

responded to in a happy style and in conclusion called for three cheers for Col. Otter and his command. The banquet which was in all respects a grand success fittingly closed by all rising with one accord and joining heartily in the national anthem.

WINNIPEG.—It is the intention of the members of the 90th Battalion to put on an original play entitled "The 90th on Active Service," at the Princess Opera House about the 27th instant. This play depicts many of the most interesting scenes and incidents of the late campaign, commencing with the march out of the regiment and concluding with the capture of Batoche. While stationed at Fort Pitt, the idea of the entertainment was first started, the play was written and a number of rehearsals held on a temporary stage staked out near the ruins of the fort. The charge scene has been so arranged as to give the audience a good idea of the capture of Batoche. One of the chief features is the introduction of the camp songs and burlesque parodies, as well as the reviews and inspections of the General. Nearly 130 members of the battalion take part in the play, and the chorus singers are nearly sixty in number. The proceeds of the play will be devoted to the establishment of a fund for regimental purposes, probably in the shape of a reading room for the battalion and a gymnasium.

MONTREAL.—The 6th Fusiliers Battalion excursion takes place on the 31st, in aid of the Rifle Association, whose matches will be held on the 15th August.

EXTRACTS FROM MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS OF 24th JULY, 1885.

General Orders 16. No. 1.—Land grant to the Militia for services in the North-West in 1885.

The act passed to legalize the grants is given in full. Its provisions are strictly in accordance with the synopsis published in our No. 10. The last clause provides that the entries shall be free from the usual office dues.

NO. 2.—REGULATIONS AND ORDERS FOR THE ACTIVE MILITIA, 1883.

The following is added as sub-section (3) to paragraph 75 of the "Regulations and Orders":—

"(3). Commanding officers will report to headquarters the names of the officers belonging to their corps who are over the prescribed age, or are medically unfit for service, in order that such may be retired."

DRESS OF OFFICERS.

The following are added as sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) to par. 295:—"(2). When on duty with their corps, they will perform any required dismounted duty without change of attire. (3). When in uniform and not on duty with their corps they will wear boots under trousers."

NO. 4.—ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA.—COMMISSIONS IN THE ARMY.

Adverting to No. 2 of general orders (15) 10th July, 1885, a commission in the Infantry of Her Majesty's Regular Army has been accepted also by William George Warner, a former gentleman cadet.

NO. 5.—SPECIAL CORPS OF ACTUAL SERVICE IN THE NORTH-WEST.

Winnipeg Batt. of Inf.—Quarter-Master Sergt. John Taylor is appointed to serve temporarily in this corps with the rank of 2nd lieutenant, from 18th June, 1885, vice R. H. Hunter.

CORPS RELIEVED FROM SERVICE.

The following corps, having returned from the North-West, are hereby relieved from active service, from the date of arrival at their respective headquarters, viz.:—

Governor-General's Body Guard for Ontario.

The detachments from 2nd Batt. "Queen's Own," and 10th Batt. "Royal Grenadiers."

Company of Sharpshooters (1st Batt. G. G. F. Guards).

7th Batt. "Fusiliers."

9th Batt. Rifles "Voltigeurs de Québec."

York and Simcoe Batt.

Midland Batt.

Montreal Brigade of Garrison Artillery.

65th Batt. "Mount Royal Rifles."

Halifax Provisional Batt.

NO. 6.—ACTIVE MILITIA.

8th Reg. of Cavalry, F Troop.—To be captain, 2nd Lieut. Thomas E. Alfred Pearson, CC, vice Campbell, transferred to C Troop.

21st Batt., No. 2 Co.—To be lieut., prov., Color-Sergt. Wm. Upcott, vice John W. Beacom, left limits.

Erratum.—In No. 1 of General Orders (12) 12th June, 1885, in the appointment "to be major provisionally," read "John Cassimer Guillot," instead of "John E. Guillot."

26th Batt., No. 2 Co.—To be captain, Lieut. James Buchanan, M.S., vice Wm. Baltimore Lindsay, who retires retaining rank. To be lieut., 2nd Lieut. George Cameron Billington, M.S., vice Buchanan, promoted.

34th Batt., No. 3 Co.—*Memo.*—Adverting to the appointment of "William James Deans," in No. 2 of General Orders (11) 29th May, 1885, read "To be lieut., provisionally," instead of "To be 2nd lieut. provisionally," and read "vice Cleverdon, promoted, instead of 'Thomas Cooper Robinette, whose resignation is hereby accepted.' To be 2nd lieut., prov., Arthur Lukes Rundle, vice Robinette, resigned."

59th Batt.—To be lieut.-col., from 5th April, 1885, Major James Henry Bredin, M.S., vice Darby Bergin, who retires retaining rank, on being transferred to the medical staff.

To be majors, Roderick R. McLennan, Esquire, prov., vice Bredin, promoted. Captain Alfred Thomas Light, V.B., from No. 5 Co., vice Davey, appointed quarter-master.

No. 3 Co.—To be captain, prov., Quarter-Master Corrydon Hannibal Wood, vice Davey, promoted. To be lieut., prov., Allan Matthews Snetsinger, gentleman, vice George Ibberson Nichols, who retires retaining rank.

No. 5 Co.—To be captain, Lieut. Gordon Baker, jr., V.B., vice Light, promoted. To be lieut., 2nd Lieut. Arthur William Ault, V.B., vice Baker, promoted.

No. 6 Co.—Capt. John F. Smart retires retaining rank.

To be quarter-master, Major John Robert Davey, vice Wood, appointed captain of No. 3 Co.

88th Batt., No. 2 Co.—To be captain, Camille Bouchard, M.S., from retired list of lieutenants, vice Joseph Gauthier, deceased.

Errata.—The following mistakes in Orders of 10th July are corrected:—16th Batt.—Lieut. Cooper's certificate being 4th class he is only appointed provisionally. 28th Batt.—Lieut. Knox's first name is Wellington. 38th Batt.—Quarter-Master Harris' first name is Richard. 93rd Batt.—Lieut.-Col. Harrison's rank is for 1885 instead of 1875.

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