

turn out for drill. On Saturday, September 5, the battery will parade at one o'clock and proceed to Verdun for preliminary firing, for which purpose a range will be laid across the Lachine Rapids. The regular field firing will take place at Laprairie, on Monday, September 7.

Capt. E. F. Wurtele, of Quebec, exhibited on Friday evening, in the Montreal Military Institute, a sample of the Lewis equipment. There was a good attendance of officers. An extended report will appear in our next issue.

FORT GEORGE.

LECTURES AT THE R.C.A. INSTITUTE.

QUEBEC, August 27.—Major A. A. Farley, R.C.A., has left on the Campana for a trip round the lower ports. Capt. W. H. Davidson, and Mr. A. E. Swift, of the 8th Royal Rifles, attended the P.Q.R.A. matches in Montreal.

Among others introduced to the privileges of the Quebec Garrison Club during the current month were: Major L. E. Frenette, of Montreal; Capt. R. Costigan, 3rd Field Battery, Montreal; Capt. Ibbotson, 5th Royal Scots, Montreal, and Col. A. G. Dickinson, of New York.

Major John Houlston, 86th Batt., passed through the city on his way to the summer resorts for a few days' holidays.

Capt. T. Benson, R.C.A., is away on leave with his family.

Major T. Hethrington, Q.O.C.H., spent a few days at River du Loup.

A detachment from "B" Field Battery, proceeded to the Island of Orleans on the 19th inst., for the purpose of testing some of the ammunition manufactured at the cartridge factory here. Mr. J. A. Benyon was in command of the detachment. Thirty rounds were fired, divided as follows: 20 common and 10 shrapnel shells. Capt. F. M. Gaudet, superintendent of the cartridge factory, was also present.

An excursion took place on the 12th inst., under the auspices of the Quadrille Club of the R.C.A. The steamer Brothers was used for the purpose, and the trip was round the Island of Orleans. The excursion was a success and was attended by some 200 persons or more. Fine weather was the order of the day and an enjoyable trip the result. The band of the regiment was in attendance.

It is anticipated that the Executive officers of the R. C. A. Institute will shortly take measures to arrange for a series of lectures in their rooms for the coming winter. The means available in the way of a lecture room are excellent, and with a large number of officers in the garrison, no difficulty should be met with in obtaining their services in this connection.

The fortification walls round the city require to be looked after and repaired and should not be neglected any longer. With an excellent representation in the Federal Parliament, Quebec will doubtless receive greater attention than in the past.

No. 1. Company of the R.C.A., who were in camp at St. Joseph de Levis, returned to the Citadel on the 17th inst. under the command of Major R. W. Rutherford, and were replaced by No. 2 Company under the command of Capt. Fages.

A meeting of the 8th R. R. Rifle Association was held on the evening of the 20th inst. at the drill hall, at which were present, Capt. H. J. Lamb, Messrs. R. Davidson, Sharples and A. E. Swift, Serjts. Hull and Norton, Corpl. Stobo and Pte. McKean. Capt. Lamb occupied the chair.

PATROL.

SENT DOWN FOR STEALING A SNIDER.

HALIFAX, N.S., Aug. 28.—On the 13th inst. Major and Adj. Oxley, 1st C.A., prosecuted a citizen named Thomas Lawrence for stealing a Snider rifle, the property of the Dominion Government and in charge of the 1st C.A. The rifle was issued to Gunner S. Brown for annual target practice and was

stolen from his residence. Lawrence was found guilty and was sentenced to 40 days' imprisonment or pay a fine of \$20. He went to jail.

Company Serjt.-Major Candy, Royal Engineers, died rather unexpectedly on the 14th. The band of the Berkshire Regiment played at the funeral, which was attended by Col. Leach, V.C., C.B., and officers of the Royal Engineers, besides many officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the garrison, as well as many civilian friends of the deceased, who was a singer of much ability and a well-known cricketer.

It is expected that the 1st C.A. will go into camp at MacNab's Island for 12 days' drill and gun practice, commencing on the 7th September. The companies from the outlying districts will have one week, commencing on the 21st. The 9 and 10-inch guns at Ives Point Battery will be used for drill purposes. The firing will be from guns of the same calibre from York Redoubt.

WITH THE ARMY.

LONDON, ENG., August 15.—Lieut.-Col. Cotton, Royal Canadian Artillery; Lieut.-Col. Gordon, Royal Canadian Infantry, and Major Roy, brigade-major Montreal district, were examined at Aldershot, as to their tactical fitness for command, the other week.

The 1st Batt. Leinster Regiment left Tipperary for Kilworth for summer manoeuvres.

The talk that was going the rounds some time ago anent the formation of a corps to be called the "City of London Hussars" has been knocked on the head. The Lord Mayor has received a letter from Major-General Lord Methuen, C.B., commanding the Home District, stating that the Secretary for War instructed him to let it be distinctly understood that the proposal will not receive official sanction.

The delay in the issue of the medal and clasp for those who took part in the Chitral expedition is causing considerable talk. Already four of the officers who took part in that expedition have died, and this fact should hasten the distribution so long delayed.

The Royal Engineers' mess, Chatham, has been presented, by the officers of that corps who took part in the Chitral expedition, with a magnificent silver cup as a memento of the occasion. The cup weighs 17 lbs. and stands 28 inches high, is vase-shaped and elaborately chased and ornamented with Hindoo subjects in relief.

The gold medal of merit of the British Medical Association has been presented to Surgeon-Capt. H. F. Whitechurch, V.C., Indian Medical Service. The only other army medical officer who has received the same honor from the profession is Brigade Surgeon Lieut.-Col. J. H. Reynolds, V.C., of Rorke's Drift fame, now retired. Surgeon-Capt. Whitechurch's services in Chitral are fresh in the memory of officers, both in and out of the medical service.

The Queen has approved of still further alterations in the dress and equipment of the officers of the army. The details have not yet been published, but it is expected that the change will affect officers' horse furnishings and the undress uniform of staff and infantry officers.

The Central African medal has been sanctioned to the officers and men engaged in the operations from 1891 to 1894 inclusive. The issue for the operations in 1895 is under consideration.

With regard to the manufacture of cordite, the Secretary for War states that no change has been made in the proportion of nitro glycerine in cordite. Neither the powder nor the cartridge of the magazine rifle has been altered, but the groove of the barrel has been changed with the object of increasing its endurance and diminishing the metallic fouling.

Lord Wolseley, in presenting the prizes at the Army Medical School, Netley, called attention to the important part played in the