

Personal.

It will be heard with regret that Lieut.-Col. Bond has it in contemplation to retire from the command of the 1st Prince of Wales Rifles.

The return of Lieut. General Laurie, just re-elected M. P. for Shelburne, N. S., was gazetted last Saturday.

Lieut.-Col. Gibson, M. P. P., the popular commander of the 13th Battalion, is again spoken of as about to enter the Provincial Cabinet.

Capt. Hughes, who recently resigned his commission in the Queen's Own, has established himself in the wholesale grocery business at Seattle, Wyoming Territory, U. S. A. He retained his rank on retirement.

Major Wicksteed, formerly of the Governor General's Foot Guards, has returned to Canada after an absence of twelve months in England and on the Continent of Europe. The Major had served for fifty years in the active force when he retired last year.

Gen. Bingham, Earl of Lucan, died on Monday. He was eighty-eight years old. He was made a Knight Commander of the Bath for his services in the Crimean campaign, during which he took part in the charge of the light brigade at Balaclava. He had held the rank of general in the army since 1865.

Lord Lansdowne, Viceroy of India, has completed the formation of his staff, which has been approved by the Queen. The following appointments have been made by the new Viceroy: Military Secretary, Lieut.-Col. Lord William Beresford, V. C. Aides-de Camp—Capt. H. Streatfeild, Grenadier Guards (who will also act as private secretary); Capt. the Hon. C. Harbord, Scots Guards; Mr. H. A. Pakenham, Grenadier Guards; and Surgeon E. H. Finn, Coldstream Guards.

Lieut.-Col. Ross, ex-M. P., died at Picton, Ont., on Monday. For the last 25 years Mr. Ross had been a prominent figure in the County of Prince Edward, financially and socially. He represented that county in the federal parliament from 1863 to 1878. In the general election of 1878 he declined to be a candidate. In 1863 he and Mr. Bog, now Lieut. Col. Bog, organized the 16th Battalion, and he was at once appointed colonel, and retained the command up to 1883, when he resigned. During the Fenian raid of 1866 Col. Ross tendered his battalion to the Government and they were ordered to Kingston. He was Mayor of Picton from 1860 to 1864, and again in 1885 and 1886. Col. Ross was extensively engaged in mercantile business for 40 years and at one time was rated a very wealthy man. He was in his 71st year.

The Rifle.

Major Garrison, H.G.A., has won the aggregate silver medal offered by the Halifax Rifle Club for this year. It was decided by the scores of two meetings, one in June with Snider at 200, 400 and 500 yards, in which Major Garrison scored 92 points; and one in October, with Martini at 200, 500 and 600 yards, in which his score was 82. In the latter match the leading score was a 92 by Major Egan, made up of 27, 32 and 33 in the order of the ranges.

The 37th Battalion Matches.

The 22nd annual rifle matches of the 37th Battalion were held at York, Ont., on the 17th and 18th October, with the following prize winners:

1ST MATCH.—Open to members of the battalion only; ranges, 400 and 500 yards; 7 rounds at each range; short Snider rifles.

\$4 Capt. Griffith, 4 Co.....	57	\$1 Lieut. Vanloon, 4 Co.....	33
3 Col. Davis.....	40	1 Pte. C. Lewis, 1 Co.....	33
2 Capt. Tuck.....	40	1 Lieut. Walker, 7 Co.....	33
1 Pte. J. Griffith, 4 Co.....	39	1 Pte. Tobicoe, 4 Co.....	33
1 Pte. W. Hewitt, 1 Co.....	37	1 Sergt. Wickett, 1 Co.....	32

2ND MATCH.—Open to members of the battalion only; range, 400 yards; 7 rounds; short Snider rifles.

\$4 Capt. Griffith, 4 Co.....	32	\$1 Corpl. Wardell, 6 Co.....	26
3 Capt. Tuck.....	29	1 Pte. Ruddy, 1 Co.....	26
2 Pte. W. Hewitt, 1 Co.....	28	1 Pte. Tobicoe, 4 Co.....	25
1 Sergt. Nelles, 1 Co.....	28	1 Sergt. Wickett, 1 Co.....	25
1 Pte. J. Griffith, 4 Co.....	26	1 Pte. Runchey, 1 Co.....	24

3RD MATCH.—Open to members and ex-members of battalion; range 500 yards, 5 rounds; short Snider rifles.

\$3 Bugler Jones, 5 Co.....	20	\$1 Corpl. Williamson, 1 Co.....	17
2 Pte. W. Hewitt, 1 Co.....	20	1 Capt. Tuck.....	14
1 Capt. Griffith, 4 Co.....	19	1 Pte. J. Nelles, 1 Co.....	13
1 Sergt. G. Wickett, 7 Co.....	17	1 Sergt. L. Wickett, 1 Co.....	13
1 Pte. Tobicoe, 4 Co.....	17		

4TH MATCH.—All comers; ranges, 400 and 500 yards, 5 rounds at each range; short Snider rifles.

\$4 Capt. Tuck, staff.....	36	\$1 Sergt. G. Wickett, 7 Co.....	29
3 Pte. Tobicoe, 4 Co.....	33	1 Pte. Runchey, 1 Co.....	29
2 Pte. J. Nelles, 1 Co.....	33	1 Lieut. Vanloon, 4 Co.....	28
1 Capt. Griffith, 4 Co.....	32	1 Pte. W. Hewitt, 1 Co.....	27
1 Sergt. Nelles, 1 Co.....	31	1 Sergt. L. Wickett, 1 Co.....	24

5TH MATCH.—All comers; ranges 400 and 500 yards; 5 rounds at each range; short Snider rifles.

\$4 Lt. Vanloon, 4 Co.....	40	\$1 Pte. W. Hewitt, 1 Co.....	34
3 Capt. Griffith, 4 Co.....	39	1 Pte. J. Griffith, 4 Co.....	32
2 Pte. J. Nelles, 1 Co.....	39	1 Pte. Runchey, 1 Co.....	31
1 Pte. Robertson, 1 Co.....	36	1 Sergt. G. Wickett, 7 Co.....	31
1 Pte. Tobicoe, 1 Co.....	36	1 Corpl. Wardell, 6 Co.....	30

6TH MATCH—(Consolation.)—Open to competitors who had not won a prize in any of the other matches; range, 400 yards; 5 rounds; short Snider rifles.

1st \$2, Lew Smith, civilian.....	16
2nd 1, Pte. G. Runchey, 1 Co.....	13
3rd 50c, Capt. A. Davis, retired.....	12

The special prizes given to the competitors of No. 8 Co. were won by Lieut. McFadden, case of ale, roast of beef, and box of cigars; Pte. J. Mason, \$1 cash, lantern and pair of gloves.

Winner of the aggregate and once winner of the cup presented by Mr. John Griffith, of Hagersville, Capt. Griffith, No. 4 Co.

EXTRA MATCH—Stake purse, amongst the winners—400 yards, off hand, 5 rounds.

1st Lieut. Vanloon, No. 4.....	19
2nd Pte Griffith, No. 4.....	18
3rd Pte. Runchey, No 1.....	16

Regimental News.

At the drill last Friday Col. Gibson told the 13th that the annual inspection would take place about the end of the month. Pte. Cross has been appointed temporary sergeant in E company.

The Sergeant-Major and non-commissioned officers of the Prince of Wales Rifles, Montreal, celebrated the birthday of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, by a grand ball at the Queen's Hall on the 9th. There was a large and brilliant gathering. During the evening the following cablegram was sent to the Prince: "Prince of Wales Rifles celebrating Your Royal Highness' birthday, wish you very many happy returns."

At the annual meeting of C company 5th Royal Scots, held recently in Montreal, the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Col.-Sergt. J. Pitt; vice-president, Pte. Robinson; secretary and treasurer, Pte. T. O'Brien; committee, Corpl. Badinage and Pte. F. Corner. The treasurer's report was read, and showed the company to be in a very satisfactory condition. Captain and Adjutant Lydon, who has been long associated with the progress of the Royal Scots, received a pleasant mark of popularity. Captain Ibbotson, acting for the non-commissioned officers and men, presented him with an address and two large paintings by Du Neuville. This was a mark of their esteem for his services as drill instructor, the company having won in two competitions, the second for bayonet drill against a picked company of the Victoria Rifles. In replying, the adjutant said his duty had been a labour of love, and that he was willing to drill all the companies if the members would attend. He hoped, now that new and more effective exercise was to be introduced, that the whole regiment would take an opportunity of being perfected in it.

Toronto.

The Queen's Own paraded 509 strong, on Wednesday, evening 7th inst., Major Delamere in command, and proceeded to Moss Park Rink, where Company drill was performed. Some companies practised the manual and firing exercises and company formations, whilst others devoted the evening principally to extending and skirmishing drill.

The annual muster parade will be held on Wednesday evening 14th, after which final orders will be issued regarding the sham fight on Thanksgiving Day. It is generally understood that the Grenadiers are to be the defending force and the Queen's Own the attacking.

Corpl. H. F. Wyatt, of F Company, will act as 2nd Lieut. until further orders. "Harry" has always been popular as a private and corporal, and will continue so in his new position. F Company always turns out some handsome officers.