



No. 5 AT SPORT.

LAST summer newspapers all over the world featured the story of how a British company kicked a football into a German trench and followed the ball up and won the day.

Now, had old No. 5 been there, the Huns besides the football would have seen Base ball, Lacrosse, Hockey, Tennis and Cricket balls coming towards them in quick succession : for since we played all these games, we probably would have been unable to make a choice under these exciting circumstances.

In the summer of 1915 in Victoria we started in to enjoy whatever spare time we had and managed a couple of inter-company football and baseball games, and had a track meet under way when orders came to get ready to leave on the "Scandinavian". We more than held up our end in competition with 1500 other troops, in fact made a clean up in boxing, running and tug-of-war.

In England we were moved around a little too often to get settled down to any sport, but on the way out to this neck of the woods on the "Asturias", we again maintained our reputation by taking down all the prizes offered.

There was very little doing all winter, but as soon as the fields dried up around the first of March, football

was started and till the warm weather early in May, our team had turned in a record of eleven wins and three draws out of the fourteen real matches played; and there are a lot of real teams out this way too. By this time the baseball diamond had been put in good shape and of the six games played our boys were able to claim five victories. Our opponents were No. 1, No. 4 and a Canadian team from the Serbian Motor Transport.

In Lacrosse we were not able to get many outside games, but won the two we did play, namely those with No. 4 and No. 1. Nearly every week, however, the Officers played the men and there were some rattling good games.

Of course where we advertised ourselves most was in the big Field Sports we had on the first anniversary of our mobilization, May 30th. Thousands came in from neighbouring camps and from up the country, and naturally the competition was of the keenest in every single event. Despite the crowd, No. 5 won practically everything both in the single events and in team competitions. The Officers have three quite good tennis courts and the sergeants one, so they've had a lot of good fun all summer and at the same time have been able to entertain a lot of visitors thereby.

The camp is very handy to as good swimming as one could wish, and it was certainly a boon in the hot weather. In fact, some of the boys were in the water as early as the first week in March, and were still able to go in during November, so the season is a