

Lieut. H. J. Mackie, O.F.B., is also confirmed in rank, having taken a first-class course Grade "A" certificate.

Major L. W. Shannon, 14th P.W.R., retires from the active list, and is transferred to the infantry reserve of officers.

Major D. V. Paton's resignation from the command of the O. F.B. has been accepted, and his appointment to the permanent corps at Fredericton confirmed.

Lieut. W. S. Hurdman has been promoted to the command of the Ottawa Field Battery, with the rank of major.

Lieut.-Col. Campbell, 56th Batt., was in the city recently. In an interview, he said that his officers were in favor of a camp this year, but, as nearly all the other corps in this district were averse to it, the 56th would not be in opposition, and the spring camp would suit them as well.

The matches which took place on July 31st and August 1st were probably the most successful in the history of the Guards' Rifle Association. Much of the success of the meeting was due to the assistance given by Capt. Watters, 43rd, who was range officer, and who was untiring in endeavoring to make the matches a success. Major Jarvis was the executive officer, and Mr. C. C. Rogers filled the arduous duties of secretary with his usual ability. In the Maiden match, possible 25 : Pte. K. Thomas, 23 ; Pte. Latimer, 22 ; Pte. F. Thomas, 22 ; Pte. Fawcett, 19 ; Pte. Wilkes, 19 ; Pte. Legge, 19 ; Pte. Hunt, 18 ; Pte. Bannister, 18 ; Pte. Pinkerton, 17 ; Pte. S. Hunt, 17 ; Pte. Worsely, 16 ; Pte. M. Bowen, 16.

In the Nursery match, possible 25—Pte. C. Stevens, 24 ; Sergt. Hagan, 22 ; Pte. W. B. Firth, 22 ; Corpl. J. Ellard, 21 ; Pioneer J. J. Wallace, 21 ; Sergt. Beahen, 21 ; Sergt. J. St. Aubin, 19 ; Pte. Muntz, 18 ; Corpl. Benbow, 18 ; Corpl. Critch, 17 ; Pte. Legge, 17 ; Pte. Dornig, 17 ; Pte. Hanratty, 17 ; Corpl. Law, 16 ; Pte. Thomas, 15 ; Pte. M. Bowen, 14.

In the Regimental match the following were the scores :

First series, Martini—Corpl. Ellis, 46 ; Pte. Gray, 1 Company, 45 ; Capt. H. H. Gray, 45 ; Corpl. Wiltshire, 2 Company, 44 ; Corpl. G. Carrol, 4 Company, 44 ; Staff-Sergt. W. Short, 2 Company, 43 ; Pte. Legge, 6 Company, 43 ; Pte. Latimer, 43 ; Pte. Bowen, 1 Company, 42 ; Corpl. Ellard, 5 Company, 40 ; Corpl. Critch, 5 Company, 40 ; Buglar-Sergt. A. Cawdron, 1 Company, 40 ; Sergt. St. Aubin, 1 Company, 39 ; Corpl. Dawson, 2 Company, 39 ; Pte. Moss, 5 Company, 39 ; Col.-Sergt. May, 4 Company, 37 ; Pte. Stevens, 2 Company, 37 ; Pte. Morrison, 2 Company, 36 ; Sergt. C. C. Rogers, 1 Company, 36 ; Pte. Wallace, 38 ; Pte. Frith, 6 Company, 35 ; Pte. Muntz, 6 Company, 35 ; Staff-Sergt. Cawdron, 4 Company, 35 ; Pte. Thomas, 2 Company, 35.

NOTES ON THE RANGE.

In the All Comers match on Saturday Pte. W. T. Mason, of the 43rd, came first with 91 out of a possible 105.

Pte Wallace won in the Maiden with 162 out of a possible 240.

If there is any kicking at the forthcoming matches of the D. R. A. on the score of imperfect ammunition it will not be because the Executive of the association has failed to make a selection of the best quality available. Major Perley, whose ability as a specialist is recognized among military men all over the country, was entrusted with the inspection of the three issues of Martini-Henry in store, and at the meeting of the Executive of the D. R. A., that body concurred in the major's report in favor of the 1885 ammunition of the Royal Laboratory. The meeting was held in the Russell House, Lieut.-Col. Tilton being in the chair, and Lieut.-Col. Bacon officiating in his capacity as secretary. Other members present were : Lieut.-Cols. Hood, Massey, Macdonald, and Macpherson, and Majors Blaiklock, Perley, Ibbotson and Delamere. Lieut.-Col. Hodgins, G.G.F.G., was appointed Executive officer ; Dr. James

Grant was chosen as surgeon, while Major Walsh was appointed to the responsible position of statistical officer. The following were chosen as range officers : Major Heron, G.G.F.G. ; Major Evans, R.C.D. ; Capt. Brown, P.L.D.G. ; Capt. Watters, 43rd. ; Capt. P. B. Taylor, G.G.F.G. ; Capt. Aumond, R.L. ; Capt. FitzStuart, 43rd. ; Capt. Winter, R.L. ; Lieut. A. M. Burns, 5th Royal Scots, and as a reserve, Major Mutton, Q.O.R. ; Major Maclaren, 13th, and Lieut. Armstrong, 5th Royal Scots. The committee to arrange for the catering was chosen as follows : Lieut.-Cols. Tilton, Macpherson and Macdonald. The committee decided to charge a fee of \$5 for marquees this year.

Lieut.-Col. Hodgins, G.G.F.G., Capt. Winter, R.L., and Capt. Brown, P.L.D.G., have gone down to Montreal to act as range officers at the annual meeting of the Montreal Rifle Association, which begins this morning.

Mr. Sims, of the Bodega, has presented eight magnificent military pictures to the Ottawa Field Battery.

"A" Company, 43rd Rifles, are to have their rifle matches on Civic Holiday, August 20, this year.

The new uniforms for the lately appointed officers of the 43rd have arrived from England. Their total value is said to be about \$1,000.

A small but enthusiastic crowd gathered in Bellier's restaurant on Thursday evening, July 30th, with one object in view, and that was to give a hearty farewell to Major Eaton, late of the O.F.B., who relinquishes his command to take a lieutenancy in R.R.C.T. Major Bliss was in the chair, and those gathered round the board included Major Coutlee, Lieut.-Col. Bell, Capt. Brown, Major L. W. Shannon, Major Hurdman, O.F.B., Vet. Capt. Wadmore, R.R.C.T., Capt. MacLean, A.D.C., Capt. Harris, Capt. Brummel, G.G.F.G., and Mr. Bliss. The evening was pleasantly spent, as such evenings are, in songs, speeches and toasts.

Capt. Roper, G.G.F.G., has returned from Toronto, where he has been taking a two months' course at Stanley Barracks.

In a conference between Hon. Dr. Borden, Minister of Militia and Defence, and Major-General Gascoigne yesterday, it was decided that half the rural battalions in the Maritime Provinces, and rather more than half in Quebec, being the battalions that did not drill last year, shall go into camps for training next month. In Ontario the matter is left optional with commanding officers. Gen. Gascoigne has received replies from every corps, and the very large majority are favorable to the holding of camps this year. As regards artillery, Lieut.-Col. Irwin, inspector of artillery, has prepared a special report, recommending that no camps shall be held this season.

A special general order embodying the above will be issued in a day or two.

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DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

A MEETING of the Executive of the D. R. A. was held last week in Ottawa. It was decided that 1895 ammunition be used at the forthcoming meeting at the Rideau ranges on the 31st. Major Perley said that it had been proven that the 1896 ammunition as supplied by the British Government was bad and would be returned to England.

Lord Aberdeen, the Governor-General, will be in attendance at the rifle ranges during the meet for the first time since assuming office.

We have just received from Messrs. J. Martin, Sons & Co., 45 St. Paul street, Montreal, a Northwest campaign button, artistically made from the Northwest medal ribbon. These buttons, we are sure, will commend themselves to all who were in any way connected with the campaign in the Northwest.