

admiration by all branches of the service in the Mother Country. It has also an aspect of great importance and one which cannot be too widely understood in Canada, that of an advertisement of the Dominion as a centre whose influence reaches not only every portion of the Mother Country but every colony and dependency of the Empire. For this reason alone Canada could ill afford to dispense with such a practical and popular method of making herself known, and instead of any idea of minimizing this wholesome influence, efforts should be made, if possible to extend it. Should the D. R. A. find that the present limit under the Federal arrangement cannot be increased, there seems no good reason why the various provincial associations, in conjunction with their respective local government, should not contribute to the funds of the D. R. A. a specified sum per capita and nominate as many of their best shots as the subscription would cover. In some such way the team might be substantially increased and men of undoubted ability, who, for various reasons, may have missed getting into the twenty enabled to take their place in the Canadian contingent. With such a plan no Province need be left unrepresented in any year while Provincial interest would thereby be encouraged and sustained."

The Canadian Military Rifle League.

The League Programme.

The officials of the league announce that the dates of the matches this year, will be June 1st and 15th, July 6th and 20th.

The rifle and ranges will be the same as last year, but as yet it is not officially announced that free ammunition will be allowed by the Government. There is but little doubt, however, that the new Minister of Militia will stand by the course of his predecessors and allow it to the contesting teams.

As heretofore the MILITARY GAZETTE will publish the scores, in detail, of the matches.

Secretaries of Rifle Associations.

The shooting season being on hand once again, the MILITARY GAZETTE takes this opportunity of reminding the Secretaries of rifle associations that it aims at supplying riflemen all over Canada with a complete record of all rifle matches shot in Canada. Most of our regular correspondents are not riflemen, so we invite Secretaries of associations to supply us with copies of scores made in regimental or other matches, themselves, so as to ensure their being correctly reported. A clipping from the local paper will usually answer, any corrections or additions being made on the margin.

News of the Service.

NOTE.—Our readers are respectfully requested to contribute to this department all items of Military News affecting their own corps, districts or friends, coming under their notice. Without we are assisted in this way we cannot make this department as complete as we would desire. Remember that all the doings of every corps are of general interest throughout the entire militia force. You can mail a large package of manuscript, so long as not enclosed in an envelope, for one cent. At any rate, forward copies of your local papers with all references to your corps and your comrades. Address,

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Hamilton.

On Sunday April 27th, the 13th attended divine service at All Saints Church, when they listened to an eloquent address from their Chaplain, the Rev. Geo. Forneret.

It was a beautiful spring day and thousand lined the streets to see the boys in red go by to the inspiring music of their famous band. The fair sex being in great majority, all looking lovely in their new spring hats and dresses.

On the return march to the drill hall marching in column of companies and half companies was practiced.

There was a splendid turn out of the battery on Thursday evening, to practice standing gun drill and practice.

It is the intention of the battery to turn out fully horsed for the military demonstration on Queen's birthday.

Speaking about the Queen's birthday, a grand programme is being prepared for the grand military demonstration here on that day, when the two crack corps of No. 2 District will meet.

There will be brigade movements by the two regiments and a sham fight and the 13th will "troop the colors," besides other features, which as yet are kept secret.

The article appearing in the Toronto Star, to the effect that the Queen's Own were going to enter a claim, for the Gzowski cup on the grounds that the 13th won it unfairly, must surely have been without foundation, as the Queen's Own officers have never had reason to suspect the 13th of anything but honorable competition.

One of the objects of the competition is to promote a friendly feeling between the respective corps of this district and if what the Star says is so—the sooner the competition is done away with the better.

The 13th paraded 319 strong on Wednesday evening and was put through some interesting drill in half battalions, by their commanding officer.

The XIII is glad to welcome one of its old officers back again, in the person of James Harvey, who has returned after a 3 years absence in Winnipeg and the North West.

The examination of the non-commission officers class took place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. The examiners being Major McLaren and Sgt.-Major Huggins.

The Hamilton Times printed a despatch from Ottawa a while ago stating that the Forty-third battalion of Ottawa and Carleton had protested the decision granting

the Gzowski cup to the Thirteenth battalion for general proficiency. As the cup competition is limited to the city battalions of the second military district, and the Forty-third is a semi-county battalion in the fourth, there must be some mistake in regard to the matter.

Halifax.

A number of officers from different militia corps throughout the province are in Halifax taking a course of instruction at the Glacis barracks. The class commenced on April 2, and will continue for three months. Major Mellor, Lieut. Knight and Sergt Grimshaw of the Kings regt., are the commandant, adjutant and instructor respectively. The following is a complete list of the officers attending the school :

Capt C Hole, 66th.
Capt G A LeCain, 69th.
Capt A F McRae, 94th.
Capt J P McNeil, 94th.
Lieut M S Elliott, 72nd.
Lieut G M Sutherland, 78th.
2nd Lieut J E Morse, 69th.
Lieut T F Ritchie, 66th.
Lieut G A Sutherland, 78th.
2nd Lieut A Oliver, 66th.
2nd Lieut J E Harris, 69th.
2nd Lieut A D McRae, 94th.
2nd Lieut A J McNeil, 94th.
Lieut M A J McDonald, 94th.
2nd Lieut H E Sawyer, 66th.
Lieut J A G Harrington, 66th.
2nd Lieut K McPherson, 78th.
2nd Lieut R MacDonald, 93rd.
2nd Lieut W R MacKenzie, 94th.
2nd Lieut R Y MacKenzie, 94th.
2nd Lieut J A Ross, 94th.
2nd Lieut W H Conrod, 63rd.
Lieut W L Phinney, 72nd.
2nd Lieut W S Dimock, 75th.
2nd Lieut J O Fletcher, 75th.
The 69th corps belongs to Annapolis county.
The 78th to Pictou, Colchester and Hants counties.
The 93rd to Cumberland county.
The 94th to Cape Breton county.
The 75th to Lunenburg county.
The 72nd to Annapolis county.
—Halifax Echo.

The suicide of company Sgt. Major Hogan, of the Royal Engineers, has been a topic of conversation among military men here.

Hogan went home from a dance with his wife in the best of spirits, got into bed and then deliberately swallowed about five ounces of potassium cyanide. He died almost immediately.

Sgt.-Major Hogan is supposed to have committed the act while laboring under an attack of insanity.

His funeral took place on April 17th, and was largely attended.

Sergeant Manley, of the King's regiment, has been granted a commission in the Royal Inneskillen.

St. John, N. B.

The ball given on Thursday evening by the officers of the 62nd Fusiliers is the "talk of the town." The assembly hall of the Mechanics' Institute had been transformed by the tasty arrangement of bunting, rifles trophies, etc., and a profusion of roses and my flowers which festooned the walls and arches, while Chinese lanterns lighted by incan-