

**QUEBEC'S NOMINATION FOR BISLEY.**

QUEBEC, Sept. 28—Having in your last issue advocated the selection of next year's commandant or adjutant of the Bisley team from this city, it may not be out of place to bring forward the name of a representative for the latter position. Major J. Secretan Dunbar, of the 8th Royal Rifles, would prove a good choice for the position. A keen soldier, and very much interested in rifle shooting, his selection would give satisfaction to all hands and would be a fitting recognition of the claims of the Garrison City for representation in that capacity.

On the 5th inst. the Queen invested Capt. Kenneth J. R. Campbell, of the Suffolk Regiment, with the Distinguished Service Order, in recognition of his services on the west coast of Africa. Captain Campbell is a Quebec boy, and the honor conferred upon him is fully appreciated by his friends. He is an ex-cadet of the Royal Military College of Canada and has always taken a deep interest in the welfare of the R.M.C. Club, of which he is a member.

The artillery camp at the Island of Orleans will take place this week. Detachments from the Royal Canadian Artillery have prepared the place and pitched the necessary tents, etc. The following is the composition of the staff: Camp commandant, Major A. A. Farley, R.C.A.; adjutant and quartermaster, Major W. E. Imlah, R.C.A.; range officer, Capt. J. A. Fages, R.C.A.; score keeper, Master-Gunner Lavie; camp sergt.-major, Co. Sergt.-Major A. Fellows; camp quartermaster-sergeant, Bomb. Croft; in charge of ammunition laboratory, Sergt. Carroll.

The High School Cadets have commenced drill under the instruction of Quartermaster-Sergt. Wood, R.C.A. His past services with the cadets fully testify to the good work he performs.

The annual matches of the Q.O.C. Hussars Rifle Association came off at the ranges, St. Joseph de Levis, on the 12th inst. Among others present were Major Hethrington, Surgeon Elliott and Capt. R. E. W. Turner. The duty of range officer was performed by Lieut. R. J. Davidson, of the 8th R.R. The cup presented by Capt. R. E. W. Turner was won by Sergt. E. Woodley.

Major R. W. Rutherford, R.C.A., and Sergt.-Instructor Bridgeford left the city on the 12th inst. for Charlottetown, P.E.I., to assist at the camp which is to take place there.

Major B. A. Scott, 61st Batt., of Roberval, Lake St. John, was in the city for a few days last week.

Mr. John Smith died on the evening of the 20th inst. at the age of 71 years. He was connected with the Military Stores Department in this city for some 26 years. He was formerly a member of the Royal Artillery.

The brigade camp in this district is prettily located at St. Joseph de Levis. It consists purely of infantry, comprising the 17th Batt., Lieut.-Col. Desjardins; 81st, Lieut.-Col. Dussault; 87th, Lieut.-Col. Laurin; 88th, Lieut.-Col. Fraser, and the 92nd, Major Chabot commanding.

Lieut.-Col. T. J. Duchesnay, D.O.C. 7th M.D., is in command of the camp. Major Vien, Levis Garrison Artillery, is supply officer. There are some 1,400 men under canvas. The following N.C.O.'s of the R.C.A. are attached for duty: Hospital Sergt. O'Hagan as brigade hospital sergeant; Sergt. W. Jordan as brigade quartermaster sergeant, and Sergt. Lafleur as brigade sergeant-major. The camp has been unfortunate as regards the weather, there having already been some days of rain, which interfered with the work in hand. Lieut. H. A. Panet, R.C.A., in addition to his duties as musketry instructor, is also provost marshal.

Sunday proving a fine day, large numbers of visitors were to be seen about the camp.

Major-General W. J. Gascoigne is expected to reach here at the latter part of the week and will inspect the camp.

Capt. H. du P. Casgrain, R.E., who has been out on leave, left for England on Monday.

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**SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST RIFLEMEN.**

HALIFAX, N.S., Sept. 28.—There seems to be a good deal of trouble just now among the riflemen at Halifax. The discord in the 63rd Rifles is still going on. Now there is a probability that several of the 66th men will have to answer for their alleged misdeeds in a court of justice. The grand jury, it is said, will be asked to decide, and the complaint is lodged by a justice of the Supreme Court. The justice in question resides, during the summer, near the Bedford ranges, and he and his family have been much annoyed and alarmed by the recklessness of several marksmen, who, when returning from the ranges, discharge their rifles on the public road. The matter has been reported several times to the D.A.G. and officer commanding, but they replied that they were unable to deal with the matter and advised that recourse be made to the law. Only a few days ago a number of men stopped near the judge's house and used the mile post of the railway for a target. It is stated that several non-coms. of the 66th will be implicated. The present complainant appealed to General Laurie some years ago, so that this is not the first that has been heard of a very foolish and reckless proceeding on the part of those who should have more sense than use a rifle on the public roadway, or indeed, anywhere except at the firing point. Surely there must be a laxity somewhere when the men are allowed to carry ammunition about with them in such a manner. If it is true that non-coms. are among the delinquents they should be severely punished and dismissed the service, as going in direct opposition to the authority invested in them.

The refusal of the commanding officer of the 63rd to allow a military funeral to one of the members of the regiment is creating a great deal of dissatisfaction among the members of the regiment. No doubt the colonel had good reasons for not allowing a military funeral, but even although there was no band, the request of the company to which the deceased belonged to attend might have been granted. The colonel, however, expressed a desire to do anything he could other than a military funeral.

Another evidence of the bad condition of the ranges has appeared at Bedford. Owing to the recent rains a washout was caused and it was found necessary to have the target practice of the 66th carried out in detachments instead of having the whole battalion out at once.

The other night a cowardly attack was made upon the sentry that patrols Sackville St. Two toughs tried to take his rifle, and but for the timely assistance of a police officer, would have been much more seriously injured. Under the circumstances the soldier could have shot his assailants.

During the past year 204 prisoners were received at the military prison, Halifax; 44 were sentenced by court martial and 143 were sentenced summarily by commanding officers. The remaining 17 were naval prisoners. The prisoners were set to work at different jobs, and they, averaging 16, earned over \$1,000.

**TORONTO NEWS.**

TORONTO, Sept. 26.—Fall drill may now be said to be fairly under way, each of the infantry regiments having had two drills apiece, and from the parade states and general appearance of the men, there appears to be no lack of the usual enthusiasm after the summer vacation, and each and every one is making the