

REGIMENTAL NOTES.

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LONDON.

The annual meeting of the officers of the 7th Fusiliers was held at the Drill Shed on the evening of the 23rd Jan., and was numerously attended. Considerable enthusiasm was manifested in the proceedings, and the meeting was successful from every standpoint. Lieut.-Col. Payne presided. Captain and Adjutant Hayes read reports from the Finance, Regimental and Band Committee, which were adopted. The accounts of the year were approved by the meeting. The following officers will comprise the different committees for 1893: Finance and Regimental, Captains Hayes, Moore and Kingsmill, and Lieut. Fitzgerald; Rifle Committee, Captain Hayes and Lieuts. Magee and Graves; Band Committee, Major Beattie, Capt. Hayes and Lieut. Graham. The meeting then adjourned for a fortnight.

A military funeral was seen on the streets of London on 25th inst.; it was made up of a detachment of No. 1 Company Canadian Regiment of Infantry paying the last honors to a deceased comrade, Wm. McPherson, who died at the residence of his uncle, Mr. Peter Conley. Young McPherson was a resident at the barracks for three years, and left last spring, since when he had been residing with his uncle. The remains were shipped for burial to Forest, where the deceased had relatives. He was highly respected by his comrade-in-arms.

KINGSTON.

One of those quiet insinuating rumors that occasionally get into circulation is now going the rounds of the military portion of this city; whether there is any truth in the assertions, has not as yet been ascertained, although no doubt when they reach the ears of those most concerned they will at once meet with sufficient denial substantiated by the necessary proofs to forever put them aside or at least lay the cause of the rumor "by the heels." The rumors spoken of concern the quality and nature of some of the articles that have been furnished for sometime past to the members of one of the Military Institutions of this city. Complaints, so rumor states, have time after time been sent into the presiding officers for his investigation into the matter but for some reason or other they never reach their destination. Whether the person or persons who have the transmission of these communications had any interest in the suppression of the complaints or not, is of course but a conjecture, although the names of two in particular, are associated, and with a monetary interest in this connection. It is to be hoped that those who are the guilty ones, if any there be, will at once be brought to book, and an end put to these complaints which are continually cropping up when least expected. It is reported that a movement is on foot to break the rules of military etiquette and discipline, by the complainants going direct to the presiding officer and to him stating the cause of their discontent. There is, no doubt, in the minds of many that he will exercise his usual severity in the case of those that are guilty, and have sympathy for those who have been wronged.

There is considerable winter sport going on here at present consisting of snow-shoeing, curling, skating and hockey playing, and many of the officers and men of the local corps take an active part in them. A curling team composed of Lieut. Gaudet, Capt. Rivers, Major Drury, Lieut.-Col. Cotton (skip), defeated a picked team from the medical staff of Rockwood Asylum, by the very close score 19 to 17. Hockey has also quite a boom and nearly every team in the city has more or less members who are military men. A very exciting match occurred on Saturday the 21st, between the 2nd R. M. C. Cadets and the Limestone Hockey Club of this city. It resulted rather disastrously for the Cadets they being defeated by a score of six goals to one. Their teams was composed of the following Cadets: A. Russell, H. Grant, N. Cosby, R. Blackburn, R. Hayter, E. Maunsell, and G. Cory. They were rather weak in team play but some of

the individual work was well put up, especially that of Cadet Russell in goal who played a brilliant game; had it not been for his magnificent work his team would have had a far worse defeat than that which they sustained. It is claimed he has no equal in this city and was selected therefore to fill that position on the association team that met and defeated the Rideau's of Ottawa on the 28th in this city, by a score of six to four; Cadet Heneker also played in the forward line.

The senior team meets Queen's College team on the 2nd of February, and Trinity College on the 4th February.

Sergt. Sinclair, of "E" Company 14th Batt., is attending the Infantry School at Toronto, and Privates Thornton and Telgmann, "D" Company, are at London School.

Donald McGregor, once a piper in the 70th Highlanders, died in Smith Falls the other day at the advanced age of 93 years.

Word has just been received here that Fred Lake, a smart young volunteer and a sergeant in "F" Co. 14th Batt., has just died in Denver, Col., whither he had gone for the benefit of his health; he was there but three months when he succumbed to the call of the grim destroyer. This makes five members of "F" Co. who have died in the space of little over a year.

Lieut. Kennedy, R.E., a graduate of the Royal Military College, was recently married in Rochester, Eng., to Miss Booth. Lieut. Kirkpatrick, R.E., was groomsman.

Lieut. Patterson of the Royal Fusiliers, Dublin, attended the bachelor's ball in this city on the 25th inst. Ex cadet Vercoe was also in the city on the same date.

The assault-at-arms of the 14th sergeants having been such a great success, there is talk of the Battery getting one up for the benefit of the regimental hospital.

The sergeants' mess of the 14th opened their gymnasium in Ontario hall on the 2nd February. Instructions are given in sparring, foils, single stick, sword, bayonet, quarter staff, bar bells and club swinging.

The junior N.C.O.'s of "A" Battery have just completed the arrangement of a small theatre which has been fitted up in one of the empty barrack rooms. They give their first entertainment about the middle of this month; a screaming farce will be put on.

Sergeant-Major Morgans states that he has inserted challenges, time after time, in different newspapers and got no satisfaction therefrom. He wishes the following to be printed in the C. M. GAZETTE, which being a periodical devoted entirely to military matters, may bring forth better results: Sergt.-Major Morgans, R. M. College, Kingston, champion swordsman of Canada, challenges any man in America to meet him in an all round contest for the championship of America, in the following events:—Foils vs. foils, sword vs. sword, bayonet vs. bayonet, sword vs. bayonet, bayonet vs. lance. The acceptor of this challenge to have the option in the bayonet vs. sword or bayonet vs. lance bouts of being mounted or dismounted. The amount of the purse to be an equal amount on each side of any sum from \$100 to \$500; one-fifth of wager to be deposited with the Editor of the GAZETTE as a forfeit previous to the signing of articles for the contest.

BRANTFORD.

"B" company of the Dufferin Rifles held their annual dinner at B. N. Foster's restaurant on 10th inst., at which about fifty members of the company were present. A dainty spread was provided by Mrs. Foster and when it had been discussed to the satisfaction of all present, Captain Ruddy who occupied the chair called the meeting to order. The usual loyal toasts were heartily received and the customary songs sung. The toast of the "Captain" was received with great applause. Capt. Ruddy in replying to the toast said that he had given in his resignation as captain of the com-