

were marched back to the Drill Shed, where a hollow square was formed and Captain Allan was presented by Surgeon Riddall, 36th Battalion, on behalf of Alton Company, (No. 6.) with a beautiful Silver Snuff-box, as a slight acknowledgement of his very efficient services as Drill Instructor to that company. The gift was accompanied by the following address;—

To CAPTAIN W. ALLAN.—Sir: We the undersigned members of No. 6 company 36th (Pool) Battalion, desire to evince in a tangible form our respect for one who, while performing the duties of Drill Instructor to this Company, earned the esteem of every man of the corps. We, as well as the many friends you gained in this locality by your affable manners, regret the change in the New Militia Regulation which deprived us of your valuable instructions and; we beg that you will accept the accompanying slight token of our good wishes, sincerely hoping that you may be long spared to adorn the profession, you are so ardently attached to. We beg respectfully to subscribe ourselves faithfully yours,

HUGH BRWSTER, CAPTAIN,
Commanding on behalf of the Non-commissioned Officers and Privates.

REPLY.

To the Officers and Men of No. 6 Company :

MY DEAR FRIENDS: I thank you most heartily for the handsome present you have given me this day, and on returning you my sincere thanks, allow me to say that in a somewhat protracted military life both in the regular service and in the Volunteer force of Canada there is no incident I look upon with more heartfelt satisfaction than this beautiful tribute of your esteem towards myself as your instructor for the past three years, in which you have considered me a worthy recipient; and I sincerely trust you may continue to be in the future, as you have been in the past, distinguished for steadiness under arms, cleanliness in your appointments, sobriety, diligence in the discharge of your duties, and that gentlemanly conduct which you have ever evinced towards myself when it was my inestimable privilege to have charge of you. I shall ever look back to my connection with No. 6 Company 36th Batt., with satisfaction.

Yours very truly, Wm. ALLAN.

One of the greatest attractions in the day's pageantry was the turn out of the new Company of Orangoville Cadets, numbering some 60, elegantly equipped in Scarlet Tunics, forage caps and belts. Their steadiness and knowledge of Squad Drill was most surprising considering the short time they were organized and their age, the eldest not being more than 14. These embryo soldiers were under the command of Regimental Orderly Sergeant Dunbar, and by their conduct and appearance reflected great credit on themselves and their Instructor. We need scarcely say these boys were the lions and the pets of the day, and could such an example of

loyalty be shown in all the Villages of Canada as in this, military ardor and patriotism would be the order every where in our Dominion.

The Concert in the evening was a success, several popular vocalists and amateur performers took part in the proceedings.

FROM STRATHROY.

Capt. Bridgewater delivered a most interesting Lecture here on Tuesday evening on military matters, dwelling at considerable length on the subject of our defences. He handles his subject cleverly, is convincing in argument, and it is impossible to hear him without being deeply impressed with the soundness of his views. We only hope he will have the opportunity of continuing his tour and that he will be patronized by all lovers of good government. The Captain fairly tears to pieces the platform of those parties who are continually crying out about the expense of defence, and shows up their narrow minded policy with a masterly hand. Had we more Lectures of this nature we should soon see the effects in an universal military spirit amongst us. Capt. Bridgewater richly deserves the patronage and support of the militia of the Dominion, whose cause he is so ably and so effectively advocating.

FROM NORFOLK.

This Battalion is now all served out with the Snider Enfield, and some of the companies have commenced to drill regularly every week; and if the Fenians should come, they will find them a hardy set of fellows and ready for work. They wish to make a suggestion through the Review, that considering the responsible men now officers of the Volunteer force, why not have a sum equal to the annual pay of the Company placed at the Captain's credit at some bank adjacent, that he could draw on and pay the men every week, or two weeks, or monthly, as well as to pay them one year after it is earned. They consider it not altogether fair play that they should be called out for battalion drill, hire teams to go several miles, and pay all incidental expenses, and wait on the Government for a year for what their families want the benefit of now; but if such should not be granted, it will not damp the military spirit of the Volunteers of glorious old Norfolk, for they glory in their loyalty and patriotism.

FROM EXETER, O.

VOLUNTEER TOURNAMENT.—The quarterly Rifle Tournament of No. 6 Company, took place on the Francestown Range on Tuesday the 23rd Oct., 1867. The day was very inauspicious, as rain fell occasionally, and thus prevented the arrangements being carried out to completion. It was decided that the Ranges be 200, 300 and 400 yards, but on account of the unfavorableness of the day

and the lateness of the hour at which the exercises began, the 300 yards Range was omitted. The Consolation Match, which was intended to be the *finale*, and open to all members of the Company who did not win in any of the other matches, was postponed for want of time. The shooting upon the whole was very creditable, especially when we consider that the Company is now and had not the advantage of much experience in target practice.

FIRST MATCH.—Prize Company's Challenge Silver Medal, value ten dollars. Ranges 200 and 400 yards; three shots at each Range; open to the whole Company. This was won by Ensign James Howard, who scored nineteen points—nine at the 200 and ten at the 400 yards Range.

SECOND MATCH.—Open to non-commissioned officers and privates of the Company. Ranges as before; three shots at each. Three prizes—1st \$4; 2nd \$2; and 3rd \$1.

The following is the score of the winners:

	200 yds.	400 yds.	T'l.
Private Alex. Lewis,	10	4	14
" Wm. Gould,	10	4	14
" Richard Sanders,	7	6	13

The tie between Alex. Lewis and Wm. Gould was decided as above.

THIRD MATCH.—Open to all comers; Ranges as before; three shots at each. Three prizes awarded—1st prize \$5; 2nd \$3; 3rd \$1. The score of the winners is as follows:

	200 yds.	400 yds.	T'l.
Ensign Jas. Howard,	9	9	18
Mr. Wm. Sweet,	8	9	17
Private Wm. Gould,	9	7	16
" Thos. Bissott,	10	6	16

The tie was not shot off; the parties dividing the money.

A Donation Belt was awarded by Mr. G. Eacrett of the Village to the one who made the highest score during the match. Ensign Howard, who scored nineteen points, was the winner. The greatest harmony and decorum prevailed during the day, and all were satisfied with the result of the matches.

FROM BEAMSVILLE.

The following scores were made by some members of No. 4 Company, 19th Lincoln Battalion, in their first and second trials with the Snider gun, at 200 yards:

Sergeant F. Grobb,	33342	15
Corporal A. Marlatt,	23331	11
Sergeant Vosburg,	03044	11
Lieutenant Kew,	33040	10

SECOND TRIAL.

Lieutenant Kew,	3222220233	21
Sergeant Vosburg	3324323223	27
Sergt. Grobb,	3332333303	26
Private House,	3322343333	29
" Tufford,	3323430333	27
" P. Dean,	4343300032	22

The general average of Company shooting is much higher than with the Enfield-rifle. The men are greatly pleased with the Snider, both for its accuracy and rapidity in loading.