asked the question. In the plenitude of his innocence he would, no doubt, poohpooh the suggestion that the bulk of it is provided by the Volunteers themselves, who pool their money and shoot for it, getting back, roughly speaking, twothirds of it in the "handsome rewards" he mentions so glibly. The Tit Bits writer imparts a lot of information which will be interesting and instructive to our readers, so perhaps they won't mind having it at second-hand. We are told that the best men go to Bisley at hte expense of their corps, and, that during the spring and summer, competitions are held throughout the country for the purpose of selecting representatives for the International Meeting, and as the prizes awarded are sufficient to pay entry-money and other expenses at Bisley, the cash won there is clar prodit to the successful shots. Could anything be more nonsensical than the foregoing? In spite of some statistics quotea by our contemporary, who omits to mention names, we should like to know how many competito s except the Queen's Prizeman and those well up in his track the winner of the Prince of Wales's Prize, and just here and there another, who really share in the "profits of rifle shooting"? We can scarcely realise anybody pursuing rifle shooting with the idea of making it pay. He who had the temerity to start on a shooting career with this object would very soon find the scales taken from his eyes. On the other hand we can readily understand men taking up the tifle as a means of obtaining sport, for which they are quite willing to pay. The caviller at rifle shooting and rifle shots has seldon: the nous to differentiate from the man who tries to shoot for profitthere are no doubt a few such-and the man who shoots for sport, but, generally, in his crass ignorance, dubs all alike pothunters.

## MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

Headquarters, Ottawa, 15th Sept., 1893. G. O. 58. Royal M litary College of Canada, Military Staff: Lts. Philip Geoffrey Twining, Royal Engineers, and Arthur Hamilton Lee, Royal Artillery, lately appointed to the staff of the Royal Military College, have arrived at Kingston and been taken on the strength of the establishment.

G. O. 59. Royal Military College of Canada. Admission as cadete.

The undermentioned gentlemen having passed their examination, and the headquarters Board of Examiners having certified to that effect, their admission as cadets to the Royal Military College of Canada is approved:

Name and Residence. Marks. Henry Seymour Tobin, Ottawa - 4770 Frederick Percy Armstrong, Mont-

real - - - - 4747 Frederick Cunningham Denison, To-

ronto - - - - - - 2381 Lionel Gorden Bennett, Halifax - 2191 G. O. 60. Active Militia. Promotions, appointments and retirements. Cavalry-

2nd Dragoons, O .- "A" Troop, St. Catharines.-The promotion of Sergeant J. B. Lampman is to a 2nd lieutenancy, and not as stated in G. O. 38 of 2nd June, 1898.

Queen's Own Canadian Hussars, Q.—To be surgeon: Charles Edward Elliott, M. D., vice Henry Russell, M. D., resigned.

Infantry and Rifles .- 10th Battalion, "Royal Grenadiers," O.—To be lieutenant: 2nd Lieutenant James Grayson Smith, R. S. I. 2nd Lieutenant John Troughton Thompson retires from the servic e.

15th Battalion, "Argyle Light Infantry," O .- To be 2nd lieutenant, provisionally: William Andrew Lott, Gentleman. 32nd "Bruce" Battalion, O.-No. 4 Company, Paisley.-To be captain: Lt. John Nelson, R.S.I. (2nd A.)

34th "Ontario" Battalion, O .- No. 5 Company, Uxbridge.-To be captain: Lt. Joseph William Spence.

35th Battalion of Infantry, "Simcoe Foresters,' O.-No. 1 Company, Barrie.-To be lieutenant: 2nd Lt.Bertram; Holford Ardagh, R.S.I.

No. 6 Company, Huntsville.-2nd Lt. Charles Notman Chapman retires from the service.

38th Battaliou, "Dufferin Rifles of Canada," Brantford, O .- To be lieutenant: 2nd Lt. Ernest Charles Ashton, R.S.I.

51st Battalion "Hemmingford Rangers," Q.-Asst. Surgeon Alfred Poole, M. D., having left limits, retires from the service.

52ud "Brome" Battalion, Q.-No. 3 Company, Mansonville.—To be captain: 2nd Lieut. Charles Chester Dyer, R. S. I.

68th Battalion "King's County," N. S. No. 3 Company, Kentville.-Lieut. James Fletcher Neary retires from the service.

75th "Lunenburg" Battalion of Infantry, N. S.-No. 1 Company, Lunenburg. -To be lieutenant: 2nd Lieut. Samuel Edward Mack, R.S.I. (1st B.)

To be 2nd lieutenant: Sgt. Titus Alvin Mulock, R.S.I. (1st B.)

No. 4 Company, Mahone Bay.-2nd Lt. Allen Baker having left limits, his name is remov d from the list of officers of the Active Militia.

82nd "Queen's County" Battalion of Infantry, P. E. I.-No. 1 Company, Charlottetown Royalty.-To be 2nd lieutenant provisionally: Corporal James Malcolm Jones.

87th Battalion, "Quebec County," Q .-Company, St. Ambroise.-To be 2nd lieutenant, provisionally: Corporal Arthur Blondeau.

93rd "Cumberland" Battalion of Infantry, N. S .- No. 2 Company, Spring Hill. -To be captain, from 1st Sept., 1893: 2nd Lieut. William Letcher, R.S.I.

To be lieutenant, from 1st Sept., 1893: 2nd Lieut. Herbert Stonehouse, R.S.I.

No. 3 Company, Maccan and River Herbert .- To be 2nd lieutenant : Rufus Seaman Carter, R.S.I. (2nd A.)

Confirmation of Rank-

Lt. Albert Edward Carpenter, R. S. I. (Long Course), Royal Regiment Canadian Infantry; from 8rd June, 1898.

Lt. Neil Ferguson MacNachtan, R. S. A., Cobourg Company Artillery; from 5th August, 1898.

Lieut. George William Marsereau, R. S. I., No. 4 Company, 78rd Battalion; from 28rd August, 1898.

2nd Lieut. Edmund Alexander MacNach-

tan, R. S. A., Cobourg Company Artilles ry; from 5th August, 1893.

2nd Lieut. John McCrae, R. S. A., No. 2 Battery, 1st Brigade Field Artillery; from 9th August, 1893. 2nd Lieut. Arthur Flower March. R. S. C., "G" Troop, 8th Husrars, from 20th August 1893.

Note.—The confirmation of rank dated 24th June, 1898, of 2nd Lieut. A. F. March, 8th Husbars, notified in G. O. 47 of 28th July, 1893, is cancelled.

Rank, Name and Corps.	Class.	Course.	Grade.
CAVALRY.  Ind Lieut. A. F. March, 8th Hu:sars.  ARTILLERY.	1	s	A
Lieut. N. F. Mac Nachtan, Cobourg Co. 2nd Lieut. J. McCrae, 1st Brig. F. A. do E. A. McNachtan, Cobourg Co. Act. Bomb. A, Lyndon, "B" R.C.A.	1 1	80 P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P	A A B
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Note.-The Special Course Certificate, dated 24th June, 1893, from the Royal School of Cavalry, granted to 2nd Lt. A. F. March, 8th Hussars, is cancelled.

## A Boat-Service Adventure.

By an English Lieutenant.

: Rather more than three years ago I was seaving as sub-lieutenant on board H.M. S.—, at that time engaged, with the rest of the British and German men-ofwar in those waters, in the blockade of the east coast of Africa. This blockade was the result of a sort of compromise. The British wished—as they always wished-to put down the slave trade, and the Gremans to prevent the sale of arms to the mative inhabitants of their new colonies. So the two admirals arranged to join forces, and declared a joint blockade of all vessels trading in arms or slaves. Of course there were other niceties in the agreement; but that was the gist of it.

To carry out the blockade effectually, each ship was allotted a station, for which she became responsible. H. M. S. - was ordered to take charge of the island of Pemba, which although not, properly speaking, a part of the coast, or even fringing it—there being a channel of half a day's run between them-had nevertheless been included in the blockade. Pemba is the first or northernmost of the three Arab islands, Pemba, Zanzibar and Mafia, and was then under the rule of the Sultan of Zanzibar; but this rule was far more nominal than real, practically it was parcelled out among rich Arab families, the heads of which were almost independent chiefs or perhaps it would be more correct to say independent merchant princes, for taking into consideration that Pemba has so far had no European capital or European enterprise to help it, its commerce is very creditable, and is all in the hands of these feudal Arabs, who own not only plantations-cloves, sugar, etc.-but mercantile fleets to transport their produce. And-and it is here that there is a certain 'coolness' between these gen-