

HALIFAX GARRISON ARTILLERY.

At the third silver spoon competition of the H. G. Artillery (in the first class) at the Bedford range on the 28th and 29th ult., the following were the highest scores :

	200	400	500	Total		200	400	500	Total
Sergt. Case.....	31	28	31	90	Bdr. Campbell...	23	30	26	79
Bombdr. Fader...	30	28	28	86	Sergt. Murray...	36	32	17	79
Sergt. Melvin...	32	27	24	83					

The aggregate in the first class of three competitions was won by Sergt. Case, 84 78 90—252; second, 91 74 80—251 Bombardier Fader.

MONTREAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The third spoon competition of the M.R.A. was held last Saturday at Cote St. Luc. The light was good with steady left wind. Following are the top scores. Ranges 200, 500 and 600 yards, Martini rifles :

J. Riddle, 6th Fus. (ladle).	30	32	32	—94	E. W. Wilson, Vics.....	31	21	24	—76
A. Thomson, Vics. (tab. sp).	32	31	29	—92	E. Busted, Vics.....	31	25	20	—76
J. Wynne, R.S. (des. sp).	29	30	30	—89	D. McCrae, Vics.....	30	32	14	—76
M. Pope, Vics (tea sp).....	28	28	30	—86	A. Shaw, Vics.....	27	28	19	—74
K. Mathews, Vics.....	28	29	28	—85	J. W. Marks, 6th Fus....	26	22	23	—71
E. Desherats, ".....	26	33	26	—85	R. Binmore, Vics.....	27	21	23	—71
R. Keough, P.W.R.....	28	30	23	—81	Pte. Pringle, Vics.....	27	25	18	—70
C. L. McAdam, Vics.	24	34	22	—80					

Regimental and other Notes.

The following complimentary notice of the brigade camp at St. Andrews, N.B., and of the officer commanding there, is taken from the *St. John Sun*. Col. Muunsell's many friends in other parts of Canada will be pleased to note from it how popular he has made himself in the district: "Friday afternoon a large number of persons assembled on the piazza of the Algonquin, from which the manoeuvres of the troops engaged in the sham fight were seen to advantage. A number of ladies and gentlemen who had the courage to climb to the ærie in the town were amply repaid for their trouble by the bird's eye view they had of the fight, as every movement and incident of the battle came within the reach of their vision. It was a pretty sight, and as the thin red line of the skirmishers was seen fringing the woods to the rear and stealing along the banks of Kutsy's cove, as they were advancing on Fort Tipperary, one was reminded of the vivid description given by Kingslake of the battle of the Alma. * * The camp of 1889 has now passed into history, and the citizen soldiers have gone to their homes. The lesson of discipline received will, doubtless, be beneficial to them in the performance of their duties in civil life, and, without doubt, should ever their services be required in actual warfare (which heaven forbid) they will respond to the call of duty and spring to arms with greater alacrity than they did to the, in some respects, holiday pastime of a fortnight's drill in camp. * * The weather all the time the troops were in camp was all that could be desired; not a single drill had to be omitted in consequence of unfavorable weather. The camp was pitched in a most picturesque situation, on the ridge of Joe's Point, where the cooling breezes tempered the heat of the sun, making drill a pleasant occupation. The conduct of the men of all branches of the service, horse, foot and artillery, during their stay in camp was all that could be desired, and satisfactory to the citizens of St. Andrews, who felt proud of the citizen soldiers of the province, and must have been most gratifying to Lieut.-Col. Maunsell, D.A.G., their gallant commander, and the officers of the brigade. Col. Maunsell won golden opinions from all who came within the shadow of his genial influence. While he is one of the sunniest of men he never for a moment relaxes discipline, which he administers in such a way as to gain the respect, yea, the love of the men under his command."

Capt. A. E. Christie, of F Company 38th Battalion Dufferin Rifles, being about to remove from Brantford, Ont, to Calgary, N.W.T., on the 8th inst. received the following complimentary farewell address from his brother officers. It was signed on their behalf by Lieut.-Col. C. S. Jones: "Your comrades in arms, the officers of the Dufferin Rifles of Canada, were surprised to learn of your immediate departure from Brantford for the Northwest, and of your severance of the friendly ties which have linked your genial companionship with the friendship and good will of your brother officers. You will indeed be missed by them, not only in the various departments of regimental work in which you always knew your duty and did it, but as well as in the social entertainments and healthful exercises of the regiment, none of which were a complete success without the inspiration of the able and popular commander of F Company. It goes without saying that your absence from Brantford will be felt in no slight degree by the fair sex of this fair city. Your brother officers wish you a happy and prosperous career in the land of the setting sun, and only hope that time may in some lucky hour guide your footsteps back to your old friends of the Dufferin Rifles."

The following from the *Miramichi Advance* relates the very prominent part the local militia took in the enthusiastic celebration of Dominion Day at Newcastle, N.B.: "Too much cannot be said in favour of Lt. Col. Call's fitness for the important position of Grand Marshal, his arrangements as to route and order of movements, and the judicious selection he made of assistants, as well as his watchful readiness in ordering the formation about the Public Square as the halt was made to hear the orations, displaying the advantage of military training intelligently applied in practical and emergent work. * * The Newcastle Field Battery, which he commands, too part in the grand parade; as did also the band and No. 2. Co. of the 73rd Battalion. As Col. Call was the Grand Marshal of the day, the battery was in charge of Lt. Lawlor, and Lt. Mackenzie commanded the Infantry. The four guns were drawn by sixteen splendid heavy horses, and the officers and non-com. officers were equally well mounted. The horses were furnished free to the Battery for the day's parade by public spirited residents. The Infantry and Artillery when proceeding toward the base ball ground to fire the salute of the day, were halted in front of the Artillery armoury, where the Battery officers had three men ready with cans of hop and ginger beer, and plenty of tin dippers, so that it took but a short time for all to get a drink—an attention that was very much appreciated after their long and dusty march. Proceeding to the base ball ground, both Artillery and Infantry formed in line, open order, and the Battery led off with seven guns, followed by a *feu de joie* by the Infantry, this order of firing being repeated until the 21 guns of the salute were fired. After the salute the commandant, Lt.-Col. Call, ordered "helmets off" and called for three cheers for the Dominion of Canada, which were given with a hearty will, after which he addressed the brigade and said that before dismissing them from their duties for the day he desired to say a few words of commendation. First, he must thank the Chatam contingent of the 73rd Battalion for the manner in which they turned out. Their soldier-like appearance and behaviour were alike creditable to themselves and their officers. He knew how difficult it was, at this busy time of the year, to get men together, involving a great deal of inconvenience, and no little cost on the part of both officers and men, and he felt sure that the committee and the public generally fully appreciated their efforts. The day had, so far, passed agreeable, and he trusted that nothing would occur to mar the pleasure of those who had met to celebrate our great national holiday. In the procession the different industries of the country had been well represented and not the least pleasing feature of the exhibition was the military display. He knew that men, on such a day as this, were exposed to unusual temptations, and were liable to be led by excitement into excess, but he had every confidence in them and knew that they would respect the uniform they wore, and, in everything they did afford an example to all around them. He desired to thank, in this public manner, Messrs. Snowball, Robinson, Power, and others who had kindly given for the day, the fine lot of horses used by the Battery. Three cheers were then given by the Brigade for Lt.-Col. Call and Lt. McKenzie, after which the military duties of the day ended. The Battery then went to their armoury, where a collation awaited them which they appreciated as only hungry men can. The men of No. 2 Company were sent by their officers to Johnston's restaurant for dinner while the officers of both corps were entertained by Lt.-Col. Call at his residence.

Says *Winnipeg Siftings*:—"The appointment of Dr. H. Y. Baldwin as assistant surgeon to the 90th Rifles has suggested to the writer that the doctor might do a good bit of work in his new position by organizing an efficient ambulance corps from the battalion. The necessity of such a corps in every regiment is undeniable, and experience has shown that on the field of battle many lives have been sacrificed by the absence or inefficiency of this most important branch of the service. Just now, that actual field operations have been made a part of the regular training of the 90th, a good opportunity is offered to put the suggestion into actual practice. There are a number of medical students in the regiment, and if they were formed into an ambulance corps they could accompany the boys to their sham fight at Silver Heights, and under the supervision of the doctor, carry the wounded to the rear, bind up imaginary wounds and make out the necessary casualty reports. It would be good practice for them, and would add a new interest to the field exercises.

The supposition that Lieut. Daley, of Digby, whose death by drowning was recorded in a recent number, lost his life in attempting to save that of the lad who was with him, proves to have been correct. The bodies have been hauled up twenty-five miles from where the accident occurred. Lieut. Daley's left arm still around the lad McBride, held him fast.

The officers of the 53rd Battalion are endeavouring to establish a fund of \$500 a year to put the Victoria Band, of Sherbrooke, on a superior footing.