

## "A" COMPANY NOTES.

Pte. Battista Giovanni De Mario Bertucci, the eminent cyclist of No. 3 Platoon, while giving a glorious finish to an expert exhibition, turned a corner at the terrific speed of at least five miles an hour, and to the huge delight of the spectators dived into a friendly furze bush which happened to be in his immediate front. He is still pulling out the prickles.

Congratulations are extended to Sergt. Scovil on his accession to the ranks of the three-strippers. It is well deserved. Among the others raised to dizzy heights are Corpl. Williams to be Acting Lance-Sergt., Lce.-Corpl. Allen to be Corpl., Pte. E. H. Webb to Lce.-Corpl., and W. A. James to full Corpl.

On Sunday last the men suffered a great disappointment. All were ready and willing (?) for Church Parade (it was not voluntary) when the order was cancelled, and all hands had to scrub down decks. The whole quarters were turned out and thoroughly swept, cleansed, disinfected and fumigated. What with the fuming of the workers and the fuming of the sulphur, the houses should now be clean.

The underlying principle of the change of orders, one would suppose, is clearly shown in that old saw, "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." At the same time, Monday or Wednesday are quite suitable as fatigue days.

Reports from the "Markers" at the butts seem to show that they are sighing for the "flesh pots of the Willows."

A harmless, innocent, but enquiring Private would like to know (if possible) the number of variations that can be made in the wearing of the clothes and equipment. Also if, on Friday, four combinations were tried in a few minutes, what could be done in a day?

Answers are invited.

The kilts are still coming. An Englishman asks: "What shall we wear for fatigue?" It is rumoured that the Sergeants will get them first. Is this to encourage the others? Condy's fluid (no reference to the Sergt. of that name or his beverage) is a harmless stain suitable for white knees.

From the Orderly Room:

Corporal (reporting): "I have posted the picket on the house to be quarantined, but there is no key to the front door."

Sergeant: "All right. Fasten front door up securely, and put picket on back door. We have to take all precautions."

Corporal: "Very good, I'll do so right away."

Sergeant: "By the way, how many men are there in the house?"

Corporal: "None."

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We welcome the new bath-house, and revel in the luxury of plenty of water, hot and cold.

Is it possible to enjoy, or benefit by, physical "jerks" on a hot afternoon just after dinner with a good slab of A.S.C. bread still residing near one's midriff?

May we extend our sincere congratulations on the result of the musketry examination to our "distinguished" Lieut.?

The old pioneers of a regiment wore beards. Shall we have to do the same? One Sergt. of No. 2 Platoon, being unable to raise more than an indication on the upper lip, might have better luck if that old rule were enforced.

Permission is to be requested by a modest one to have an ankle-length kilt. Pte. P—, of No. 4, might also apply.

## "B" COMPANY NOTES.

Spring has "came," after a long delay.

Does quarantine also spell prohibition? The boys in No. — want to know. They miss their pint.

"Tubby" Barr, after being remonstrated with on the unwashed condition of his sweater jacket, confided to his pals that when he went "hame" he would swap with his brother. Apparently the brother is also a canny man. Tubby still has the original jacket.

That our old friend and mascot, "Paddy," has not been forgotten, was amply demonstrated by the manner in which the boys answered the appeal for funds to pay his passage over.

Can anyone tell us why the Canadian parcel mail is so long in being delivered? Many packages of good