

REGIMENTAL NOTES.

(We wish to publish information respecting all the doings of all corps. Will the officers interested, particularly at a distance, assist us by having news relating to their corps promptly forwarded?)

KINGSTON.—Gnn. McNamara, of A Battery, has deserted with \$20, stolen from Lieut. Ogilvie.

MILL BROOK, ONT.—Capt. Winslow, of "D" Company, Midland Battalion, who a short time ago was called upon to bury young Richardson, one of the field force, has had the painful task imposed upon him of escorting to the grave another member of his company, Mr. Ed. K. Brown, who died two weeks ago of inflammation of the lungs. The funeral was a military one. The O.Y.B., of which order Mr. Brown was a leading member, also attended the funeral in full regalia. The deceased was universally loved and respected. He possessed that amiability of nature combined with firmness and decision which are the chief characteristics of manhood. His loss has cast a gloom over the whole township of Manvers. Both deaths have been attributed to debility brought on by the hardships of the campaign.

A claim has been filed by Mrs. Grey for compensation for the insanity of her son, Charles, who was in service with the Midland battalion, and first showed symptoms of being insane while on duty.

AMUSEMENTS.

(If the active organizers of regimental games, company clubs, and similar winter occupations for the militia will forward us accounts of their doings we will gladly publish them. This, we hope, will have the good result of encouraging the organization of similar clubs where there are none at present.)

WINNIPEG.—The non-commissioned officers and men of the 90th Battalion propose organizing a club or association in connection with the regiment, which will be somewhat similar to those established in many of the regiments in England. Four rooms have been secured for this purpose in the new drill shed, and it is the intention to carpet and furnish them in a handsome manner, to put in a piano, reading desks, tables for cards, checkers, chess, and billiards. A very good reading room is also to be established, containing the leading daily and weekly newspapers, illustrated weeklies and monthly magazines, particularly journals relating to the army and navy. It is also proposed to organize a gymnasium and athletic association. A large fund for this purpose was raised last summer from the performance of "The 90th on Active Service;" and it is thought that enough has been secured to relieve the members of the battalion from any expense in connection with the organization of the proposed reading room and athletic association. A meeting of all the non-commissioned officers and men of the 90th will be held on Wednesday evening in the Trinity school house, for this purpose.—*Winnipeg Free Press.*

The meeting above referred to was held on the 16th, when nearly a hundred members of the regiment were present. The theatrical committee reported a balance on hand of \$647.33. "The 90th club" was then formally organized, for the purpose of maintaining a first-class reading and general recreation room, the encouragement of athletic sports and rifle shooting, and the fostering in every possible way "esprit de corps" among the members of the battalion, a constitution was proved, and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: President, Sergt.-Major Watson; 1st vice-president, Corp. R. E. Young; 2nd vice-president, Col.-Sergt. Buehler; secretary-treasurer, Staff-Sergt. Geo. Broughall. Directors for the band, Bandmaster Johnston and Corp. G. Bailey; for "A" Company, Sergt. Steele, Ptes. G. McAllister and J. Lamb; for "B" Company, Corp. Tronson, Ptes. Timewell and McMillan; for "C" Company, Ptes. Howden, Shea, and Geo. Cameron; for "D" Company, Sergt. Colgate, Ptes. Graham and Morgan; for "E" Company, Sergt. Spearman, Ptes. Pomeroy and Hopkins; and for "F" Company, Ptes. A. Mowat, W. A. McIntosh and T. Smith.

Four large rooms have been secured in the drill shed, at present occupied by the Sergt.-Major. These will be carpeted and furnished. One of the rooms will be converted into a billiard room, and the remainder into a large reading room. It is the intention to make these club rooms a credit to the regiment, and a comfortable and attractive resort for the members of the battalion.

GLEANINGS.

The West of Scotland has lost a most enthusiastic and thoroughly efficient volunteer in Lieut. W. McAuslan, of the Dumbarton company of volunteers, who sailed last week on his way to the State of Florida, where he intends to engage in fruit culture. His company presented him with a handsome double-barrelled breech-loading fowling piece, and numerous friends also presented him with valuable and useful presents before he should bid them and his blue Scottish mountains a long and lasting adieu.

With a view to excite and encourage the soldier to improve his shooting when he is unlikely to get a prize under the present system, H. E. Hicks suggests that every man of the best shooting troop, company, or battery should receive 1s., which would entice men who are precluded from obtaining a prize, to persevere in their endeavors to improve, in the hope that their troop, company, or battery may be the best.—*Army and Navy Gazette.*

It is reported in Montreal that the Dominion Government has requested the Imperial authorities to send a regiment of light cavalry for service in the Northwest. Why not raise a light cavalry force of Canadians, or form the Indians into police, clothing, feeding and paying them well? The Indian police in Cherokee nation are reported to be as trustworthy as any in the United States. It would be wiser to employ the Indians than to fight them.—*Morning News, Toronto.*

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The works, throughout, will be let in Sections.

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Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and, in the case of firms, except there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the same; and further, an accepted bank cheque for the sum of Two Thousand Dollars or more—according to the extent of the work on the section—must accompany the respective tenders, which sum shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the works at the rates stated in the offer submitted.

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Department of Railways and Canals,
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