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HALIFAX GARRISON ARTILLERY.

While we are bringing our out door sports before the public, perhaps we would do well to give a glance at the work our City Volunteers have been doing the past season in the various competitions in which they have taken part, at home and abroad. In this paper we will treat of the Halifax Garrison Artillery, which through the zealous work of its officers and men has become one of the crack corps of the Dominion.

The first competitions of the season were the three matches for places on the team to represent the province in the Inter-maritime matches at Charlottetown, on June 12th, when out of eight places the H. G. A. won six.

The Canadian Military Rifle League competitions came next, in May, June, July and August, seven matches in all, which were taken part in by all the best shooting corps of the Dominion, each corps sending 25 men. The matches were with the Snider Rifle at 200, 400, 500 and 600 yards, no sighting shots. In the aggregate of these matches, the H. G. A. succeeded in winning 5th place, beating all the corps hitherto considered the "cracks," and coming out ahead of all teams who shot at ranges where two or more teams were competing. Capt. Adams won the Badge for the highest aggregate score in the H. G. A. team, beating Sergt. Case by one point. In the course of these matches Capt. Adams made the highest score made this year on Bedford Range with the Snider Rifle, viz: 92 points out of a possible 105. In connection with these matches it is as well to mention that they decided a long and vexed question as to the superiority of the H. G. A. team over the 63rd

Rifles team, for of the seven matches mentioned above the H. G. A. won six, beating the 63rd six to one.

In their own Association Match held July 18th, some very good shooting was made, Capt. Maxwell winning the Bland Medal with 64 points out of a possible 70, and Sergt. Macleod the D. R. A. Silver medal with 62 points. No. 3 Battery (Capt. Maxwell) won the Skirmishing Match.

In the Provincial Rifle Association Matches the Gunners carried off many honors. In the Nursery competition Gunner Watson won 1st prize and Gunner Harris 2nd, the H. G. A. winning five prizes out of the twenty offered.

In the third Competition for the P. R. A. Gold Medal, Capt. Maxwell, H. G. A. won second prize with 59 points out of the possible 70, the H. G. A. winning 14 prizes out of 31.

In the fourth Competition for the Bankers' Cup, Lieut. Flowers, H. G. A., won second place with 62 points out of possible 70, the Corps winning 11 prizes out of 31.

In the All Comers Match, Bomb. Fader won 3rd place, while the Corps won 12 prizes out of 30.

The Laurie Challenge Cup was next competed for, and in the struggle for its possession centres the great interest of the meeting. The men of the various Corps having by the time this match is shot had considerable practice, vie with each other for the possession of this coveted trophy. The Halifax G. A. were the happy winners, with the magnificent score of 566 points out of a possible 700, or 8 points more than they made with Martini's last year in the same match. This is the fifth time in succession the H. G. A. have carried off this cup.

The seventh Competition, Bomb. Fader, H. G. A. was 1st, and Sergt. Harris, H. G. A. 2nd, the Corps winning 14 prizes out of 30.

In the Ladies' Competition, Capt. Maxwell won first prize, with 31 points out of a possible 35, the corps winning 7 out of 19 prizes.

In the Merchants' Cup Match, Gunner Watson, H. G. A., won second prize and 12 out of 31 fell to the H. G. A.

In the Laurie Bugle Skirmishing Match the H. G. A., again came to the front, the Bugle being won by No. 7 Battery (Capt. Anderson); and of 4 H. G. A. teams entered, 3 succeeded in winning prizes.

The P. R. A. Badge for the highest aggregate of the meeting was won by Battery Sergt-Major Spencer, No. 6 Battery.

(To be continued.)



MILITIA ORDERS.—The following militia general orders have been announced: 66th battalion Princess Louise fusiliers, Halifax—to be captain: Lieutenant Charles Clarke Hole, R. S. L. vice Henry Frederick William Fishwick, who is hereby permitted to retire retaining rank. To be lieutenant: 2nd Lieutenant Charles Louis Worsley, R. S. L., vice C. C. Hole, promoted.



The benefit to Mr. Tyrone Power at the Academy this evening, was a great success, save for the unfortunate manner in which the "Sleep-Walking" scene came to an end. The house was crowded in the more fashionable parts. The performance will be noticed more fully next week.

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