

## FOR A BRASS BAND

Since its inception all ranks of the 67th Battalion have evinced a keen desire to have a brass band, and notwithstanding the numerous activities in which the Battalion is engaged, the Commanding Officer has been pleased to sanction and encourage the immediate formation of one. A committee, consisting of Capt. Harbottle, president, and Lieuts. Okell and Baker, members, have been appointed to organize a band of forty-two performers. They are at present working at break-neck speed with this idea in view, and expect to shatter the record for speedy formation hung up by the Western Scots. Judging from present indications the 67th will have a band which for size, smartness and musical ability will be second to none on the Pacific Coast. Applications are coming in thick and fast from Vancouver and Seattle, and as talent to the extent of fifteen musicians has been located within the Battalion, it is expected that a band of at least twenty-five players will be practising by the end of the coming week. Corporal F. Hector Fink, formerly of the 47th Batt., Vernon, a well-known musician, is Acting-Bandmaster, and under his skillful and experienced tuition those already signed up are rapidly rounding into shape. It is reported that those masters of melody, Irving Berlin and F. Puccini, are collaborating in the composition of a military march to be played exclusively by the forty-two-piece brass band of the Western Scots.

## THE Q.M. STORES

The Battalion will be pleased to know that the only Straw Hat now on issue is at present doing detention at Work Point.

The health of the Q.M. Staff has now improved since Pte. Bartlett, No. 102012, stopped washing the dinner dishes with washing soda. If he had not been detected in the act of using washing soda there would have been a few military funerals in the Battalion. Pte. Patrick, No. 102022, endorses these remarks. He prefers a No. 9 pill.

The Q.M.S. will be pleased to learn how many sleepless nights the C.Q.M. Sergts. of No. 2 and No. 3 have had owing to the transfers and exchanges of straw hats.

Owing to the fattening effect of the excellent food provided to the men of this Battalion we are continually being requested to exchange jackets and trousers which have tightened up considerably, but we beg to intimate that we are not running a second-hand store.

The splendid time now kept by the Orderly Room clock is a tribute to the effective regulation of the same while under detention in the Q.M. Store. Our Adjutant shortened the time of detention.

The Armourer Sergeant informs us that he desires his part of the store partitioned off, as he is greatly disturbed while engaged in his landscape drawing.

Sergt. Haynes, the popular assistant to the Armourer Sergeant, is very fond of green grass, as shown by his coloring of the landscape drawing.

The Orderly Staff are now rejoicing in a more congenial atmosphere since the Q.M. Stores thought fit to come through with some stoves. As the Q.M. Stores have also received a stove, there is now no coolness between the departments.

The Q.M. Staff would like to know if the musical box belonging to Pte Jones, No. 102058, is a one-tune musical box. If so, they would like to contribute for some more tunes. Music hath charms (sometimes).

Corpl. Alexander, No. 102021, objects to the discussion of five-reel picture films at 11.30 p.m. by Ptes. Bartlett and Jones.

## RECRUITS WANTED.

Our cargoes sail for man's content  
The same as yesterday,  
And war risk's down to 2 per cent.,  
The underwriters say.

We go to lunch as natural,  
From one o'clock till two,  
Because outside of Kiel Canal  
There's those that let us do.

At five o'clock we have our tea  
And catch our usual 'bus—  
So thank the Lord for those at sea  
Who guard the likes of us.

By J. W. Kessell.

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Line of Goods, and  
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Tobaccos, Cigars and Cigarettes  
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Prohibitionists say don't drink whisky,  
Others say, don't drink beer,  
Because it makes you feel too frisky,  
And at times it makes you queer.  
But the Silver Spring has solved the question,  
And brew a Beer that has the Touch.  
The young and old, that we can mention,  
Say the only drink is our CUMTUX

For a Thirst, and a Non-Intoxicating Drink that is  
Refreshing and Satisfying

DRINK "CUMTUX"

Brewed by the Silver Spring Brewery. HARRY MAYNARD, Manager

## THE OVERSEAS DRAFT

The O.C. of the Draft Company requests that any men wishing to be married will report at the Company Orderly Room between the hours of 10.30 a.m. and high noon.

The O.C., Coy. S.M. and Platoon Sergeants, having passed their recruit class in matrimonial drill, offer their services for any occasion which may arise.

Pte. Ramsell, of No. 1 Platoon, is about to take advantage of this offer. We tender him our sincere congratulations.

The bathing parade will take place every morning at the usual hour in the company's lines.

We wish to point out that it is a criminal offence to fish in any of the various streams in the lines.

"Cheese it," says the Coy. Q.M.S.

There have been things said about black horses—re our O.C.'s black horse. Nuff sed.

What is the nature of the latest Bull (A.H.) that our India Rubber man (No. 1 Plat.) has received from the O.C.'s maid.

## THAT DRAFT AGAIN.

A private of the draft met a lady friend on Yates Street. Her first remark was: "You men of the 67th must have lots of money. I understand you have a draft at the Willows; when are you going to be able to draw on it?" He explained that the word draft meant a body of men, and he is still wondering why she left him with a disappointed look.