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Note and Comment.

The story that Major-General Cameron, commandant of the Royal Military College, would very shortly resign on account of ill-health is denied. It was stated that the General's successor would be Col. Bramley Ridout, who was born in Toronto and who is a graduate of the Royal Military College. Col. Ridout is at present a member of the Cameronian Highlanders. He served with distinction in Egypt, taking part in the battles of Tel-el-Kebir and Abu-Klea and in India and Burmah. He has the Burmese and Egyptian war medals and the Khedive's medal for distinguished ser-

vice. Although the originals tory about General Cameron is denied the mention of Colonel Ridout's name is interesting.

While considering it the duty of a service paper to be outspoken and persistent in condemning what it considers to be the shortcomings of the administration and system of the militia, we do not think it the duty of the service press to meddle with decisions on matters of discipline and personal duty given by the General Officer Commanding the militia, whose authority, of course, in matters of mere discipline should be paramount. We consequently do not propose to discuss the much talked of incident at headquarters, further than to remark that the whole affair appears to show that a more thorough definition of the duties and powers of the General Officer Commanding is an immediate necessity. Meantime congratulations to the Adjutant General are in order for the spontaneous expressions of affectionate sympathy and professional admiration which his difficulty drew out from all quarters of the Dominion.

There is to be during the coming summer a reorganization of the mounted police. The rifles with which they are at present equipped are to be replaced by more modern weapons, and it is also intended to form three batteries of artillery, to be stationed at central points, each battery supplied with three guns. In this way it is believed the effectiveness of the force can be greatly increased, while at the same time the number of men can be reduced.

Appreciate the "Gazette."

We have received so many kind communications from our friends lately that we cannot refrain from publishing the few following:—

"I wish you every success in your splendid undertaking."—RETIRED MAJOR, Sault Ste Marie.

"Although living in the United States I am still a Canadian, having been for some years connected with the 20th Batt. Halton Rifles and held a commission for some eleven years. I still take much pleasure in Canadian military matters through reading the GAZETTE, and wish the paper the success it deserves."—Spokane Wash.

"THE GAZETTE has made wonderful improvement, and I wish it every success."—Lt.-Col. now of the N.W.M.P.

"Your very handsome edition to hand yesterday. Could you send us half a dozen."—Dundas Ont.

"Subscriptions enclosed with congratulations on the marked improvements in the CANADIAN MILITARY GAZETTE."—Lt.-Col. at Headquarters.

The Military College.

The militia does not cost the country much, goodness knows, but one political party continues to make the mistake of pretending to think so for the sake of preaching its gospel of economy. That this is so is no less a pity for the militia than for the party concerned. But, unfortunately, there are times when the objections to militia expenditure are apparently well grounded and it is hard to argue some of the objections made out of court. Of such