

I trust as satisfactory to yourself and the Council as it has been pleasant to myself.

"I am, &c.,

"THOMAS C. SCOBLE,

"Lieut.-Colonel.

"Lt. Col. Gzowski, Toronto."

Lt. Col. Boxall moved that the Secretary be requested to look into the record of Pte. Bell's score at the Wimbledon competition for 1872, and reply in accordance with the facts as ascertained by such records. Carried.

Lt.-Col. Macpherson moved, seconded by Lt. Col. Boulton, that the thanks of the Council of the Ontario Rifle Association are due and are hereby tendered to Lt. Col. Scoble, for his valuable services as Secretary for the past year, accompanied with an expression of regret that circumstances have rendered it necessary for that officer to tender his resignation. Carried.

The Council then adjourned.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Association was held in the Council tent, at half past twelve o'clock. Lt. Col. Durie, D. A. G., presided, and there were present Lt. Colonels Gzowski, French, Gilmour, Scoble, Macpherson, R. B. Denison, Skinner, Norris, Boxall, Boulton and Wallace; Majors Arthurs, Alger, Dartnell, Boulton; Surgeons Thorburn and Diamond; Capt. Moore, Bruce, (Guelph), Edwards and others.

The following gentlemen were elected members of the Council for the ensuing year:—Lieut. Col. Peck, Galt; Hon. Major McKellar, 24th Batt.; Lieut.-Col. Lewis, London; Judge Macdonald, Guelph; Lieut.-Col. C. S. Gzowski, Toronto; Lieut. Col. Scoble, 37th Batt.; Capt. J. J. Mason, 13th Batt.; Col. Dartnell, Whitby; Major Boulton, 46th Batt.; Capt. Crowther, 2nd G. T. R. Rev. Mr. Clementi, Peterboro; Lieut.-Col. Macpherson, Ottawa; Major Gemmill, 42nd Batt.; Major Cotton, A Battery; Major White, Ottawa, and Major McKay Wright, M. P., Ottawa.

Col. Skinner expressed regret at the intended resignation of Col. Scoble, and as a slight reward for the valuable service he had rendered, he moved that Lieut. Col. Scoble be presented with a certificate of life membership of the Association.

The motion was seconded by Colonel Boulton and carried unanimously.

The meeting then adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of the new Council, Lieut. Col. Gzowski was unanimously re-elected President.

Lieut. Col. Gzowski having returned thanks, said he could only hold the office for six months, at the end of which he should retire. He would remain in the office during this period to give time for and assist in the selection of a new president. He would suggest that a committee of three or four members of the council should be appointed for the purpose of procuring a gentleman who would possess the proper qualifications to become their new president.

Col. Skinner thought that it was essential that the new president should be a resident of Toronto. He moved, seconded by Col. Denison, that Lieut. Col. Durie, Lieut. Col. Gilmour, Lieut. Col. Norris, the President and the mover be appointed a committee in accordance with the suggestion of the President. Carried.

Lieut. Col. Norris moved, seconded by Lieut. Col. Skinner, that Col. Otter, Q. O. R., be appointed the new secretary of the Association. Carried unanimously.

Lieut. Col. Boulton moved that Colonels Gilmour, Scoble and Otter, be appointed a

committee to look after the ranges and property of the Association. Carried.

Judge Macdonald, Lieut. Col. Skinner, Lieut. Col. Boulton and Lieut. Col. Macpherson were elected Vice Presidents for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th military districts respectively.

Major Alger was re-elected treasurer and Major Arthurs and Mr. James Graham were elected auditors.

Lieut. Col. Scoble expressed his willingness to continue to act as secretary during the matches and until the return of his successor from England.

The Council then adjourned.

The annual rifle competition of the 1st "Halifax Rifles" took place at Bedford Ranges yesterday. The Company paraded at Richmond Depot at 11 o'clock, when the numbers stood 2 officers and 46 non commissioned officers and men. Major Cummins was Superintending Field Officer and Assistant Surgeon Fullerton was Medical Officer on this occasion. The party went up in the 11.30 train and proceeded at once to the ground where every preparation was made, and the firing was immediately commenced.

The day was very unfavourable for shooting, as a blustering, unsteady wind was blowing all day, consequently the scores made were rather below the average.

The following is the prize list, with the names of the winners:—

1st Prize—Charitable Irish Society's Gold Medal and \$5, presented by Adj. McLeod. Corpl. A. McDonald.

2nd prize Company Medal and \$5, presented by Paymaster Hayden. Corpl. J. B. Morris.

3rd prize \$5. Pte. J. Campbell.

4th prize \$5. Pte. F. Hallowell.

5th prize Gold Scarf Pin, presented by late Joseph Fortune. Col. Sergt. J. Sheppard.

6th prize Smoker's Companion, (containing two Meerschaum Pipes and Cigar Holder) presented by A. Horbrecker, Esq. Pte. J. Mackay.

7th prize Courier Bag, presented by Connolly & Kelly, Pte. R. Melvin.

8th prize Gent's Rubber Coat, Pte. T. Holland.

9th prize " " " Pte. F. Marwick.

10th prize—\$4. Sergt. D. M. Hazel.

11th prize—Gent's Gold Ring. Pt. K. Mont.

12th prize—\$3. Sergt. J. Smith.

13th prize—\$2. Pte. J. Smith.

14th prize—\$2. Pte. W. Carrol.

15th prize—\$2. Pte. C. F. Keefe.

16th prize—\$2. Pte. P. Healy.

17th prize " " Pte. A. Cuthness.

18th prize—Silver Watch Guard. Pte. A. Wilson.

19th prize—Gold Scarf Pin. Corpl. J. Bower.

20th prize—Great Industries of United States (I vol), Pte. J. West.

Prize for highest score in 40 rounds, presented by Lieut. and Adj. McLeod, \$5, Pte. J. Campbell.

Prize for greatest number of hits in 40 rounds presented by Lieut. Col. Pallister, Pte. J. Campbell.

Silver Badge presented by Col. Laurie, D. A. G., Pte. J. Campbell.

Bronze Badges presented by Col. Laurie, Corpl. J. B. Morris.

At the conclusion of the firing the Company were entertained at dinner at Bellevue Hotel. After dinner, the captain proposed the toast of "Her Gracious Majesty the Queen," which was drunk with all the enthusiasm to be expected of the gallant de-

fenders of the Empire. The next toast was "Lieut. Colonel Pallister and Staff of the 63rd Rifles," to which Major Cummins responded, speaking in feeling tones of his former connection with the Company, and complimented them in glowing terms on their efficiency both in numbers and discipline. The Captain said time was short, but short as it was they could not part without pledging the health of Major Barron, their former Captain; he was sorry he was unavoidably absent to-day, more so as it was the first time for the last 14 years they had been denied the pleasure of that officer's company at the annual competition.—Lieut. M. J. Power proposed the health of Captain McKerron. Captain McKerron, acknowledged the honor briefly. Major Cummins proposed the health of Lieut. Power. Mr. Power responded, and as the down train for Halifax was due, by this time, Lieut. Power proposed "Our next merry meeting," and the Company marched to the station and took their seats in a special first class car, which had been provided by the gentlemanly station master at Richmond, Mr. Pottinger, for their use.

The "Halifax Rifles," in times past, were looked upon as a crack corps, and judging from yesterday's proceedings the Company has lost none of its prestige.—*Acadian Recorder*, 4th Sept.

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MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS,

Ottawa, 12th September, 1873

GENERAL ORDERS (21).

ACTIVE MILITIA.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

2nd Regiment of Cavalry.

No. 4 Troop, Grimsby.

To be Cornet, provisionally;

Sergeant-Major Alfred Teeter, vice Burch promoted.

Northumberland and Durham Squadron of Cavalry.

No 1 Troop, Cobourg.

To be Cornet, provisionally;

Sergeant Robert Wright, vice Casey transferred to command of Colborne Troop.

Hamilton Field Battery of Artillery.

1st Lieutenant Robert J. Daville, G. S., is hereby permitted to retire retaining his rank.

2nd Battalion or "Queen's Own Rifles," Toronto.

To be Ensign:

Private Samuel Edgar Pettigrew, M. S., vice Wood, promoted.

7th Battalion, "The London Light Infantry."

To be Adjutant:

Captain Henry Gorman, formerly of H