

Tebb. Capt. Dennistoun was the next to surrender to the silken bondage. Lieutenant Hayes handed over his sword next and now Lieut. Schofield is added to the captive warriors. The great majority of the 57th officers are now happy benedicts with a very lonesome bachelor's mess left out in the cold, but, if there is anything in the novelist's claim for the force of example, we may expect *les misérables* to fall in with their benedictine brethren in arms and join the home guard. Militant matrimony is the proper thing; the wedded warriors will have new incentives to brave deeds—they will literally have homes and firesides to fight for and probably the interests of the recruiting branch of the infantry arm of the service will be promoted. Capt. Dennistoun has just returned with his handsome bride, from a trip to the Pacific Coast, whilst Lieut. Schofield and bride are still touring in the direction of the Atlantic Coast.

The Peterborough Rifle Association will hold their Annual Matches on Thursday 13th Oct., when a good prize list will be presented, and we hope to wind up a good seasons shooting. The 57th Battalion and the Rifle Association feel proud of the success of their competitors at the Dominion Matches at Ottawa, and particularly with that of Pte. Bartlett who won 1st place in the Walker Match, and also a place (9th) on the Bisley team for 1893.

QUIS SEPARABIT.

TORONTO.

One of the most enjoyable affairs held by any of the companies of the Queen's Own was the reception held by Capt. and Mrs. H. M. Pellatt at their summer residence, Victoria Beach.

Invitations were extended to the Officers and Sergeants of the regiment and to about twenty-five civilian friends mostly of those summering in the vicinity of the Park.

A special boat carried down the members of Capt. Pellatt's Company and the Buglers and Drummers under Bugle-Major Swift, the guests arriving by the regular boat about 5.30.

The time intervening between the arrival of the boat and supper was pleasantly taken up with bowls, tennis and an inspection of the premises, so delightfully situated on the high banks about six miles east of Toronto.

The supper by Webb, was furnished in his regular style, and on its conclusion the tables were cleaned and the seating capacity of the large marquee which was placed on the lawn, was filled to the utmost by the guests, who by this time were reinforced by the arrival of a later contingent, all bent on hearing what the latest efforts of the Buglers, in catering to their friends' enjoyment, was like.

It is but scant praise to say that they surpassed their previous best efforts and for an hour and a quarter kept their audience in a continual state of merriment.

After a hearty vote of thanks tendered to the host and hostess by Col. G. D. Dawson, A.D.C., and Mr. Baines, the party broke up and wended its way to where the boat was lying waiting. The pleasant moonlight in which the return to the city was made was not the least pleasant part of the evenings enjoyment.

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The death notice of the late Lt.-Col. D. D. Allan is just to hand. Deceased was afflicted with paralysis of the brain and after a lingering illness died last Monday.

Deceased is the fourth colonel of the Queen's Own to die almost within the year, the death of Lt.-Col. Arthurs being followed by Lt.-Col's Gilmour, Miller and Allan.

Lt.-Col. Otter is the only surviving colonel of the regiment, and it is to be hoped that the popular D.A.G. may long be spared to the District of which he has been such an able commander.

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The fall drill among the Toronto regiments has opened very auspiciously, the three regiments are parading very strong and each showed up extremely well on the usual parades.

The 48th band is making good progress and in a short time will be in it with the best of them. The bugle band has made wonderfully rapid strides under Bugle-Major Robinson, but it will prove a serious disadvantage to the regiment if a quicker cadence is not maintained; the cadence this season for both bands has been wretchedly slow and would handicap

the best efforts of better regiments than the 48th. A natural stride can not be obtained if it has to be about 105 paces to the minute and those twenty inch paces.

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Both the brass and bugle bands of the Queen's Own have entirely new marches, those of the brass band are excellent, but opinions differ as to any improvement between the new and the old ones of the buglers, many prefer the old timers, but perhaps this is a little prejudice and conservatism.

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At the second weekly parade of the 48th, Mr. W. R. Brock in an exceedingly happy speech, presented Corp. Muir of B Company, in the presence of the Battalion, with the medal of the Royal Humane Society of England, which he won on the night of the 24th May last, by jumping in and rescuing a man who, while under the influence of liquor, had fallen from the head of Yonge street Dock.

The medal was secured through the efforts of Capt. McGillivray, to which Company Corp. Muir belongs.

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It is rumored that the Toronto Garrison reinforced by the gallant 13th Brigade of Hamilton are going to have the old time sham fight on Thanksgiving Day, and that Major-Gen'l. Herbert will be present as Umpire in Chief. It is needless to say that the rumor is received with a great deal of enthusiasm, an overwhelming majority being of the opinion that a repetition of last year can only be borne after an interval, and an exceedingly long one at that.

"BREECHBLOCK."

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The moonlight excursion and supper of "A" Company, Royal Grenadiers, held on the 7th September, was a grand success in every respect. At eight o'clock twenty-eight file of the company marched down to the Yonge street dock and boarded the steamer Kathleen. Among the guests were:—Lieut.-Colonel Dawson, Royal Grenadiers; Captain Cameron, Captain Tasse, Quartermaster, Royal Grenadiers; Adjutant McLean, Captain Harston, Lieut. Wyatt, Queen's Own Rifles; Colonel Wayne, Chicago; Mr. Frank Risch, Lieut. Irving, and Mr. Bruce. Both bands of the regiment were present, and excellent music was furnished. After an enjoyable two hours' sail on the lake the party landed at Yonge street wharf, and marched up Yonge street to the Tremont House, where a splendid supper had been spread. About one hundred guests sat down to the supper, where, besides the music by the band, vocal and instrumental music was rendered by several members of Daniel McCarthy's Opera Company and local talent. The supper was a complimentary one given by Captain Hay of "A" Company, and the arrangements were in the hands of Secretary W. J. Wetherley, who carried them out most acceptably.

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Colour-Sergt. Simpson, of "C" Company, 48th Highlanders, has been appointed drill and gymnastic instructor at Victoria Industrial School, Mimico. Sergt. Simpson is one of the best drill instructors in the country, and should fill the position with credit.

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Old members of "K" Company, University Rifles, are to be found all over the Dominion. One of the old captains of "K" Company is Professor Cherriman, who is now living in England. Major Delamere noticed in the recently published Government Blue Book, containing statements of unclaimed bank balances, that \$60 has been standing to Professor Cherriman's credit in a bank in Toronto for nearly twenty years. He has written to the Professor, suggesting that as he does not appear to want the money it would do for a prize at the annual meeting for old "K" Company marksmen.

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Sergt. Huggins, who has been for some time in charge of the Grenadier signal corps, has gone to Hamilton to take the position of sergeant-major of the 13th Battalion and to act as drill instructor of the high schools. Sergt. Huggins is a good, smart soldier and his loss will be felt in his old regiment, but his late comrades all wish him success in his new position.