

At the annual meeting of the Peterborough Rifle Association, recently held, the secretary-treasurer, Capt R. M. Dennistoun, presented the annual report, which showed the association to be in a flourishing condition. The election of officers was then proceeded with, resulting as follows:—President, Lieut.-Col. H. C. Rogers; 1st vice-president, Rev. V. Clementi; 2nd vice-president, Major Bell; secretary-treasurer, Capt. R. M. Dennistoun. Council—Messrs. D. Cameron, F. Hall and W. A. Mason. It was arranged to carry on the monthly matches this season as usual, but to have five instead of four as formerly. The first of these matches will be held on the first Thursday in May, and the others on the first Thursday of each month following. It was also decided to abandon the military match in the fall, provided the 57th Battalion holds a military match during the season.

Mr. Pringle, secretary of the Canadian Military Rifle League, is in town, and had an interview with Mr. James, supt. Anglo-American Telegraph and Cable Co., who kindly consented to place the P. E. I. riflemen on the same footing as those of the other provinces, viz., to charge 50 cents per team per match, that is, each team sends its own scores and receives those of all the other competing battalions for that rate.—*Charlottetown Examiner*, 19th April.

THE MILITARY RIFLE LEAGUE.

Up to the 29th of April, these entries had been received by the Secretary of the League. They are given in the order in which the entries came in:—

Halifax Garrison Artillery.	P. E. I. Garrison Artillery, Charlottetown.
13th Battalion, Hamilton.	96th Battalion, Port Arthur.
90th Battalion, Winnipeg.	63rd Battalion, Halifax.
F Co., North-West Mounted Police,	Saskatchewan Rifle Ass'n, Prince Albert.
Prince Albert.	Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto (2 teams).
21st Battalion, Leamington, Ont.	10th Royal Grenadiers, Toronto (2 teams).
82nd Battalion, Charlottetown.	Governor-General's Foot Guards, Ottawa.
B Co., Infantry School Corps, St. John's, Q.	8th Royal Rifles, Quebec.
53rd Battalion, Sherbrooke.	3rd Victoria Rifles, Montreal (2 teams).
14th Battalion, Kingston.	54th Battalion, Melbourne, Q.
35th Battalion, Barrie.	5th Royal Scots, Montreal (2 teams).
35th Battalion, Orillia.	Montreal Garrison Artillery.
65th Battalion, Montreal.	62nd Fusiliers, St. John, N. B.

It has been decided that the entries shall be left open for another week, as it is plain that the greater number of the teams intending to enter have not yet forwarded their fees, and to shut them out would detract from the interest of the competition. The secretary requests that those who forward their fees by cheque will not omit to add the bank's commission, as there is no reason why the League should pay the cost of transmission of the fees.

THE VICTORIA RIFLES.

The following was the result of the weekly rifle competitions held on the 16th and 19th April at the Victoria Rifles Armoury, Montreal:

First competition.—Special class: Lieut. Rodden, 44; Corp. McCrae, 43; Capt. Becket, 42. First class: Pte. Miller, 43; Staff-Sergt. Wilson, 37. Second class: Pte. Pithie, 36. Third class: Pte. Mills, 37; Pte. Ross, 34.

Second competition.—Special class: Lieut. Rodden, 43; Lieut. Desbarats, 42; Corp. McCrae, 37. First class: Pte. Miller, 41; Pte. Becket, 40; Sergt. Lanigan, 33. Second class: Corp. Hardle, 42; Pte. Pithie, 40. Third class: Pte. Mills, 40; Pte. Manning, 36; Pte. Lewis, 35; Sergt. Farrell, 35.

THE EIGHTH ROYALS.

The 8th held their annual rifle association meeting after parade on Friday evening, 25th inst., when the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Major Prower; vice-president, Capt. Montizambert; secretary-treasurer, Lieut. Davidson. Committee—Col.-Sergt. Morgan, A Co.; Col.-Sergt. Goudie, B Co.; Sergt. Douglas, C Co.; Pte. Dunn, D Co.; Sergt. Dewfall, E Co.; Col.-Sergt. Ross, F Co.; and Quarter-master Sergt. Mountain, from the staff. The first monthly match was held on Saturday, 26th inst., over forty members taking part. Short Snider rifles, 20 rounds, 5 each at 100 and 200 yds. standing, 300 yds. kneeling, and 400 yds. any military position; total possible, 80 points. Lieut. Davidson scored 71, Sergt. Douglas 69, Staff-Sergt. Mountain 66, Col.-Sergt. Ross and Col.-Sergt. Goudie 65 each. The association has an unusually large membership this year, and everything looks like a successful season. A team has been entered for the League matches.

THE TWELFTH BATTALION.

A meeting composed of members of the 12th Battalion was held on Monday night in Temperance Hall, Toronto. Lieut. Elliott occupied the chair, and there were also present Major McSpadden, Capt. McSpadden, Lieuts. Ronan, Lanskil and Curran, Ptes. Graham, McVittie, Thompson, Gadsby and others. The object of the meeting was to form a rifle association in connection with the battalion in order to encourage

rifle practice. After an informal discussion, it was agreed to form such an association, to be known as the Wayling Rifle Association of the 12th Battalion. The following were elected as the officers for the year 1890-91: Staff-Sergt. Ronan, president; Pte. George Thompson, 1st vice-president; Pte. Graham, 2nd vice-president; Pte. McVittie, secretary-treasurer. Several suggestions were offered as to the rules which should govern the association. The officers were appointed a committee to draft a set of rules and by-laws and submit them to a future meeting. The association takes its name from the commander of the battalion, Lieut.-Col. Wayling.

OTTAWA RIFLE CLUB.

The second competition of the Ottawa Rifle Club was held on the Rideau range, on Saturday afternoon last, with Martini rifles, seven shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards. The day was fine and bright, with a strong wind from the left front. The competitors numbered thirty-six. The lack of practice told upon the scores, which were low:

Capt. S. M. Rogers (dessert spoon, 1st class), 88; Capt. C. F. Cox (tea spoon, 2nd class) 84; R. Stewart (dessert spoon, 3rd class), 84; T. McJanet, 83; Lieut. E. D. Sutherland (tea spoon, first class), 83; Dr. G. Hutchison, 82; J. E. Hutcheson, 81; S. Short, 80; Capt. B. H. Bell, 80; Lieut. W. A. Jamieson, 79; D. McMartin, 78; J. H. Ellis, 77; Major A. P. Sherwood, 75; Capt. E. Waldo, 75; Capt. H. H. Gray, 75; C. S. Scott, 74; G. A. Mailleue, 74; Capt. J. W. deC. O'Grady, 74; Major J. Wright, 73; T. C. Boville, 73. Capt. Cox will for the future shoot with the first class, having won the requisite number of spoons to put him out of the second.

GUARDS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

This association had a well attended practice on Rideau range, last Saturday, when there were present thirty five members competing. These were the leading scores: Capt. Gray (tea spoon, 1st class), 75; Capt. Waldo, 75; Col.-Sergt. Mailleue, 74; Pte. Morrison, 71; Corp. Carroll, 69; Sergt. Watts, 65; Sergt. McCarthy (dessert spoon, 3rd class), 65; Pte. Mullen, 65; Pte. Elmitt, 56; Pte. Saunders (tea spoon, 3rd class) 55.

New Military Books.

Published by Wm. Clewes & Sons, Limited, 13 Charing Cross, London.

1. THE YEOMAN'S MANUAL. Containing the necessary information on the subjects of fitting belts, saddlery, &c., military riding with and without arms, salutes, &c., orders of dress and parades, &c., uniforms dress and equipment, definitions of military terms, &c., abridged and compiled from "The Cavalry Regulations," with full instructions for the drill of a troop mounted. By Capt. J. B. Delap, Royal Bucks Hussars; 4th edition pp. 52. Price one shilling. Authorized by the inspectors of auxiliary cavalry.

We heartily recommend this little handbook to the cavalry branch of the Canadian militia. It should be in the hands of every officer, n.c.o. and man, placing as it does within easy reach and at a trifling cost just the information which each cavalryman should possess, and from the comprehensive and thorough manner in which Capt. Delap has condensed the contents of the authorized cavalry manual, he is saved a vast amount of reading and studying, which, as the time of training is so short, is no small matter.

Dealing, at it does, with drill equipment and the minor details relating to cavalry work, a study of it will enable the reader to have as good a comprehension of what he will have to do as a trained soldier. Capt. Delap is evidently a master of his subject, as the points touched upon are essential, while the language of detail is plain, simple and easily understood. No better manual on cavalry work could be desired. The book is handy in size, being 3½ x 4½ in., and can readily be carried in the pocket. Commanding officers would do well to call the attention of those serving under them to the desirability of possessing a copy.

2. A RESUME OF THE TACTICAL PORTIONS CONTAINED IN PARTS VI-IX OF THE "INFANTRY DRILL, 1889." By Lieut. W. R. Clifford, the Cheshire Regt. Pp. 65. Price one shilling.

To those officers of the militia who desire to possess a knowledge of the tactical portions of the new drill book, we think from a perusal of this little manual that it will fully meet their requirements. The compiler has carefully done his work. He states so fully the scope and objects of the work in his preface that in bringing it to the attention of our readers, we cannot do better than quote his words. He says:—"This book has been written, not as a substitute for the 'Infantry Drill' but merely as an assistance to those officers who * * * having read the 'Infantry Drill' desire a somewhat briefer form of manual in which they can without difficulty, and at a glance, get hold of the pith of those tactical portions which are more fully explained in the