

Sergt. J. Rose	-	-	-	-	-	31
Sergt. C. Rose	-	-	-	-	-	22
						355
<i>A Company---</i>						
B. M. W. E. Hiscott	-	-	-	-	-	59
Sergt. Freeland	-	-	-	-	-	43
Sergt. Scarlett	-	-	-	-	-	35
Sergt. Poole	-	-	-	-	-	46
Corpl. Footit	-	-	-	-	-	22
Pte. Callard	-	-	-	-	-	18
Pte. Palmer	-	-	-	-	-	12
Pte. Hessell	-	-	-	-	-	24
						259
<i>D Co. Team---</i>						
Sergt.-Major McCrimmon	-	-	-	-	-	57
Sergt. Mulligan	-	-	-	-	-	28
Corp. Shillington	-	-	-	-	-	26
Pte. Coughlin	-	-	-	-	-	43
Pte. Erskine	-	-	-	-	-	14
Pte. Galbraith	-	-	-	-	-	44
Pte. Spicer	-	-	-	-	-	16
Sergt. Hayman	-	-	-	-	-	21
						249
<i>B Co., 2nd Team---</i>						
Pte. Galpin	-	-	-	-	-	29
Capt. Somerville	-	-	-	-	-	29
Pte. Brett	-	-	-	-	-	22
Pte. Stein	-	-	-	-	-	18
Pte. Hamm	-	-	-	-	-	30
Corp. Adam	-	-	-	-	-	25
Pte. Webb	-	-	-	-	-	42
Pte. McCorkindale	-	-	-	-	-	26
						221
<i>C Co. Team---</i>						
Sergt. Brown	-	-	-	-	-	32
Corp. Beecher	-	-	-	-	-	14
Sergt. Spicer	-	-	-	-	-	29
Pte. Hayman	-	-	-	-	-	18
Pte. Smith	-	-	-	-	-	4
Pte. Cahill	-	-	-	-	-	32
Pte. Patter	-	-	-	-	-	11
						138
<i>F Co. Team---</i>						
Pte. Howe	-	-	-	-	-	37
Pte. Sullivan	-	-	-	-	-	30
Pte. McGregor	-	-	-	-	-	7
Pte. Forbes	-	-	-	-	-	10
Lieut. Fitzgerald	-	-	-	-	-	26
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To all the officers of the Association much credit is due. Col. Payne, as Range Officer, with his assistants, Capt. Hayes, Capt. Moore and Staff-Sergt. Dillon, were indefatigable, while the Association Secretary, Bandmaster Hiscott, worked like a Trojan. The officers in charge of the companies are also to be complimented. Lieut. Graham commanded No. 1 Company; Capt. Hayes, first team, and Color-Sergt. Allen, second team of No. 2 Company; Capt. Moore, No. 3 Company; Color-Sergt. Hayman, No. 4 Company; and Lieut. Fitzgerald, No. 6 Company. Eighteen scorers and markers from No. 1 Company, C.R.I., did their work well.

"B" Company (Capt. Hayes) covered itself with glory, winning the W. J. Reid challenge cup for the third consecutive time, and thus becoming final owners. A cash prize also accompanied the trophy. The "B" Company team also captured the League cup given in volley firing and skirmishing. This event was the great feature of the matches, being introduced for the first time. The companies formed at 400 yards from the targets, and at the bugle sound fired as they advanced or retired. The targets were exposed at the rifle pits for twenty seconds at a time, each company having a target of its own, and the scores being made up subsequently from the number of hits upon each target. The men enjoyed the drill immensely, and it could not fall to be of general benefit, partaking as it did to the greatest possible extent of the nature of genuine warfare.

MONTREAL.

A useful feature of the proposed winter work of the Montreal Garrison Artillery will be the delivery of a number of lectures on military subjects by officers of the Brigade, and others who may assist. This, in systematized form, has not been attempted here for some years, and the first lecture will be looked forward to with much interest.

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On the evening of 9th inst., the anniversary of the birthday of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, his Canadian regiment, the Prince of Wales Rifles, held their usual annual ball in the Drill Hall. There was a large attendance of guests from other city corps and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all. During the evening the regiment sent the following message of congratulation to H. R. H.:

"The Prince of Wales Rifles respectfully wish Your Royal Highness many happy returns, and renew their assurance of fealty and devotion.

T. P. BUTLER, Colonel."

The following reply was promptly received:

To Colonel Butler, Prince of Wales Regiment, Montreal:

My thanks to regiment for congratulations.

(Signed)

ALBERT EDWARD.

The annual inspection of the Victoria Rifles took place on Saturday afternoon, 5th inst. The weather was unusually wintry and unpleasant, and it was decided that the parade be held in the Drill Hall instead of on the Champ-de-Mars; the battalion mustered at its Cathcart street armory and marched down, the men's boots and trousers losing much of their cleanliness and neatness in the march through the slush and mud of the streets. The parade was fair as regards strength, 311 of all ranks being on duty, and an exceptionally fine one so far as the appearance of the men was concerned.

After the battalion had formed line and taken open order, Major-General Herbert appeared accompanied by a brilliant staff, consisting of Lieut.-Col. Houghton, D.A.G., Lieut.-Cols. Mattice and Roy, B.M., Major Ibbottson, Royal Scots, Capt. Streatfield, A.D.C., and Capt. Clerk, Hussars. The usual salute was given, but was evidently deemed unsatisfactory by the Major-General, for he ordered it to be repeated. The companies were then closely inspected, after which they were in succession called out for company drill. This was decidedly unsatisfactory, several inexcusable blunders being made by all ranks; the work was largely by sections and half-companies, to which but little attention had evidently been given. Battalion drill followed, and in this the regiment made a much better showing, although scarcely up to the mark of previous parades. The march-past was exceptionally good.

After a number of movements had been gone through, square was formed and the Major-General made a brief address to the battalion, complimenting them on those features of the drill which were well done, but laying emphasis on the poor showing in company drill. The corps then marched back to the armory and was dismissed.

To anyone who had carefully watched the previous drills of the battalion, it was evident that the official inspection did not by any means do justice to the corps. In those field movements which three hours' drill a week renders possible to practice the Victorias would hold their own with any corps in the district; in the Attack--to which all other movements should be but stepping-stones--they are thoroughly efficient, and it is most unfortunate that the Major-General had no opportunity of testing their proficiency in this work. Lieut.-Col. Starke was also hampered by the limited space in which to manoeuvre so strong a battalion, after all its preliminary drills had been performed in the open, and by the fact that he and his majors were necessarily dismounted, and thus unable to superintend the points and distances as closely as would otherwise have been the case. In short, the inspection brought out much that the corps was not proficient in, but unfortunately did not show up its admitted efficiency in many useful and practical sections of battalion drill.

A novel and most interesting feature of the inspection was the presence of the new Maxim gun, recently purchased by the regiment; although its use is not uncommon with the crack volunteer corps of England, that belonging to the Vics is the only one in Canada. The gun detachment consisted of one sergeant and six men, under command of Lieut. Mackeand. The gun was handled smartly and well, reflecting much credit on its commander and his squad.