

Mr. Alan Mathieson, Q. O. R., acting as scrutineers. The following were elected: President, Lieut.-Col. F. C. Denison, C.M.G., M.P. Vice-presidents—Major J. Mason, Royal Grenadiers; Major Lawrence Buchan, C.R.I.; Lieut.-Col. W. E. O'Brien, M.P., 35th Battalion; Lieut.-Col. G. R. Starke, "Vics"; Lieut.-Col. James Munro, 22nd Battalion; Major F. King, Welland Canal F.B.

Committee—Capt. Mutton, Q.O.R., Major Mead, T.F.B., Capt. Fleming, G.G.B.G., Major Delamere, Q.O.R., Capt. Symons, 12th, Major W. C. Macdonald, 48th.

Secretary—Mr. L. H. Irving.

Treasurer—Mr. Robert Myles, T.F.B.

Auditors—Capt. C. C. Bennett, Q. O. R.; Capt. A. M. Irving, R.G.

The usual votes of thanks to the retiring president, officers and auditors were then passed, and the very successful meeting adjourned.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

The *Canada Gazette* of 20th January contains the first batch of General Orders for 1893. No. 1 is of considerable importance, and we reproduce it as follows:

G. O. (1.)

REGULATIONS AND ORDERS FOR THE MILITIA.

Amendments.

His Excellency the Governor General, in virtue of the provisions of the "Militia Act," chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, and by and with the advice of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, is pleased to order as follows:—

1st. That paragraph 32 of the Regulations and Orders for the Militia be cancelled, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—

"32. The strength of regiments, batteries, troops and companies of the Permanent and Active Militia, shall be set forth in a 'List of Regimental Establishments,' which shall be submitted annually to Parliament and published in Militia General Orders."

2nd. That paragraph 81 be cancelled and the following substituted therefor:—

"81. All commissioned officers shall hold certificates of qualification, according to the terms laid down in these orders, and amended from time to time by Militia General Orders. Failing this they shall only exercise command provisionally, and shall not be provisionally appointed to a higher grade than that of Second Lieutenant, nor shall any officer hereafter provisionally appointed, receive a higher rate of pay than that of Second Lieutenant.

"81a Where two or more provisionally appointed officers are serving in the same troop, battery, or company, they shall take precedence for command in the order of their seniority."

G. O. (2.) is entitled

REGULATIONS FOR THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA.

G. O. (3.) has reference to a subject about which there is not enough known throughout the country, viz., the opportunities afforded our young men of obtaining commissions in the Queen's service by other means than going through the Royal Military College. It reads

EXAMINATIONS OF OFFICERS OF THE ACTIVE MILITIA, FOR COMMISSIONS IN THE IMPERIAL ARMY.

General Order (3) of the 2nd January, 1892, is amended as follows:

Applications of candidates desirous of attending the Literary Examinations, must be sent in through the regular channel to the Adjutant General, Headquarters, Canada, so as to reach him by the 1st January and 1st July, for the April and October examinations, respectively.

Applications of those who have passed the Literary Examination, and are desirous of being examined in Military subjects, must be forwarded in the same manner, so as to reach Headquarters, Ottawa, by the 7th June.

Certificates as required in the Regulations issued with Army Order dated 1st January, 1892, must accompany the applications.

Copies of the above mentioned regulations, and full information as to the manner of making application, can be obtained from the Deputy Adjutant General of each Military District.

G. O. (4.) relates to

PAY-LISTS, RATION, FUEL AND LIGHT RETURNS OF PERMANENT CORPS.

G. O. (5.)

COMMAND PAY—HOW TO BE DRAWN.

G. O. (6.)

RETIRED LIST

Refers to two unimportant matters.

G. O. (7)

PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

gives a long list of changes in the active force.

There are 18 first appointments, and 31 retirements, showing a net loss to the force of 13 officers. It is quite evident that discipline is becoming more strict, as a number of the retirements are compulsory for absence without leave and other sufficient reasons. The 52nd "Brome" battalion alone lose six officers in this way.

Lieut.-Col. Bingham, commanding the 94th Batt. "Argyle Highlanders," is permitted to retire with rank, on account of ill-health. Another officer of high rank whose name disappears from the Militia List is that of the late Surgeon-Major Connell, 67th Battalion "Carleton Light Infantry," so well-known in New Brunswick.

G. O. (8) is of especial interest to Artillerymen; it is—

(Supplemental.)

COMPARATIVE EFFICIENCY GARRISON BATTERIES, 1892.

Brigade and Battery.	Officer Commanding.	Clothing and Accoutrements.	Manual and Firing Exercises.	Company Drill.	Gun Drill.	Discipline and Interior Economy.	QUESTIONS.			Inspecting Officer and Remarks.	
							Officers.	N. C. Officers.	Absentees.		
		FULL MARKS	10	20	20	80	10	48	72	260	
B. C. Brigade											
Battery No. 1	Capt. Townley	10	14	14	49	10	16	70	183	Lieut.-Col. Holmes,	
Do No. 2	Lieut. Sargison	9	15	15	48	10	29	38	164	Acting D.A.G.	
Do No. 3	Capt. Quinlan	10	15	18	43	10	32	58	186		
Do No. 4	Capt. Smallfield	9	15	18	60	10	29	70	211	Brigade average, 186	