of others we have seen, will act as an incentive to more youthful members of the Depot before their de-

At all times we are led to believe that there is a reason for everything military, without exception, -and so why not include last leave among the other concessions? Of course, gentle reader, you know as well as I, what a glorious opportunity it is, to allow a free expansion of those aesthetic ideals which so often lead one, in company with a chosen soulmate, witness, and minister, to the church and altar. Others, of a more care-free nature, fin dsolace and joy in the quiet companionship of an ice cold bottle and chickens. But, after all, these are only misconceptions and a seeming waste of time and energy, for the real reason of last leave is to provide for the purchase of kit. The soldier who hopes to ever rise to any degree of social prominence in the army, must use painstaking

First, and foremost, see that your manicure set is complete in every detail. Have an ample supply of emery boards and nail polish, for you will find these essentials are difficult to procure among the rank and file of your associates.

Remember, too, that ordinary water may be chlorinated to such an extent, as to be pungent, and to provide yourself with some toilette water, such as C. P. Co., which is recommended because of the yards of scent it dispels and its lasting qualities. After shaving, you will require the fragrance of a quiet and unassuming lilac bath by the roadside, which may be very well accomplished by the inclusion of either Mary Garden perfume, in doses of not less than one ounce, or a good powder such as Djer Kiss. Some day you may be told that your picture will be taken for 'The Standard' and to look your own true self, military brushes may be included, even though never used on other occasions.

Many other small articles will undoubtedly be visible to your gaze, when you visit your favorite beauty parlour, and, though not enumerated here, you should not hesitate about selecting them all.

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