

him for his kindly expression, and was in receipt of a pleasant reply. The whole constituted a red-letter event in the history of the Association. Although no detachment was to be sent over this season, he hoped ten years would not elapse before the Canadians were again represented in the Artillery competitions in England. Concluding, he thanked the Association sincerely for its kind expressions. His Excellency stated that it was his intention to continue his support to this, as also to the Rifle Association, by donating prizes for competition.

It was moved by Lt.-Colonel Cole, and seconded by Captain MacNachtan, "that the thanks of the Association are due and are hereby tendered to the government and to Parliament through the Hon. Sir Richard Cartwright, acting Minister of Militia, for the continuance of the annual grants in aid of the funds of the Association."—Carried.

Colonel Panet, Deputy Minister of Militia, replied on behalf of Sir Richard Cartwright, who was unavoidably prevented from being present. Personally he was supposed to hold the purse strings as close as possible, but ~~he was~~ glad to acknowledge the good work the Artillerymen had accomplished, and would further acknowledge his inclination towards the increase which the Association now asks. Speaking for Hon. Dr. Borden, he could assure those present that he was particularly inclined towards the whole force.

It was moved by Lt.-Colonel Cole, seconded by Captain MacNachtan, "That whereas the Dominion Artillery Association has heretofore been in receipt of the sum of \$2,900, annually voted by Parliament for some time past, firstly intended to meet the expense of sending a team to compete with the Artillery corps of the various portions of the Empire in the competitions annually held at Shoeburyness, and latterly devoted to the general purposes of the Association in promoting efficiency among its units.

"Whereas the above sum has been found inadequate to allow of more than occasional participation in the above competition, and then only when largely assisted by private contributions.

"Whereas the competitions at Shoeburyness, with the opportunities offered, constitute a most valuable source of instruction, and the participation of Canadians in them tends to greatly increase the efficiency of the Artillery service and promote an interest in and strong regard for Canada and Canadians generally.

"Whereas there had been an increase in the number forming the team to compete at Shoeburyness from 21 to 29, thus adding considerable to the expense.