

Major, and Major Dennison of No. 1 company, R.R.C.I., was aide de camp.

During the review the feu de joie was fired and a royal salute of twenty one guns by the battery. The review concluded with a march past by the brigade. The marching of the regulars was easy and uniform, but when the 13th marched past with their usual characteristic snap and swing, and headed by their magnificent band, the hand clapping and cheering was tremendous. There were four brass bands in the march past, but the music of the 13th pleased them most.

The 13th then trooped the color, which was done so well that a well-known officer of 17 or 18 years service in the regulars was heard to say that he had never seen it done better.

The 13th was then dismissed and the boys had the night to themselves, and they made good use of it.

The arrangements for their comfort at London were excellent; beds of straw covered by sheeting in long rows in the exhibition building were appreciated, and the meals were good.

On Saturday morning the weather was all that could be wished for a field day, a nice breeze from the south making it very pleasant.

At 9 o'clock Lieut.-Col. Smith, D.A.G., arrived at the park to take the corps out for some instructional field manoeuvres and a route march. The regiment was paraded in drill order with 10 rounds of blank ammunition.

After leaving, the 13th marched southward towards the city limits along a road that leads down to Vauxhall bridge crossing the Thames.

Immediately on starting A and B companies were deployed in advance to feel the way, the idea of the movement being that the regiment was proceeding to repel an attacking force, represented by No. 1 company R.R.C.I. approaching the city from that direction.

The regulars, under Major Vidal, were established on the south side of the Thames in a strong position commanding Vauxhall bridge, and had sent an advance party under Lieut. Carpenter some distance northward to feel the way. A detachment also occupied the bridge head on the north side. The 13th extended its line of attack as it advanced, and the movement was very steadily and efficiently performed. As the 13th advanced the invading skirmishers retired on their supports, and finally to the head of the bridge, where a strong body was left to hold it as long as possible, and the rest retired across the river to the main body and established themselves on the heights overlooking the bridge in a very strong position. The 13th attack moved down from the height of land on the north side, and, after some lively powder burning, dislodged the enemy's party at the head of the bridge, and it had to retreat across the bridge under a devastating fusillade from the right of the defenders' line, which had emerged from some woods, and occupied the river bank west of the bridge, from which its fire enfiladed the road on the south side running diagonally up the heights on the right of the invaders' position. The main body of the enemy, un-

der Capt. Hemming, opened a sharp fire to protect the retreat of their men over the bridge. The 13th then prepared to force the crossing of the bridge. The enemy meanwhile retired up a ravine on to the hill overlooking the river, where they kept up a brisk fire. When the psychological moment had arrived F and G companies fixed bayonets and charged across with great clatter of feet on the bridge floor and flashing of steel in the morning. The river having been crossed the invaders' position became untenable, and they retreated higher up the hills towards the table land at the edge of which they formed line of battle. The 13th companies rapidly crossed the bridge, and, deploying on the south side, followed them up closely. The invaders had decided to make a stand at the top of the hills on the south side, but their ammunition was almost exhausted, and the line only kept up an occasional spluttering fire to define their position. On the right of their line a sunken road approached from the foot of the hill and emerged about 100 yards from it. A 13th company had been sent up this road, marching in sections, and, not hearing the firing, did not take the precautions usual when so near the enemy. Suddenly Major Vidal, of the regulars, saw a section of the defenders march out of the head of this sunken road with arms sloped and in blissful unconsciousness that they had nearly outflanked him. The spry little major didn't lose a moment. Calling on a half company to follow him, he drew his sword, yelled "Charge!" and came scampering down the hill at the head of his men, who charged and cheered in gallant style. Almost before the astonished section knew where it was, a subaltern and 20 men were captured. At the last moment they resisted vigorously, and in the melee Pte. W. A. Wells got shot in the neck with a blank cartridge by his rear rank man. He was sent back to the ambulance and had his head bandaged. The wound is not at all serious, but very painful, and the man will be marked for life. The column made quite an imposing appearance on the country roads, and the people came running out of the houses and fields to see them. To the credit of the 13th be it said that not a man fell out during the march, and they seemed to stand it better than the beefy regulars, half of whom were footsore when they got back to Wolseley barracks.

All London turned out on Sunday to see the church parade to St. Paul's Cathedral. The Hussars, 17th, 13th, and No. 1 company, R.R.C.I., took part.

The chaplain of the 13th preached and there was special music by the choir.

Though the morning had been fine thunder clouds rolled up during the afternoon, and shortly after the 13th left the park to entramp home the rain began to fall heavily.

At 4:10 the train moved out, the band playing "Auld Lang Syne" amid cheers and counter cheers, and Hamilton was reached at 8:55.

An immense crowd had gathered to receive the regiment, and the streets were lined with people along the whole route. It marched down Main and James streets

to the sweet tune of "Home, Sweet Home," and arrived at the Drill Hall where they were complimented by Col. Gibson on their excellent work and behavior, and were dismissed after the best outing ever enjoyed by the 13th.

The battalion was short of officers. Captains Tidswell and Ross were especially missed.

The London people left nothing undone to give the 13th a good time, and the boys will not soon forget the many kindnesses shown them.

The sergeants of the 13th went out to Hall's Corners on Tuesday night to assist in a concert given by No. 3 company, 77th Battalion. Capt. Ptolemy and Col. Gwyne presided, and was accompanied by Major Bertram, Capt. Knowles and Lieut. Price from Dundas. The programme, which consisted of over 20 pieces, was very much enjoyed. The sergeants gave an exhibition of physical drill and bayonet exercise, single stick and sword vs. bayonet, besides contributing several songs to the programme, all of which were much enjoyed.

It is unfortunate that the Minister of Militia cannot see his way clear to send the Hamilton, Guelph, and a couple of other battalions, noted for their splendid efficiency to the front, in order that at least a few batteries may be kept well drilled in order to take the field at a moment's notice, if need be. When volunteers do well, and at times even sacrifice themselves for the work, they should be encouraged.

Kingston.

KINGSTON, June 10.—The Queen's Birthday has come and gone, and in other cities the spring drill season has closed, and the regiments are resting during the hot weather. The 14th P.W. O.R. is still drilling steadily, and officers and men are working as hard and as faithfully as though they had always received and were still receiving the utmost measure of "fair play" from the Government.

The regiment made an excellent showing in the Queen's Birthday reviews. The men marched as steadily as veterans, and the movements executed were performed with remarkable precision.

Capt. Hora of "D" company, and who is one of the crack shots of the regiment, has been appointed Regimental Musketry Instructor, and will undoubtedly do good service in that capacity.

The regimental team did not make as high a score in the Military Rifle League matches on Saturday, 1st inst., as was made at the corresponding match last year. This was chiefly owing to want of practice and to the unusually unfavorable atmospheric condition. This year the team totalled 724 points. Last year the total was 777.

The score made by each man is given below:

Lieut. A. Cunningham.....	80
Capt. Hora.....	79
Sergt. Milligan.....	79
Sergt. Roothame.....	74
Capt. White.....	73
Sergt.-Major Morgans.....	70
Pte. Hora.....	69
Sergt. Newman.....	69
Bugler Cotton.....	66
Pte. Anglin.....	65