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## THE RIGHT SPIRIT

The men of the Western Scots are "playing the game" admirably, and the good impression they are creating will stand them in good stead in days to come. The inclusion of the Battalion in the Fourth Division, and particularly its selection as the pioneer unit, is a very considerable honour. At the same time, the fact that this preference can only be held by dint of continuous, hard, faithful work must never be lost sight of. The real training will begin shortly now, and we shall soon see how many of us have what one of our own Major-Generals refers to plainly as "guts," and how many of us are in need of warmer footwear.

## CHURCH PARADES

The senior officers are not pleased with the attendance of junior officers at church parades. This is offered as a hint preliminary to other measures, which, it is hoped, may not become necessary. Church parade is a parade, and must be regarded as such.

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## Y.M.C.A. DOES GOOD WORK

Sergeant Young, of the Y.M.C.A., reports that he has made splendid arrangements with the Canadian Y.M.C.A. authorities for supplies of reading matter, writing materials, etc., for the 67th Battalion.

While in London he called on Captain Lee, who has charge of the Canadian Y.M.C.A. work both here and in France, and arranged to have shipped to our permanent quarters, as soon as we are settled there, the following supplies:—

10,000 sheets of writing paper and 5,000 envelopes per month, and more if needed; ink, pens, blotting paper. 300 periodicals per week, such as "Answers," "Pearson's Weekly," "Tit Bits," "John Bull," "Everybody's," "Strength," "The Regiment," etc.; and weekly short story books, Canadian and American magazines are expected over shortly.

Sergeant Young has also secured a library of 400 books, which after a time may be exchanged for a like number of fresh books.

The Y.M.C.A. is also supplying for the Recreation Room 12 sets of checkers, 12 packs of playing cards, 3 sets of chess, 12 sets of dominoes, 2 dart boards, and 2 wall quilts.

## TO SUBSCRIBERS

The Publishers of "The Western Scot" had hoped to be able to sell the paper at a penny the copy upon arrival in England; but owing to the excessive cost of print paper, due to the war contingencies, we find that it is quite out of the question to charge less than twopence. On this basis the sales revenue is still less than adequate to the cost. We appeal to all ranks for support. THE PUBLISHERS.

He has also arranged for several footballs, base ball bats, base balls, mitts, etc.

A concert party of professional singers and musicians will be sent once a week from London. Captain Lee states that the concerts are very popular. During the summer they are held out of doors.

Sergeant Young has arranged that these supplies be replenished continuously both here and in France, so that the Battalion is assured of plenty of reading matter, writing material, etc., throughout the campaign.

The thanks of the Battalion are due to the Victoria Y.M.C.A. Committee for the ten thousand sheets of writing paper and four thousand envelopes that were used on the three trains. One of the Committee kindly placed his motor-car at the disposal of Sergeant Young and Private Wallace, who gathered together nearly three thousand magazines. The Winnipeg Y.M.C.A., as a result of a wire, also placed on the three trains a large quantity of magazines, writing paper and newspapers; while the Halifax Association gave us 8,000 sheets of paper and 3,000 envelopes, and a large quantity of magazines, which took sixteen men, one trip, to carry on board. The several organizations mentioned have our hearty thanks.

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## No. 1 COMPANY NOTES

Still at Bordon; Shorncliffe, Bramshott, and now Windsor—all have been mentioned as our ultimate destination. Men may come, and men may go on leave, but we remain at Bordon for—well, till we move.

The company has now almost returned to its full complement, and settling down to steady work after the general leave. To many it was a time of reunion, which, after many years, is not an unmixed pleasure. To others it was remarkable how soon the dollars fly, and instead of a good six days, at the end of three they regretfully turned their faces homeward.

HEARD ON GUARD.—Officer to sentry: "What is the general routine of a sentry?"

Sentry (of Italian extraction): "I canna spell, sir!"

When are the kilts coming? The officers who have donned them look very smart, and the Battalion will undoubtedly be much improved in appearance when equipped with the historic garb. The feelings of the tall, thin ones and the short, fat ones and the modest ones can be better imagined than described.

Query: Can we move into the 59th quarters?

Our sergeants are nearly all away on courses. What will they be like when they return? Bursting with acquired knowledge, the company, no doubt, in the near future will have to withstand the rush of this stream of military wisdom; but, as we have two good instructors of the 46th fitting the men in physical exercise and bayonet drill, it is expected that the strain will not be too great.

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## No. 2 COMPANY NOTES.

The whole company wish to congratulate the 67th upon their successful transportation to the Mother Land. The train journey from Vancouver to Halifax was exceptionally pleasant for all ranks, and the hearty reception by the public at the various stopping places enthused the men and convinced them of the significance of that word "Duty."

As it has been remarked before in these columns, "Keep up the good work, and make every effort and strain every nerve to do your bit." (Make it as large as possible.)

A little bit added to what you do always makes a little bit more.

It was very obvious when passing through Medicine Hat that Sergeant McGraw was much taken (perhaps in) and fascinated by that city's feminine beauty, but being un-