

D. A. G. of the District was acknowledged to have ranked first and was rendered in that officer's best style.

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Sergt. James Scott of the Q. O. C. H. met with a painful accident whilst at drill on the 12th instant on the Plains of Abraham. His horse fell when going about in sections of fours, the rider falling underneath; Sergt. Scott will be confined to the house for some weeks.

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The officers of the 8th R. R. have lately added a framed photo of the past and present commanding officers of the Regiment, in their room in the Drill Hall.

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Capt. E. Montizambert who proved himself to be an efficient and careful Adjutant, and one whom the Regiment have reason to be proud of, inaugurated a competition between the N. C. O's of the different companies, to be won by that Company, whose members put in the best attendance at the Adjutant's inspections, which take place before each parade. The prize offered was a box of ammunition and was won by D. Company. This was a capital idea and resulted in a marked increase in the numbers as well as in the punctuality of their attendance. All late comers were ruled out. The success attending this system will ensure its adoption next year.

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Wednesday next has been fixed for the examination of the Officers "in quarters." The questions have been received and are receiving the attention of parties concerned.

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FREDERICTON.

There has been no appointment made as yet to fill the vacant surgeoncy of the C. R. I., in this garrison. If any one is appointed, it is said that it will probably be Dr. McLaren, who is acting surgeon for the present, though it is said that Dr. Frank Brown is also an applicant for the position. There appears to be some doubt as to whether or not the government will continue the office, as Major-General Herbert is understood to be opposed to it on the ground that it is an entirely unnecessary expense.

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At a meeting of the York County Rifle Association, held on evening of 9th inst., the following were elected officers of the association for the ensuing year:—

Major Loggie, 71st, president;
Major Gordon, C. R. I., vice-president;
Lieut. McFarlane, 71st, treasurer;
Lieut. Perkins, 71st, secretary.

Committee of Management—Capt. Pinder, 71st; Sergt. Wilson, 71st; Sergt Long, C. R. I.; Sergt Burns, C. R. I., and Pte. D. Lee Babbitt, reserve.

The spoon matches will take place this year as usual, but the "old" shots are barred from carrying off any more spoons, a special aggregate prize being given them. This gives a much better chance to the younger shots, of whom there should be a larger attendance. A hut is to be built for storing away articles used on the range.

STRATFORD.

The annual meeting of the officers of the 28th Batt. was held at the Commercial hotel a few days ago. Those present were Col. McKnight, Major White, Major Hamilton, Capts. Cooke, Johnson, Moscrip, Lieuts. Shand and Johnson, Paymaster Lawrence, Quartermaster Beck, and Assistant Surgeon Ellis. The following committees were appointed: Mess committee—Major White, Major Hamilton, Capt. Moscript and Quartermaster Beck. Band committee—Assistant Surgeon Ellis, Quartermaster Beck and Paymaster Lawrence. The same regimental committee as last year was appointed. The battalion will go into camp at London on the 20th of next month.

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A military concert and drill entertainment under auspices of the 28th Batt. Band will be given in the Skating Rink on the evening of May 24th. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the Batt. band.

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The three Stratford companies are hard at drill every Thursday night and are rapidly getting into shape and will do their best to sustain, and will likely surpass their former good reputation.

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The new Rifle Ranges of the Perth Rifle Assn. will be ready for use on the 20th of this month.

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There is a strong feeling that Stratford should have a city corps. Stratford could easily maintain a battalion and a great many men who would not enlist on account of camp would join if we had a city battalion.

FORE SIGHT.

KINGSTON.

Great changes have taken place in the establishment of "A" Battery, R.C.A., in this city, a large number of non-commissioned officers and men having been drafted from the Garrison Section into the Field Divisions. Staff-Sergt. Long of "B" Battery "Field Instructor," has taken the place of Staff-Sergt Boutellier, who is now at Quebec as Gunnery Instructor to "B" Battery. The drill of the Battery here has all been changed to cavalry foot drill in both Garrison and Field Sections. The band also does drill and duty the same as the others. When the two guns come up from Quebec that will give "A" Battery a full strength of 6 guns, which will make a fine showing on parade. Major Drury left for England on the 20th to attend the opening of the Imperial Institute, after which he and Sergt. McIntyre, who accompanied him, will take a course of Artillery at some station of the R.A.; in the Major's absence Capt. Rivers takes command of the Battery, with Capt. Hudon as Adjutant. At the nine pounder R. M. L. practice of the Battery Sergt.-Major Stroud and Br. Clifford tied for first place with a score of 33 points each. Everything at the barracks is getting into fine shape.

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The 14th Battalion is having battalion and company drill twice each week, and hope to be very efficient by the Queen's Birthday, when it is expected there will be some corps present on a visit to the old "Limestone City." No change has taken place yet as to the removal of the armories to the Artillery Park, although, goodness knows, any where would be better than in the wet and muddy shed in which the Rifles have to drill at present, the parade ground of Nos. 1 and 2 Companies being nothing better than a mud hole. It is to be hoped that Kingston will be put on a par with other places in the matter of a drill shed; this would, undoubtedly, induce a large number of young men to join who at present refrain from doing so. How it is that a city with as much military importance as this has only the poor apology for a drill shed that we have here is more than a good many military men can fathom.

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The Sergeants' Mess of the 14th Battalion had quite a setback on the 15th of last month by the appearance of the License Inspector, Mr. W. Glidden, amongst them in the Mess room; the caterer's room was examined and as a result the executive of the Mess were summoned to appear at the Police Court for a contravention of the Liquor License Act. To avoid notoriety to the members implicated the plea of guilty was given, and Lieut.-Col. Duff, Police Magistrate, fined the sergeants the modest sum of fifty (50) dollars and costs. The case for the sergeants was conducted by Major J. S. Skinner of the 14th Battalion. Members of the various Messes here are loud in denouncing the actions of the License Inspector, as a word to Lieut.-Col. Smith would have been all that was necessary to have stopped anything illegal if such was the case, avoiding the trouble and notoriety of a number of respectable young citizen-soldiers appearing in a public Court. The Sergeants' Mess have several times tried to get the law on the subject but no one seems to know much about it; at any rate the Ontario License Law seems to be stronger than the Queen's Regulations.

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A very sad accident occurred at Fort Henry on the 27th of April, by which District Gunner J. Marsh lost his life. It was his duty to fire the noon and half-past nine gun which was comprised in the Advance Battery on the southwest angle of