

ney; Japanese Consul Nosse, in uniform; and a military staff. The brigade marched past, in column and with changed ranks in quarter column, earning liberal applause by the steadiness of the ranks. Then in line the troops gave the royal salute, while the bands, combined for the march past, played the familiar strains. The officers commanding corps were called to the front, and briefly addressed by the Admiral and the Lieutenant-Governor, who complimented them upon the satisfactory exhibition made by all concerned. The corps then formed each into column, and company by company visited the commissariat near by to refresh themselves for the homeward march. The Admiral's flag was lowered and the red ensign with the Dominion arms again went up.

The Naval detachment were the first to leave the field. From their position on the right of the several columns they moved to the right in fours by successive companies, each company taking the new formation and direction with such admirable precision as to evoke hearty applause from the onlookers, which was renewed as having wheeled to the left about they marched with fixed bayonets along the front of the parade, the applause being several times repeated as they passed along, and the B. C. G. A., on the left, giving the sailors a hearty parting cheer. As intended, the engagement and review, commencing at 11 o'clock, occupied little more than one hour, so that the participants got away in good time for the afternoon sports.

Halifax.

To the Editor of CANADIAN MILITARY GAZETTE:

SIR.—On Tuesday evening 11th inst, the 66th P.L.F. had a battalion parade for commanding officers inspection and route march, and on the following evening, the 63rd Rifles paraded for the same purpose. The H.G.A. are drilling highly by companies. Owing to the "no pay racket" there is a paucity of numbers in the attendance at drill in three corps. The questions in artillery and infantry have been received for 95, 96, I presume for the purpose of being answered later on, but what about the department of Militia and Defence answering our question of 2 months ago. *Are we to receive pay for 95-96, or are we not?* If we are why not say so, if we are not why send us these questions.

There are some paltry repairs being made on this old ramshackle of a drill shed of ours. Two rough single spruce board rooms have been abutted against the front of the shed for use as armories for the 66th and 63rd. I have heard them likened to free soup kitchens, dryearth stores, ice houses, and other structures unfit for ears polite.

Yours very truly,
GRAVELERUSHER.

The seventy-sixth anniversary of the Queen's birthday was celebrated by an almost entire suspension of business. The

weather was beautifully fine though a little chilly, and pleasure-seekers had a good chance to make the best of the day. The arrival of the Crescent was an event to mark the day, the new flagship making a quick run up from Bermuda; she exchanged salutes with the citadel. At noon royal salutes were fired from the citadel and the Crescent and a feu de joie was discharged from the citadel ramparts. The reception at government house in the evening was attended by over 600 guests.

Instead of the usual state dinner His Honor Governor Daly this year decided upon having a reception at government house on the Queen's birthday, to which were invited all who had called. Over 600 invitations were issued and about 600 attended. Government house never looked more handsome nor more suitably decorated. Plants and flowers were in every room and colors appropriate to the day were tastefully displayed. To do honor to the occasion the admiral and Mrs. Erskine, the captain and many of the officers of the Crescent, though only a few hours in port, were present. The officers of the King's regiment, headed by Col. Stone, attended the reception in a body, and all the other corps in the garrison, as well as the officers of the militia, were fully represented. The band of the 66th P.L.F. played the following programme of music in their accustomed good style:

March—Queen of England.....Pielke
Overture—Masaniello.....Auber
Mazurka—Entre Nous.....Faust
Valse—The Jubilee.....Coote
Selection—Robin Hood.....Koven
Lancers—St. Georges.....Balfour
Valse—Ever O'Ever Mine.....Coote
Polka—The Star of England.....Farrell

St. John, N. B.

The first in the series of spoon matches of the Saint John County Rifle Association was held in Drury Range on Saturday last (8th.) a glaring light and very gusty wind preventing high scoring.

The winners of spoons were as follows:—

Score.
Class A. Tablespoon, Col. Sergt. Henderson, 62nd Fus..... 89
Class B. Dessertspoon, Lt. H. Perley, St. John Rifles..... 86
Class C. Teaspoon, Capt. S. B. Lordly, 62nd Fus..... 84

The Interprovincial Rifle trophy has been won over again by the Nova Scotia team after a close and eventful contest. The match was to have been shot on the Drury Range but at about noon, after the Riflemen had completed their scores at 200 yards, the fog was so thick, that it was decided to adjourn the competition to the Sussex Range. The teams left by the I. C. R'y. at 2.30, arriving at Sussex at 1.30, finding no fog, but a strong and gusty wind, with changeable light.

The following are the scores made:—

NOVA SCOTIA TEAM.

	200	500	600	Ttl.
Lt. Bent, 63rd Batt.....	29	31	29	89
Sgt. Blair, 78th Batt.....	26	30	32	88
Lt. Dwyer, 78th Batt.....	27	30	29	86
Gun. McEachern, H. G. A.....	28	30	28	86
Sgt. Carter, 63rd Batt.....	28	31	27	86
Corp. Cox, K. C. H.....	29	25	30	84
Trooper Webster, K. C. H.....	29	24	26	79
Pte. Bassett, 68th Batt.....	26	28	21	75
	222	229	222	673

NEW BRUNSWICK TEAM.

	200	500	600	Ttl.
Col. Sgt. Henderson, 62nd Fus.....	30	29	33	92
Capt. Smith, Rifles.....	27	29	32	88
Capt. McRobbie, 8th Hus.....	30	29	28	87
Corp. Sullivan, Rifles.....	26	31	27	84
Sgt. Lordly, 62nd Fus.....	24	28	29	81
Maj. Hart, 62nd Fus.....	26	28	26	80
Capt. Manning, 62nd Fus.....	23	28	23	74
Capt. Langstroth, 74th Batt.....	27	26	18	71
	213	228	216	657

P. E. ISLAND TEAM.

	200	500	600	Ttl.
Sgt. Crockett, 82nd Batt.....	25	33	31	89
Lt. Col. Loneworth, P.E. I. Ar.....	28	30	30	88
Pte. Smith, 82nd Batt.....	29	34	25	88
Capt. Crockett, 82nd Batt.....	26	31	24	81
Corp. Baird, Engineers.....	27	31	22	80
Pte. Acorn, 82nd Batt.....	25	27	26	78
Lt. Stewart, P. E. I. Artillery.....	24	28	25	77
Capt. Hooper, 82nd Batt.....	22	29	19	70
	286	243	202	631

Truro, N. S.

The following scores were made at the second spoon competition of the Truro Rifle Club, held on the Salmon River Range on June 8th:

	200	500	600	Ttl.
T. A. Blackburn, Capt. 78th.....	32	30	23	85
John Suckling, Capt. 78th.....	27	31	24	82
E. E. McNutt, Pte. 78th.....	25	31	25	81
E. C. Cribb, Lieut. 78th.....	29	27	25	81
H. C. Blair, Lieut. 78th.....	27	25	28	80
M. K. Langille, D. D. S.....	29	27	24	80
James Dover, Lieut. 78th.....	27	30	23	80
B. F. Porter.....	29	23	27	79
H. V. Kent, M. D.....	29	26	24	79
A. S. Black, Pte. 78th.....	24	28	26	78
W. P. Richardson, Pte. 78th.....	30	27	21	78
D. C. Blair, Pte. 58th.....	27	23	23	73
H. Cock, Pte.....	25	24	23	72
George Hamilton.....	17	28	22	67
W. R. Campbell, M. A.....	25	22	13	60
H. T. Lawrence, Major 78th.....	25	17	17	59
George Christie, Pte.....	25	14	12	51

Hamilton.

Without doubt the best outing the 13th Battalion ever had was that of the 21th when they visited London, and spent three days in the lovely forest city. It was a complete success as not only did every officer and man enjoy himself, but the battalion by its steady marching, rapid manœuvring and general good conduct, added fresh laurels to itself and fully upheld its reputation as one of the premier corps of Canada.

At 5.15 a.m. the 13th paraded at the Drill Hall here in heavy marching order and were marched to the Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway station at Garth street for London at 6.15.

Being the first passenger train over the line to Brantford, the management decided that it should be slow, but despite this the run to London was made in four hours and thirty-five minutes.

Owing to the delay in arriving the programme arranged was not carried out, but a review was held.

Before an immense crowd on the grand stand the brigade formed up, the line extending almost the entire length of the park. On the right was D School R. R. C. I., commanded by Col. Vidal; next was the 7th Fusiliers of London, looking smart and bright, commanded by Col. Lindsay, assisted by Majors Beatty and Hayes. The centre of the line, and extending well to the left, was occupied by the 13th, commanded by Lieut.-Col. Moore, assisted by Majors McLaren and Stoneman; and the left was taken up by the Dufferin Rifles from Brantford, looking very natty in their neat green uniforms. They were commanded by Major Wilkes, and Major Leonard was Adjutant. The First Hussars, the cavalry corps, was commanded by Col. Gartshon, and Col. Peters was in command of the London Field Battery.

Lieut.-Col. Gibson was Brigadier, Major Higar of the Oxford Rifles was Brigade