

regimentals, and by the same token it makes one think that there is something of a resemblance to Staff-Sergt. Harp, in the attitude and statue. The reverse of the card, as a centre-piece, shows a shield surmounted by the Lion and Unicorn, and on which are inscribed the names of the Board of Management. Around these, and grouped very nicely by companies, are blocks, which contain the names of every member of the Mess.

The Committee have every reason to feel gratified at the splendid success which attended their efforts, and the fruit of their hard work was enjoyed to the fullest by all present.

The Officers of the Mess are as follows :—

Sergt.-Major A. G. Robertson.

President—Staff-Sergt. W. Harp.

Vice do.—Col.-Sergt. G. M. McBean.

Secretary—Sergt. A. C. McEvoy.

Treasurer—Color-Sergt. H. Rose.

Committee—Color-Sergt. W. H. Stewart, Sergt. A. G. Fraser, Sergt. W. D. Davidson.

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P. W. Ellis & Co., of King street, display in their window a specimen three-quarter figure photograph of Major-General Roberts, and which, at his request, has been presented to the Canadian Military Institute.

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A valuable member of the Queen's Own shortly severs his connection with the Regiment, to accept a lucrative position in Warton. Color-Sergt. J. Agnew, "F" Co., has accepted the position of Solicitor to the town, and while deeply regretting the removal, all join in wishing that the greatest success and prosperity may accompany him to his new field. Color-Sergt. Agnew has been one of the shooting strength of the Regiment, and last year won the Cup in "F" Co. for the season's aggregate.

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The examination of the men desiring to qualify for non-commissioned officers in the 48th Highlanders, came to a close on Monday, February 20th. The examining officers were Capt. MacDougall, No. 2 Co. C.R.I., and Col. Davidson, 48th.

The bayonet team, under Sergt. Hollinger, was also inspected, and received high praise from Capt. MacDougall, who said he had never seen it performed better. The men of the team all received certificates to show that they were competent to perform the bayonet exercise.

On the Saturday afternoon before the examination the class was photographed in front of the U. C. College, the men turned out in full dress, bonnet and kilt, and it was rather a severe test, as the afternoon was very cold.

We append the result of the examination. The possible number of marks obtainable was 500, 100 being allowed for each subject. These were Squad drill, Arm drill, Company drill, Battalion drill, and Guard mounting.

Lance-Corp. A. Beattie, "B" Company, 415 marks.

Lance-Sergt. J. Templeman, "B" Co., 395 "

Lance-Sergt. J. Davidson, "A" Co., 392 "

Private A. Grindley, "D" Co., 390 "

Private G. Thomas, "F" Co., 373 "

Sergt. A. Florence, "D" Co., 367 "

Corporal H. Smellie, "H" Co., 367 "

Lance-Corporal G. B. Hunter, "D" Co., 358 "

Corp. J. C. Smith, "D" Co., 356 "

Private S. V. Jones, "A" Co., 353 "

Corporal J. Florence, "E" Co., 351 "

Private T. Dawson, "D" Co., 342 "

Private H. Craig, "E" Co., 314 "

Private A. McGregor, "A" Co., 312 "

Lance-Corporal A. Ogilvie, "D" Co., 311 "

Private Gordon Smith, "D" Co., 304 "

Corp. J. McLean, "C" Co., 293 "

Private H. Dixon, "A" Co., 283 "

Private T. Faulkner, "D" Co., 281 "

Private J. McKenzie, "F" Co., 281 "

Private J. O'Brien, "C" Co., 276 "

Private A. Moore, "G" Co., 269 "

Private A. Mack, "A" Co., 253 "

Private J. Caskie, "A" Co., 234 "

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The annual meeting of the officers of the 48th Highlanders was held on 7th inst. Major Cosby presided as Lieut.-Col. Davidson was unavoidably absent. The financial statement for the year was presented and was highly satisfactory. The amount expended for equipment, etc., for the year, was about \$25,000, of which the Government allowance was about one-sixth, the rest being subscribed by friends of the regiment. Major Henderson and Lieut. Campbell were appointed auditors. A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Merritt and the ladies of the city of Toronto for the colours presented to the regiment, also to D. Ritchie & Co., of Montreal, for the "Old Chum" trophy cup. Officers were then selected as follows for the year :—Regimental Committee, Capt. D. M. Robertson, Capt. D. MacGillivray, Capt. John Michie; Rifle Committee, Major Macdonald, Major Henderson, and Lieut. Ramsay; Band Committee, Major Cosby, Capt. R. S. Cassels, Capt. Currie; Mess Committee, Capt. Hendrie, Lieut. D. H. McLean and Assistant Surgeon Dame. Regimental drill will begin shortly. It is about decided that the regiment will go to Hamilton on May 24th. There is still some talk of going to Chicago this summer, but a definite decision has not yet been arrived at. A large number of recruits are joining the recent classes.

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The third annual meeting of the shareholders of the Canadian Military Institute was held on 6th inst. The following officers were elected: Directors, Capt. A. B. Lee, Q.O.R.; Mr. R. C. LeVesconte, Q.O.R.; Major W. C. Macdonald, 48th Highlanders; Dr. J. E. Elliott, T.F.B.; Major T. D. Hay, R.G.; Capt. J. Sloan, G.G.B.G.; Mr. Robert Myles, T.F.B.; Capt. J. C. McGee, Q.O.R.; Capt. G. P. Eliot, late R.G.; Sec.-Treas., Mr. H. F. Wyatt. After the election of officers Lieut.-Col. H. Smith, D.A.G., London, delivered a lecture on "The Best Mode of Enlisting and Training a City Corps of the Active Militia Under Existing Conditions," Major Mason, of the Royal Grenadiers, in the chair. There was a good attendance. The speaker, although a permanent corps officer, was not in favour of a larger standing force, and believed thoroughly in defence by the people and for the people. The authorities in Canada have decided on the armament, pay, and equipment, and the militiamen have accepted the situation. The force was not a mercenary one; it gave more than it received. He was opposed to the militia covering up the weakness of the system by voluntary contributions of funds and equipment. In the naval militia the men are enlisted for the company and not for the battalion. In the city corps men are taken on for the battalion. The commanding officer is responsible to the authorities for the efficiency, but has nothing to say as to the selection of the rank and file, and in practice he has very little to say, the company officers having the selection of the men. No man should, he said, be permitted to take part in battalion drill until he had been thoroughly instructed in all his drills. There was too much show and too little utility for the money spent. The lecture was much appreciated, and Lieut.-Col. Smith received a hearty vote of thanks for his trouble. Mr. Marshall P. Wilder and Lieut.-Col. Prior, M.P., paid the Institute a visit, and were warmly received.

KINGSTON.

At the conclusion of the recent hockey match between the R. M. C. Cadets and the officers of the 1st Prince of Wales' Rifles, the Montrealers were right royally entertained by the Cadets at the Military College. It was one of the most enjoyable little suppers given in this city for a long time—it could hardly help being such, for the *menu* was good and all present were "Jolly good fellows." The health of both teams and the ladies were enthusiastically honored and ably responded to, Captain Lefevre being particularly happy in his remarks. After the bill of fare had been fully enjoyed, an adjournment was made to the music room, where speeches, songs, etc., were enjoyed. A number of ladies were present, and the additional presence of wit, beauty and high spirits made the evening pass all too quickly. At 12 o'clock Capt. Lefevre suggested that, being in Her Majesty's service, the Cadets and the Rifles had better retire at a seasonable hour, and accordingly the gathering broke up, all expressing the sentiment, "Happy to meet and loth to part." But the Rifles were not to escape so easily—they yet had to undergo