

The company had its second turn at the range on Wednesday on the 200 and 300 mark. While there were no possibilities made, the average was very fair. There are many very promising shots, and the interest shown in individual scores bids well for the future. The band was a very welcome assistance on the march to and from camp.

At the moment of writing it is rumored that the next shoot will be a shot in the arm.

While on the subject of shooting, it is in order to offer congratulations to No. 2 Company on its excellent score in the Inter-Company event of last Monday. For the first time in the history of the Battalion No. 3 was found at the tail-end.

No. 12 Platoon has now posted a notice in its lines that the members are owls. It is so dark in that part of the building that men go on talking after lights are out, thinking they are still on. A collection for a few electric globes seems to be about the only recourse.

#### NO. 5 COMPANY

No. 5 Company felt exceedingly blue when first they heard of the appointment to No. 2 Company of Major Meredith Jones, that exceedingly popular officer who had, almost since its formation, been the O.C. of the Draft. That the attachment was mutual was shown by a letter which Lieut. Fullerton received from Major Jones asking him to express to No. 5 Company regret at leaving them, and to thank them for the loyal support accorded him as their commander.

But we are jolly dogs in No. 5 and take an optimistic view of life, consequently the appointment of Lieut. Fullerton as our new O.C. has proved an unqualified success, for his cheerful expression and snappy jokes have already endeared him to all ranks and prove him a comrade as well as a commander.

Speaking of Major Jones I am reminded of his definition of a soldier. He says: To be a good soldier one must obey the following rules—First, be a gentleman; second, still be a gentleman; and third, continue to be a gentleman. A gentleman is not necessarily a man with a long line of noble ancestors, but rather one who fears no man and deceives no woman,

A good motto for us all to remember in these strenuous times, and which if practiced will help us to secure victory and a lasting peace is: "He who lives for others—lives. He who dies for others—lives immortally."

A good example of the "bon camaraderie" existing in the Draft was to be seen at the dinner given by members of No. 1 Platoon at the Dominion Hotel on Monday last. A most enjoyable evening was spent, the toast of "The King" being proposed by Col. Lorne Ross in his typical style, and we all know the stirring effect of his speeches, which seem to vibrate through every fibre of our being. This was followed by a chorus, "Tipperary," by the platoon. "The 67th Battalion Western Scots" was proposed by Sergt. Norwood and responded to by Lieut.-Col. Lorne Ross in eloquent manner which showed that the speakers have the interests of the Battalion at heart. "His Majesty's Forces and Allies," proposed by Lieut. Montgomery and responded to by Lieut. Terry, was drunk most heartily by all; for are we not proud of the British soldier who in the hour of the Empire's need have come forward from every part of the world; many of them leaving homes and loved ones to give their lives for King and country. Then there are our brave Allies; to think of them is to think of Belgium; that plucky little country whose gallant stand against an overwhelming and unscrupulous foe will go down to posterity; there is little doubt that the check which she gave the enemy saved Paris from the fate of Louvain and Rheims, and perhaps from the horrors of a siege. Suitable reference was made to the clever strategy of the Russians, who, despite the handicap caused by lack of transportation and munitions, have kept a large number of the enemy engaged on the Eastern front. Japan's part in the war and the protection which her fleet has afforded us was also fittingly dealt with. "The Platoon," proposed by Corpl. West, was replied to by Pte. G. S. Turner. The toast of "Our Guests" was proposed by Pte. Campbell and ably responded to by Major Jones on behalf of the officers and by Sergt. Roxborough on behalf of the others. The speeches were interspersed by songs, recitations, etc., an excellent programme being arranged. Two songs rendered in his inimitable style by Major Jones received great applause. Mr. H. Kelway's selections on the concertina added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening, and we were particularly fortunate in having Corpl. Thomas, of the C.M.R., with us at the piano; he holds the distinction of being the best pianist in his regiment. Altogether we spent a jolly evening, which for most of us passed all too quickly.

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