

"NUTS AND RATIONS."

When spring does come she had better not make her approach too sudden, otherwise she might get drowned.

We listened to a discussion between two Sappers the other evening at Supper, in the Mens Mess, and would here like to register our opinion, that if our friends from the Otherside consider it good enough to come from the States to join the Canadian Engineers, it is certainly up to them to remember that their allegiance is now sworn to King George.

They have taken the Oath, and we would ask them to remember that, during discussion, it is not always pleasing to sit still and listen to adverse criticism upon our ways and means. We, being Soldiers of the Greatest Empire the world has ever seen, resent these attacks which tend to create friction.

We extend a hearty welcome to our friends as Brothers and Comrades but would ask them to remember the oft quoted saying about doing in Rome as the Romans do. The particular Sapper we refer to stated that he only came in because he was tired of all this fighting and wanted to get over to France and finish the whole bally affair up and done with. Big talk! we admire the spirit. "I come from Mass'," was a favourite remark of his. Personally we are afraid he used the first letter as a sort of camouflage.

There was great rejoicing amongst some of the Depôt over the acquisition, by the Engineers, of a Piper. If one may judge by the remarks in last week's "Knots and Lashings"). Piper be D— blowed. It was our fortune to be present at a "Burns celebration" in Montreal last January, and we confess it was the piper who spoiled an otherwise enjoyable evening. Doctor Johnson used to say the pipes sound well at a distance,—the greater the distance the better.

An opinion endorsed by

PAT.

GRAND CONCERT IN SERGEANTS MESS. PROGRAMME

- Comic Song—Oh! Where is my beer tonight? C.S.M. Evans
- Recitation—Barrels, beers, and vessels (with action) . . Sgt. J. F. Bell
- Comic Song—I go to church each Sunday like a soldier
and a man Sgt. J. Boyd
- Song—The Forester's farewell (with liquid accom-
paniment) Sgt. McLaren
- Impersonation—Cohen on the telephone Sgt. Henson
- Comic Song—The bloomin' barf's a leakin' an' the
water pipes is bust Sgt. Caddy
- Song—Don't go down in the mine dad! Sgt. McIntyre
- Comic Song—"Fifty-fifty" (New York's latest hit) . . Sgt. Lowman
- Comic Song—I'm all alone Sgt. Ayres
- Comic Song—When I come back I shall return . . . Staff Sgt. Barr
- Comic Song—Any Rags, any bones, any bottles
today? R.Q.M.S. Beauchamp
- Song—My own dear Lizzie (with violin accompaniment) C.S.M. Lear
- Song—He's handsome as the flowers in May C.S.M. Estey

Editor's Note:—We have no information when this Concert is coming off—we'd like to be there though.—We don't understand why Sgt. Thompson is not singing his old favourite "Left! right! Left! right! Right in the thick of the fight," and it surprises us to know that the R.S.M. is not on the program with "The Prisoner's farewell".

There was a young man so be-
nighted
He didn't know when he was
slighted;
He'd go to a party,
And eat just as hearty
As though he'd been really invited.

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