

The Battalion was then just through a number of movements by Majors Weston and Menger, after which the rear companies were then marched to the southern end of the yard, No. 1 standing fast, and Capt. Browne's veterans were the first to face the music for the

COMPANY DRILL

portion of the proceedings. No. 1 was proved and inspected, after which they were put through several movements in company drill by the captain and lieutenant. The remaining companies were exercised separately by their captains and lieutenants, the movements consisting of marching in file and fours, forming to the front and rear, forming company square, forming column of half companies, etc., the different movements being keenly watched by the D.A.G.

At the conclusion of the company drill, battalion was reformed and marched to the drill shed, where the pay-roll was called.

Previous to roll call Col. Humphrey addressed the regiment. He said he was more than pleased with the drill, the cleanliness and soldierly appearance exhibited by the men, and stated that if a possible fault was to be found it was not with the non-commissioned officers and men, but rather with some of the officers, who were not as efficient as they might be.

The Fusiliers presented a most creditable appearance, everything being bright and tidy. Of the drill, it can be safely said that it was all that could be desired, and while a few little mistakes occurred, they were excusable, and Col. Humphrey should feel proud of commanding such a battalion as paraded yesterday.

STRAY SHOTS.

A photograph of the battalion was taken previous to the arrival of the D.A.G.

The many friends of Major Weston will be glad to know that the popular major was on parade, and, with the exception of a slight limp, appears to be fully recovered.

There was a large crowd of spectators, including many militia officers, while several of the fair sex viewed the proceedings from the windows of the militia brigade office.

The band again distinguished themselves by their excellent music, playing several selections in the drill shed during the afternoon.

Col. Humphrey has an excellent word of command, his words being clear and distinct.

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Licut. H. C. Carey, R. E., has been promoted to captain.

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The military have received word that the trooper Tamar will leave England the latter part of February for Halifax with the 26th Scottish Cameronian Rifles to relieve the 1st Batt. of the 17th Leicestershire regiment on this station. The latter, it is understood, will not go to Barbados but to the Mediterranean. The Cameronians are now at Aldershot.

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The military authorities have decided not to bring troops hereafter from the West Indies to Halifax, owing to the coldness of the climate. The troops will be sent from the West Indies to England. This change will be inaugurated at the next shifting.

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Col. Macshane, Brigade Major, was in Amherst, N.S., a few days ago, on his tour of inspection. When examining the stores in Capt. G. H. Black's armory, he complimented that officer on the excellent condition in which he found them.

QUEBEC.

DIST. OF BEDFORD RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The annual prize meeting of the District of Bedford Rifle Association was held on the ranges on Mr. Thos. R. Pickel's farm on Thursday, 13th inst., and proved very successful. The management made a new departure this year in having only one day's shooting and having arrangements at the butts so perfect that the programme was got through in good time, the last shot in the last match being fired at 5 o'clock p. m. The targets and marking gave general satisfaction to the competitors, the markers, under the direction of Mr. Wm. Bray, an old English marker, being prompt and accurate, and a code of bugle signals having been established between

firing point and butts, no delay occurred. The clerk of the weather provided a bright warm day, with a strong gusty eight o'clock wind. The following are the scores of the prize winners :

NO. 1 MATCH.

200 yards, 5 rounds. Snider rifle.	Standing or kneeling.
Lieut. Bump, 52nd Batt.	22
Bugler Mattheson, 79th Batt.	22
Mr. Gage	21
Capt. G. B. Hall, 52nd Batt.	21
Major Bulman, 79th Batt.	20
Lieut. Greely, 5th Cav.	20
Sergt. C. M. Hall, 79th Batt.	20
Sergt. S. Hawley, 52nd Batt.	20
Mr. H. Wright	20
M. Whitman	19
Capt. C. Hall, 52nd Batt.	19
Lieut. Moffatt, 79th Batt.	10

NO. 2 MATCH.

400 and 500 yards. Snider rifle.	5 rounds at each range.
Mr. A. Newell	42
Bugler Mattheson, 79th Batt.	40
Mr. Whitman	39
D. V. Sweet	38
Sergt. S. Hawley, 52nd Batt.	38
Major Jamieson, 60th Batt.	38
Corp. Cox, S. F. B.	37
Lieut. Greeley, 5th Cav.	36
Major Bulman, 79th Batt.	36
Lieut. Richardson, 79th Batt.	35
Capt. Billings, 5th Cav.	34
Sergt. Maj. Seale, S. F. B.	34
Sergt. C. M. Hall, 79th Batt.	34
Lieut. Bump, 52nd Batt.	33
Capt. G. R. Hall, 52nd Batt.	33
Mr. A. Johnston	33
Gun'r Purdy, S. F. B.	31
Lieut. Beattie, 60th Batt.	31

NO. 3 MATCH.

500 yards. Snider rifle.	7 rounds.
Sergt. Hall, 79th Batt.	34
Mr. A. Newell	34
Lieut. Bump, 52nd Batt.	29
Capt. G. C. Hall, 52nd Batt.	28
Capt. C. Hall, 52nd Batt.	28
Lieut. Moffatt, 79th Batt.	26
Mr. Whitman	26
Sergt. Hawley, 52nd Batt.	26
Corp. Cox, S. F. B.	25
Lieut. Richardson, 79th Batt.	25
A. Johnston	24
D. V. Sweet	24

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FIFTY-FOURTH BATTALION.

The annual prize meeting of the 54th Battalion and Richmond County R. A. was held in Richmond on the 19th. It was not a day for good shooting, as a gusty and irregular wind prevailed.

FIRST NURSERY MATCH.

Seven shots at 200 yards.

\$6 00 Lieut. J. E. Astell, No. 4 Co., 54th Bat	32
5 00 Mr. C. A. Miller	22
4 00 Capt. W. R. Stevens, No. 6 Co., 54th	22
3 00 Mr. C. P. Swallow	21
2 50 Lieut. D. A. Bothe, No. 2 Co., 54th	18
1 50 Pte. B. Powe, No. 2 Co., 54th	16
1 00 Corp. H. A. Peplar, No. 2 Co., 54th	15
1 00 Pte. C. N. Lyster, No. 6 Co., 54th	14
1 00 Band-Sergt. W. H. Stockwell, No. 1 Co., 54th	11
1 00 Staff-Sergt. W. Bowden, No. 2 Co., 54th	10

SECOND MATCH.

Open to all members of Association ; Range 500 and 600 yards ; seven shots at each.

\$10 00 Band. B. Whalen, No. 4 Co., 54th Batt.	53
8 00 Staff-Sergt. C. H. Clarke, 53rd	52
6 00 Band. E. T. Cleveland, No. 1 Co., 54th	50
5 00 Lieut. M. H. Healy, No. 4 Co., 54th	50