

again the senior cadet will present his record-hook to the permanent staff officer or staff N. C. O. nearest to his place of residence for registration for recruit-training in the Territorial Force.

On completion of his recruit and territorial training, his record-hook will be finally written-up, and shall be a certificate of proof that such person has completed his period of personal service, and is passed into the Reserve. In time this should act automatically, and no special registration be necessary except for new arrivals. Similar record-hooks to be provided for men at present serving in the Territorial Force.

RECEPTION OF REPORT.

The public state of mind attained in Australia and New Zealand, which we might well like to see in Canada, is clearly set forth in an editorial from "The Dominion" of Wellington, New Zealand, on Lord Kitchener's plan, which says "His report must appeal almost as much to the average citizen as to the expert mind trained in military matters. He has based his scheme on the assumption that the country, while properly anxious to place itself in a position to defend its shores in case of need, does not wish to create a huge standing army which must drain its resources and impoverish its people. He has taken it for granted, and rightly so, we think, that the people of New Zealand recognize that the necessity has arisen for some PERSONAL SELF-SACRIFICE on their part; that the time has come when the younger people of the Dominion, capable of bearing arms, MUST SACRIFICE A LITTLE OF THEIR TIME TO THE NATIONAL WEAL. The country under Lord Kitchener's scheme is not to be over-ridden by military rule. The permanent force is still to remain a small one; BUT THE CITIZENS THEMSELVES ARE TO BE CALLED ON TO ATTAIN THAT SKILL IN THE USE OF ARMS WHICH WILL ENABLE THEM IN TIME OF NEED TO DEFEND THEIR HOMES AND THEIR FAMILIES."

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, it seems beyond question that if we are to have a healthier, more disciplined youth in Canada, a manhood trained for the swift, unexpected day of danger, a defence force which is one in fact and not in name only, a uniform loyalty to the one flag by all the mixed nationalities in our great Dominion, we must go back to the spirit of the wholesome old militia law of our forefathers which saved our country.
