

The report of the council showed that during 1886 the association made substantial progress, and is now in a flourishing condition. The donations and grants to the association during the year aggregated the handsome amount of \$1,548.00, and the treasurer's statement showed that there was a cash balance on hand of \$188.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PRINCE OF WALES RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Montreal.—The fifteenth annual meeting of the Prince of Wales Rifle association was held in the Sergeants' mess on Saturday evening. Lieut.-Col. Bond occupied the chair, and among those present were Major Butler, Capt. Campbell, Capt. Henshaw, Capt. Godfrey, Capt. Scott, and about fifty others.

The secretary-treasurer, Quartermaster Sergeant Elliott, read his annual report, which showed that the association had 235 members. Besides the Government allowance of ammunition (over 5,000 rounds) there were about 4,000 rounds purchased by the association. Marking was again provided by the association, which enabled the members to go to the ranges twice a week. Reference was made to the association not having had a team at any of the rifle matches last season, which was owing to so many of the old shots being out of town. Four monthly matches were held during the year. In order to put the members on a better footing twenty-five Martini-Henry and long Snider rifles had been borrowed from the Government. Reference was also made to the death of Private A. McAfee, one of the oldest and best shots of the regiment. The financial statement showed a satisfactory balance on hand.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Lieut.-Col. Bond; vice-president, Major Butler; secretary-treasurer, Quartermaster Sergt. Elliott; assistant secretary-treasurer, Color-Sergt. McCrae; committee, Captains Hanson, Henshaw and Godfrey, Color-Sergt. Ferguson, Sergt.-Major Porteous, Private G. Cooke, Private Madden and Private Keough; delegate to the Provincial association, Capt. Campbell. Major Butler and Capt. Henshaw were appointed to represent the association at the proposed meeting with reference to the jubilee cup.

It was decided to purchase a supply of Martini-Henry ammunition, to be sold to the members at a reduced rate.

A committee was appointed to revise the by-laws of the association.—*Gazette.*

Militia General Orders, No. 4, of 11th March, 1887.

No. 1.—REGULATIONS AND ORDERS FOR THE ACTIVE MILITIA, 1883.
Organization—Active Militia.

The following has been added as sub-section (1) to paragraph 43 of regulations and orders, 1883:—

“(1) When a corps is disbanded and removed from the list of corps of the active militia, it is to be understood that the officers thereof, except those whose names are specially mentioned as being permitted to retire retaining rank, are at the same time also removed from the list of officers of the active militia.”

No. 2.—SCHOOLS OF MILITARY INSTRUCTION.

Barracks—Quarters.

The following has been added after the scale of quarters, specified in No. 1 general orders (3) 25th January, 1884:—

“In case of staff and departmental officers the scale to be assigned will be governed by the relative rank as fixed by regulation for the appointment they hold.”

No. 3.—ACTIVE MILITIA.

The P. L. D. Guards.—To be lieut. prov., Robert Brown, vice Harold Waldruf Keefer, deceased.

1st Prov. Brig. F. A.—No. 1 F. B.—To be lieut. prov., Corpl. William Alexander Knowles, vice Davidson, promoted.

2nd Batt.—To be major, Capt. Joseph Martin Delamere, V.B., vice Allan, promoted.

To be captains: Lieut. Charles Corbishley Bennett, V.B., vice Kersteman promoted; Lieut. Percival Lawrence Mason, M.S., vice Macdonald, appointed adjutant. Lieut. George Acheson retires retaining rank.

14th Batt.—Capt. John Rowland Shannon resigns.

15th Batt.—To be major: Capt. Thomas Cameron Lazier, G.S.I., from the adjutancy, vice James Waters Dunnet, who retires retaining rank.

Capt. James Ernest Walmsley retires retaining rank.

Capt. William Charles Mikel and Lieut. Cyril Wrangham Bird resigns.

20th Batt.—No. 5 Co.—The headquarters of this company are changed from “Nelson” to “Burlington.”

22nd Batt.—No. 6 Co.—The name of 2nd Lieut. John Fisher is removed from the list of officers of the active militia.

35th Batt.—No. 3 Co.—Capt. Hugh McD. Clarke resigns and reverts to the retired list of captains.

36th Batt.—No. 7 Co.—The headquarters of this company are changed from “Mono Mills” to “Shelburne.”

To be captain: Capt. Edward E. Williams, M.S., from No. 8 company, vice James A. Patterson who resigns.

To be lieut. prov., Robert A. Rikey, Henry promoted.

To be 2nd lieut. prov., Thomas John Ryan, vice McCandles.

Surgeon John Knight Riddall, M.D., to have the rank of surgeon-major from 11th January, 1887.

38th Batt.—To be lieut.-col. Major John Batlachey, V.B., vice Charles Stephen Jones, who retires retaining rank.

40th Batt.—No. 7 Co.—To be captain: 2nd Lieutenant Charles Blackstock Greer, S.I., vice Duncan, appointed adjutant.

To be lieut. prov., George Edward Rowcliffe Wilson, vice Frederick Russell Bailey, left limits.

44th Batt.—No. 1 Co.—The headquarters of this company are changed from “Drummondville” to “Niagara Falls.”

No. 8 Co.—The headquarters of this company are changed from “Fenwick” to “Sand Hill.”

49th Batt.—No. 6 Co.—*Memo.*—Adverting to No. 3 of general orders (21) 24th November, 1882, in which “John Wilson Arnott” is appointed “to be lieut.” insert the word “prov.” immediately after “lieut.” and substitute “(G.S. 4th Class)” for “G.S.”

Prov. Batt. Rifles, Dist. Algoma.—No. 1 Co.—To be captain: Lieut. Thomas Henry Elliott, M.S., vice Ray promoted.

No. 2 Co., Fort William.—To be captain: John Niblock, M.S., formerly captain No. 6 company, 26th Batt.

To be lieut. prov., John Sidney Smith.

To be 2nd lieut. prov., Charles James McLennan.

No. 3 Co., Rat Portage.—To be captain, prov., Angus Carmichael.

To be lieut. prov., Gustavus Adolphus Kobold.

To be 2nd lieut. prov., Howard Fenwick Holmes.

1st Batt.—To be lieuts. prov., Hubert Story Hunter, vice Bradshaw, resigned. Robert Henry Wilson, vice Henshaw, resigned. Frederick Austin Bourne, vice Gambier, resigned.

To be 2nd lieut. prov., Stanley Kinnear, vice Benjamin Taylor Andrew Bell, left limits.

3rd Batt.—To be lieut.: 2nd Lieut. and Lieut. Duncan Macpherson, R.M.C., vice Abbott, resigned.

To be 2nd lieut. prov., Edward Patrick Guy, vice Macpherson promoted.

65th Batt.—To be 2nd lieut. prov., from 4th February, 1887: Francois Samuel Mackay, vice J. A. Villeneuve, promoted.

N. B. Brig. G. Art.—No. 3 Bat.—To be lieut. from 4th Feb., 1887: 2nd Lieut. George Kerr McLeod, R.S.A., from No. 2 Bat., vice Hedley Vickers Cooper, who resigns.

67th Batt.—No. 3 Co.—To be 2nd lieut. Sergt. Willard Judson Carr, S.I., (1st B.) vice Kirkpatrick promoted.

2nd Lieut. and Adjutant Arthur John Raymond, S.I., to have the rank of lieut., from 1st May, 1886.

1st H. Brig. G. Art.—To be 2nd lieut. prov., Percy James Arlington Lear, vice Charles Alexander Robson.

63rd Batt.—To be 2nd lieut., Richard Blackmore, junior, S.I., (1st B.), vice Gunning, promoted.

Memo.—Adverting to the appointment of 2nd Lieut. Woolrich in No. 5 of general orders (3) 4th February, 1887, read “vice Fiske” instead of “vice James.”

90th Batt.—To be lieut.-col. from 14th February, 1887: Major Charles Musgrove Boswell, M.S., vice Alfred Mackeand, deceased.

To be major, from 14th February, 1887: Capt. Henry Norlande Ruttan, V.B., Boswell, promoted.

To be captains, from 22nd October, 1886: Christopher Graburn, V.B., from retired list of lieuts., vice Dudley Smith, who resigns.

Michael Thomas Feron, prov., vice Pilsworth.

To be 2nd lieuts. prov., from 22nd October, 1886: Alexander McIntyre, vice Frank P. Gnaffe, who resigns. David Huston.

Emerson Infantry Company.

This company having become disorganized, it is hereby removed from the list of corps of the active militia.

Confirmation of Rank.

Lieut. John G. Sheriff, S.I., No. 8 Co., 82nd Batt. from 30th November, 1886.

No. 4.—CERTIFICATES GRANTED.

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First Class Short Course Grade B.

Sergt. G. L. Ward, 68th Batt.; Sergt. T. G. Marquis, 73rd Batt.; Sergt. A. J. Stevens, Pte. J. B. Davis, 74th Batt.; Sergt. F. Boulter, 82nd Batt.

Second Class Short Course Grade B.

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