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Editorials.

A MCGILL COMPANY OF ENGINEERS.

We are glad to be able to announce that active steps are being taken towards the formation of a corps of engineers in the college.

The officers and men are to be selected from the

different Faculties, and the proposed company strength is seventy-five rank and file.

The Inspector of Engineers is a most enthusiastic advocate of the scheme. The corps is to be perfectly independent of any other city organization, and therefore will be able to select hours for drill and parade that will not interfere with college work.

The drill is very much more interesting and varied than that of any other branch of the service, and at the same time more difficult and more suited to the superior intelligence of University undergraduates. The prospects of annual camps, rifle matches, etc., will add to the popularity of the University Engineers as a means of healthy, harmless and enjoyable recreation. We should have, and, no doubt, will have, at McGill in a few years the best corps of volunteer engineers in Canada. An instructor is to be imported from the standing army of England, who will also act as armorer, and will be a useful man to have connected with the Science Faculty.

If the Government grant the necessary funds for a well equipped corps, men from all the Faculties will soon be forthcoming to fill the ranks to repletion. What a fine front rank of six-footers the Medical Faculty alone could turn out!

It is to be remembered that Engineers are the highest branch of the service, and in event of their being called out for actual service, the privates have duties of non-commissioned officers, in charge of infantry parties preparing defences, laying out camps, etc. The promoters of the scheme are daily expecting to hear definitely from Ottawa, so there is every prospect of our having a jolly camp of McGill volunteers next spring.

WHO ARE THE UNIVERSITY'S FRIENDS?

Who are most capable of naming the true friends of McGill? Certainly not those who are often ready on short notice to frame a reply to this question. Some try to do so. Fortunately they are not numerous, but they are persistent, and endowed with a supreme regard for the correctness of their own judgment. They will tell off-hand how one person is doing or attempting to do harm to the University, and how another person should alter his course if his aims were really conscientious and return to the right path—or what they deem the right path to be. No