TRANSPORT SECTION

The Section is coming along fine and when we get our new issue of cavalry cloaks, riding breeches and spurs, we shall be "some pumpkins."

The boys are getting on to the cavalry drill pretty well, and all hands say they prefer "sections right" to "form fours."

All hands have been hard at work learning to tie different kinds of knots, hitches, etc., and are becoming very expert.

We have noticed that Pte. McArdle is very particular now to tie his shoe laces with a true "reef knot," and is particular about putting a correct double hitch in fastening his puttees.

The Section has been taking the course in First Aid to the wounded. This will be very useful to them as they will be able to apply their knowledge in case the horses get injured. Pte. Johnson wants to know if it would be correct to use his foot to put his horse's jaw back into place in case of dislocation.

Pte. Suttie, after purchasing a pair of extra socks down town on Saturday night (late), was observed trying to secure the parcel to his person by means of the "Diamond Hitch." He arrived home safely.

PAY PARAGRAPHS

Last, but not least, to appear in the "Western Scot," the hardworking Pay Department! Although we have been in print once or twice before through reflections on this department by some of the other sections, we keep smiling and pay the men twice a month just the same.

It should be noted for future reference, in view of many applications for same, that separation allowance cannot be claimed for the following: Cousins and nephews, aunts and uncles, family pets, grandfathers and grandmothers, sisters and brothers; also sundry relatives not in existence.

A census is to be taken of the Battalion under the supervision of the Pay Department, to find out how many men know the difference between their initials and their signatures, it being announced on the middle of the month "Every man initial only," and irrespective of this, nine men out of ten will endeavor to give us their family history in detail, for generations back, until we have to take the pencil out of their hands. So come on fellows, initials in the middle of the month, and signature at the end of the month.

Don't be downhearted. If we overpay you one month we'll take it off the next month's pay.

It might be noted that a certain sergeant was accused of having a sweet tooth, by a well known section. He pleads guilty, and if K.R. & O. lays down a penalty for it all well and good, but as it does not, the section in question does not want to let its appetite stretch in other directions known and heard of quite frequently.

"CASH ON HAND."

OBSERVATIONS

There are worse things than a row. The wildest colts make the safest horses; all depends on the breaking.

He jests at scars, who never felt a wound.

Every man gets his chance to make a fool of himself; some get several chances every day and never miss one.

A married man's pluck is proverbial. He never loses heart, for it is safe in his wife's keeping.

Scots' love—"one heart between two." In answer to the statement of Sour Willie, that a man enters his second child-hood when a woman gets hold of him.

The remarks anent the pipe-major's kilt these cold days were uncalled for. It was at the tailor's shop being let out. The Kilties have a good case against breeks. The kilt always is smart looking, no matter how old it is. It is never tight, too long or too short, and it does not burst nor need patches nor have buttons sewn on it, nor have to be pressed and cleaned. It outlasts fifty pairs of trousers. It is the healthiest garment known. Without drawers it is warmer than trousers. It is the ideal campaigning garb and the girls all love it!!!

Judging Distance (Old Style)

At 80 yards you can see a man's eyes.

At 150 yards you can see the buttons of his tunic.

At 400 yards the face becomes a dot, but the movement of arms and legs is quite visible.

At 1,000 yards a line of men looks like a belt, but the direction of march is still plain.

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