

of the battalion, as seen when it was tried Thursday night.

Neither the pioneers nor the ambulance accompanied the regiment.

The brass band of the Q. O. R. was at its best on Wednesday and although the buglers were a trifle fast coming down Jarvis street those who know them have an idea that the intention was to hustle down and thereby shorten the agony the dust of Rosedale was causing to all who can appreciate a good thirst.

F Co. turned out 62 men and Capt. McGee is justly proud of his company. A company that can always turn out in the neighborhood of 60, spring or fall, is an exceedingly efficient one and although A Co., R. G., beat them on the Sunday parade, the averages of the season's attendance would make a totally different showing.

The sergeants sent their joint greetings to the officers during the progress of the different dinners and had them heartily reciprocated, also telegraphing them to their brother N. C. of the 13th and 48th, who were making merry in Hamilton.

MONTREAL.

Queen's Birthday was a busy one at the Cote St. Luc Ranges. In the morning the 6th Fusiliers were out for target practice. There was quite a gale blowing and the wind seemed to run things pretty much as it pleased. Many a rifle bullet which left the muzzle on a bee line for the bull's eye, (this, on the authority of the marksman) was caught up by the uncertain gale and whisked to one side or borne completely over the target. Some there are, no doubt, who may not be disposed to believe this, there are others who have no desire to challenge the statement.

The wind moderated considerably during the afternoon, but all morning when the Sixth Fusiliers were putting in their government target practice, it blew at the rate of about 30 miles an hour. Nor was it a steady wind, but came in gusts which at times prevented any attempt at accurate shooting. Considering these disadvantages, the scores made by the battalion as a whole were not only good but above the ordinary. In individual scores the features were Pte Scott's score of 67 and Pte. Lavers' of the same number of points.

The Montreal Rifle Association held its competition in the afternoon with the following result:

Team Competition.—

Teams, five men each, five shots at 500 and 600 yards; possible 300 points:

	Points.
Montreal Rifle Association	277
Victoria Rifles	264
Royal Scots	254
Garrison Artillery	251
Sixth Fusiliers (second team)	237
Extra series—600yards—110 entries—	
	Pts. Pze.

C. L. MacAdam	25	\$6
B. Howard	23	5
E. B. Burland	23	4
G. Lavers	23	3
J. Drysdale	23	2
D. McCrae	22	1
J. W. Cole	22	1

Extra series—600 yards—80 entries—				Pts.	Pze.
J. T. Clark	-	-	-	24	\$6
J. Riddle	-	-	-	23	5
C. L. MacAdam	-	-	-	23	4
C. Morrice	-	-	-	22	3
J. Marling	-	-	-	22	2
J. J. Bell	-	-	-	22	2
R. Binnmore	-	-	-	21	1
Open match—					
	yds.	yds.	Tot.		

T. Sharpe, M.G.A.	-	-	31	29	60
C. L. MacAdam	-	-	34	26	60
W. A. Smith	-	-	27	32	59
J. Drysdale	-	-	29	30	59
R. Binnmore	-	-	31	26	57
J. Kamberry	-	-	31	25	56
J. Broadhurst	-	-	32	24	56
J. F. Clarke	-	-	33	23	56
J. Hood	-	-	31	23	54
E. Howard	-	-	26	27	53
J. Scott	-	-	22	29	51
F. Gasgoine	-	-	23	28	51
A. Reid	-	-	26	25	51
J. Clark	-	-	26	25	51
D. McCrae	-	-	28	23	51
G. Lavers	-	-	29	22	51
J. W. Cole	-	-	24	26	50
E. J. Foote	-	-	26	24	50
E. Pratt	-	-	28	22	50
J. J. Bell	-	-	24	25	49

Ten 49's were counted out.

On the evening of Queen's Birthday Lieut.-Col. Houghton, D.A.G., had the pleasure of welcoming a number of officers and other gentlemen to the new headquarters of the Garrison mess of the district of Montreal at the corner of St. Catherine and Metcalfe streets. Lieut.-Col. Butler did a similar duty in his capacity as president of the Montreal Military Institute. And then the rooms were thrown open to inspection, which they well withstood, for no more appropriate quarters could have been chosen for the rooms of the military headquarters of Montreal. Not only are the rooms well suited for the purpose, but there is an excellent roof garden which will be very useful in summer. Amongst the others present at the informal meeting were Solicitor-General Curran, who is an honorary member of the institute; Vicomte de la Barthe, who was present as a guest; Lieut.-Col. Mattice, B.M.; Major Roy, B.M.; Lieut.-Cols. Massey, Burland, Starke, Dixon, Prevost, McArthur, Henshaw, Bond, Turnbull, and Caverhill; Surgeon-Major F. W. Campbell, Majors Seath, Ibbottson, Macaulay, Roy, Busteed, Sims, D'Orsonlock, and Radiger, (the secretary of the institute) and about one hundred officers under the rank of major. Mr. James Harnott has been appointed steward of the Garrison mess; no better selection could have been made. During the evening Lieut.-Col. Prevost and a delegation of officers of the 65th came up to the rooms and the colonel of Montreal's French regiment was called to the chair. While he was in that honorable position it was resolved to send a congratulatory cablegram to the Queen, and accordingly a message was drafted and forwarded, amidst the singing of "God Save the Queen." A suitable reply was received.

St. Mary's Cadets, headed by their drums and bugles had a march through the city

in the afternoon, nearly 150 strong. The boys marched with the swing and precision of veterans, and elicited favorable comment from all who saw them.

The programme for the cadet competition for the Duke of Connaught's flag to be held on June 13 has been arranged as follows: (1) Physical training exercises, (2) company drill, (3) manual and firing exercises, companies to be limited to 3 officers and 40 non-commissioned officers and men. Points to be noted: Physical drill, company drill, manual and firing exercises. Deductions to be made for every person checked by the inspecting officer as being improperly or slovenly dressed, 1 point; having dirty arms or accoutrements, 2 points; being unsteady in the ranks, 3 points. The maximum number of points possible, 400, made up of physical drill 100, company drill 200, and manual and firing exercises 100.

The Royal Scots have received their new uniforms from the old country, and they well materially improve the appearance of the battalion. The shoulder straps are red instead of dark blue, and instead of the stiff looking brass numeral the inscription "5 R.S.C." is worked in, in yellow silk after the system followed in the Imperial Service.

The usual birthday salute of twenty-one guns was fired from the battery on St. Helen's Island at noon, by a detachment of the Montreal Garrison Artillery, under the command of Capt. McEwen, with Lieuts Featherstone and Wynne. The men assembled at the Drill Hall at 10 a.m., and marched to the Ferry in time for the first boat. They showed themselves very smart in the performance of their duties, and displayed considerable improvement on last year.

The old United States soldiers who live in Montreal and have organized themselves into a post of the Grand Army of the Republic, decorated the graves of those of Uncle Sam's old soldiers, who are buried in the Montreal cemeteries. Hon. L. W. Fuller, governor of Vermont, came here for the occasion and delivered a patriotic oration.

The Victoria Rifles turned out in splendid shape on Sunday 28 on the occasion of their annual church parade. They marched by way of Cathcart, Phillips' square, Dorchester, Mountain and St. Catherine streets to the Church of St. James the Apostle, headed by their fine band in their new uniforms. The Rev. Canon Ellegood preached the sermon, taking for his text Ephesians iv, 15, "But speaking the truth in love, may grow up unto Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ." It was an earnest exhortation to be and to do good. "Excelsior" should be their motto to lead them forward and higher and higher. The Christian soldier should take a lesson in progress from the steady rowing cedar of Lebanon, which was a majestic tree. They were to go onward and onward and to bring fourth fruits to glorify God. Religious people often made a mistake by thinking that they had nothing to do with