

Militia General Orders (No. 9) of 12th June, 1891.

ERRATUM.—With reference to Militia General Orders of 29th May, 1891, the Orders therein will read as follows from No. 3 forward:

No. 3.—Captain and Brevet Major Lawrence Buchan, of the Company of Mounted Infantry will proceed to Fredericton, N.B., and assume command of "A" Company, Infantry School Corps, in the absence on duty of Captain and Brevet Major W. D. Gordon.

No. 4.—RESIGNATION OF COMMISSION.

COMPANY OF MOUNTED INFANTRY.—Lieutenant and Brevet Captain James Alexander Bremner, has been permitted to resign his commission.

No. 5.—APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS.

36TH "PEEL" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, O.—No. 2 Company, Glencairn.—To be Captain: 2nd Lieutenant Henry Charles Schomberg Elliot, R.S.I., from No. 7 Company, 35th Battalion, *vice* W. R. Scott, who retires from the service.

To be Lieutenant, provisionally: Marshall Neilly Stephens, Gentleman, *vice* Charles Byng-Hall, left limits.

96TH "DISTRICT OF ALGOMA" BATTALION OF RIFLES, O.—No. 6 Company, Sault Ste. Marie.—To be Lieutenant, provisionally: Sergeant John Absalom Wilde, Gentleman, *vice* Malcolm Green, left limits.

By command.

WALKER POWELL, Colonel,
Adjutant General of Militia,
Canada.

HOW TO USE THE MAILS.

By direction of the Postmaster-General the Chief Post-Office Inspector, Mr. Sweetnam, has lately been making special enquiry into certain cases in which letters and packages of more than ordinary size had been broken or torn in course of post. The chief inspector's investigations lead to the conclusion that, in the great majority of cases, the damage has been the consequence of the inferior coverings (envelopes, paper boxes, etc.) used for the articles in question. He thinks that if the public would enclose their large letters in envelopes of sufficiently good quality and of a size adapted to that of the contents, and if in making up packages they would use good wrapping paper and tie up the whole securely very few breakages would occur in course of post. It should be remembered that every letter and parcel cannot be laid in the most careful manner in the bag or box into which it has to be sorted. Post-office clerks would never get through their work if they had to adopt this mode of treatment for the vast quantities of matter passing through their hands. At the same time the Chief Inspector, by Postmaster-General Huggart's directions, is renewing the instructions to post-office clerks to do all in their power to avoid damage to mail matter, and this doubtless will have a good effect. If the public would work with the post-office to the extent of seeing that the articles they post are in good shape and well secured, the number of complaints would be very materially reduced.

There is a missionary story of the Devil's being obliged to seek appropriate bait for each of the hooks he drops overboard to catch sinners with, excepting the one intended for the profane swearer who takes the unbaited hook. General McCook, commanding the Department of Arizona, seems to hold a similar opinion, and he has set himself to work to put all of his officers in line with the Texas preacher who, in reporting progress, stated that he was "learning to read the Bible and correcting himself of the habit of profane swearing." In a recent G.C.M. order Gen. McCook says: "The proceedings, finding and sentence in the foregoing case of Private Edward Thompson, Troop F, 10th Cav., are approved. The testimony introduced shows that the officer preferring the charges in this case used profane language in connection with his instructions, which no doubt angered the prisoner and caused his insubordination. In view of these facts, and as a warning to officers that the use of abusive or profane language toward those under them will not be countenanced by the Department Commander, so much of the sentence as imposes dishonourable discharge and forfeiture of pay is remitted."

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