

MEETING OF COUNCIL.

MONTREAL, 3rd May, 1882.

Minutes of Meeting of Council, held this day in the rooms of the Militia Department.

Present: Lt.-Cols. Fletcher, (in the chair) Martin and Fraser. Majors Mudge and Blaiklock. Captain Balfour and Lieut. Hood.

The minutes of last meeting, 21st December last, having been printed in the annual report, were taken as read, and on motion were duly confirmed. Lt.-Col. Martin reported verbally that a petition had been extensively signed and forwarded to the Minister of Militia, in favor of the permanent acquisition of the ranges.

Lt.-Col. Martin and Capt. Balfour were authorized to form a deputation to interview the Minister of Militia on this subject and to associate with them Lt.-Cols. Ouimet and Houde and the city members; they were further instructed to bring up the question of repairs and increasing the number of targets.

The Secretary read letters of apology from the Minister of Militia, Lt.-Cols. Straubenzie, Duchesnay and D'Orsonnens; Majors Scott and Morehouse expressing regret that they would be unable to be present at this meeting.

The Treasurer reported that he had ordered some repairs immediately necessary on the ranges, to the extent of a few dollars. It was unanimously agreed that two new targets be purchased for the new butt, and the Treasurer was authorized to pay for the same.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the 5th Royal Scots' Rifle Association, in regard to Sgt. Perry's aggregate, claiming a place and asking that the matter be reconsidered.

It was on motion resolved that this matter could not be reopened. The date for the annual matches was fixed for Tuesday, 8th August, and following days, and Lt.-Col. Fraser, Majors Bond and Blaiklock, and Lt. Hood, with the Chairman of Council and Sec-