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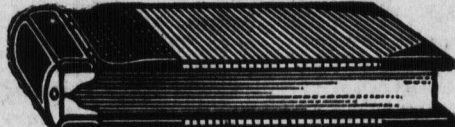
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## 3RD REGIMENT'S 125th BIRTHDAY WAS WELL OBSERVED ON SATURDAY

Sports and Dinner on Partridge Island Marked  
Enjoyable Occasion—Old Artillery Regiment's  
Splendid War Record Reviewed by Speakers—  
Unit Under Command of Major Wetmore At-  
tended Divine Service in Trinity Yesterday  
Morning.

It was a merry party that journeyed to Partridge Island on Saturday afternoon to help Major P. W. Wetmore and the other officers and men of the 3rd N. B. Regt. Garrison Artillery celebrate the 125th birthday of that fine old unit. There was a good representation of officers of the different military services in the city including Lt. Col. Powell and Major J. R. Armstrong. Other guests included Hon. J. R. Armstrong, Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Col. E. T. Sturges, James Carleton, F. E. Foster, S. A. M. Skinner, Police Magistrate Ritchie, Commissioner Russell, L. P. D. Tilley, Rev. R. A. Armstrong, W. P. Dunham, R. K. Jones, John Sayre, A. L. Fowler and others. Arrived at the island the party were met at the landing stage by Major Wetmore and Lt. Thomson and Lt. Crockett. They then made a brief visit to the quarters and later went to the parade ground, where a programme of sports was carried out by the men. Prizes were offered for the different events and the competition was keen; the men entering into the spirit of the occasion with zest.

Gunner Leaman won the 100 yards dash and Gunner Barraclough the 220. The three-legged race was won by Gunners H. Bennett and J. Bennett. Five teams chosen from the Composite Battery and No. 9 O. B. Battery participated in a series of well-contested tug of war events and there were spirited boxing bouts between Gunner Craik and Gunner Dalgle and Gunner Lacey and Gunner Leaman. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in target practice, in which good results were secured.

At 6.30 dinner was served to the officers and guests in the officers' mess. Major Wetmore presided and had on his right hand Col. Powell and Judge Armstrong, with Mayor Hayes and Hon. J. B. M. Baxter to his left. After an excellent menu had been thoroughly enjoyed and the formal toast to the King honored in the conventional manner, Col. Powell, who acted as toastmaster, proposed the health of the 3rd Regiment, coupling with it the names of Judge Armstrong and Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, who had formerly commanded the regiment, and Major P. W. Wetmore, the present acting O. C. In proposing the toast Col. Powell said he had known the 3rd Regiment before the war but had been closely and intimately associated with it ever since it became necessary for that regiment to bear a part in the work of defending Canada.

Sent 2,500 Men Overseas.  
He told of the splendid part the regiment had played in sending men overseas and the good record those detachments had made. In this connection he referred to the ammunition column under Col. W. H. Harrison, which was followed by the 4th Siege Battery, the 7th and 9th. Altogether the 3rd Regiment had sent overseas or had ready to go more than 2,500 men, as well as between sixty and seventy splendidly qualified officers, who had done great work on the battle lines of France and Flanders. The very best accounts came back concerning the record of the 3rd Regiment men. In addition to forces sent overseas the 3rd Regiment had also maintained defence detachments at St. John, Halifax and St. Lucia, B. W. I. The men who served at St. Lucia had scarcely received the credit due them, for their had been no easy task. In coupling the toast with the names of Col. J. R. Armstrong, Col. J. B. M. Baxter and Major P. W. Wetmore, he said it was an interesting feature of the evening that Col. Armstrong, who would reply to the toast on the 125th anniversary of the formation of the corps, had been its officer commanding on the occasion of its 100th anniversary. He also paid a tribute to Col. B. R. Armstrong, the present O. C. of the regiment, now stationed in Halifax and whose duties are being satisfactorily performed by Major P. W. Wetmore. Referring to Major Wetmore, Col. Powell said he was a solid, level-headed officer, who handled his men in good shape. It was Major Wetmore's desire to go overseas and he had volunteered for service, offering to revert from his rank if he could get an opportunity. As he was over, however, his offer was not accepted, but Col. Powell was pleased to pay tribute to the good work he was doing in his present position.

### Major Wetmore.

Major Wetmore replied briefly and convincingly. He apologized for the unavoidable absence of Lt. Col. B. R. Armstrong, the officer in command of the regiment, and in whose absence he was endeavoring to carry on. On the occasion of Col. B. R. Armstrong's last visit to Partridge Island he had expressed satisfaction with the manner in which the regiment was handled, and the speaker felt that that came as high praise. Since the outbreak of war the 3rd Regiment had sent sixty-seven officers overseas, practically all of whom had commenced their overseas training on the island and had successfully continued it until the time came for them to go across. Those who had gone over, like those whose duty it was to remain in Canada, took a keen pride in the old 3rd Regiment and would maintain in the future the fine traditions of its past.

### Lt. Col. J. R. Armstrong.

J. R. Armstrong said it was the duty of the men left behind in Canada to educate those whose services would be required at the front, and nowhere was this more necessary than in the case of the 3rd Regiment. He and his staff of officers on Partridge Island. He made brief reference to the history of the regiment which had been founded in 1793, ten years after the landing of the Loyalists. At that time England was at war with France and it fell to the duty of the original company to play a prominent and important part in guarding the coast against a possible enemy. Later they were called upon on many occasions, in "the bloodiest war," the American war, the Fenian raid, the Northwest rebellion, the South African war and in this, the greatest war of all times. In consideration of its size no corps in Canada had done more to supply men for overseas service than this fine old regiment which it had been his privilege to command, for a period of thirteen years. He expressed the regrets of his son, Lt. Col. B. R. Armstrong, at his inability to be present on the 125th anniversary of the regiment and in conclusion reaffirmed his pride in the regiment and extended his warmest wishes for a successful future.

### Lt. Col. J. B. M. Baxter.

Lt. Col. J. B. M. Baxter said that when the artillery corps had first been formed the Empire was engaged in a struggle against a nation led by a man whose desire it was to dominate the world. Conditions were much the same today, again the Empire is engaged in life and death struggle against a powerful foe, whose leader was actuated by the same ambition of world domination. Napoleon had aimed to master the world, but he was beaten just as the German Emperor who today aims at world mastery will be beaten. He then dealt briefly with some of the incidents in the history of the regiment since the time of the formation of the original artillery company under Captain John Colville. Since that time the regiment had always borne its part whenever called upon. In the South African war the regiment sent many of its men to fight, then as now, against a people dominated by Germany, and they had been successful then as they would be in the present conflict.

### Regiment's Fine Career.

Referring more particularly to the career of the regiment in peace times, he said there had always been a friendly rivalry between the different battalions. They had vied with each other in attaining perfection in their work and had won many trophies in competition as testimonials of their qualifications. The speaker paid particular tribute to Col. J. R. Armstrong, who had done more to bring the regiment and interest in it to some extent had waned, took charge and held it together. Had Col. Armstrong been less in earnest or less interested in the success of the corps it might have ceased to exist and it was largely through his effort that the regiment had continued to be successful. He felt quite safe in saying that the 3rd Regiment today owes more to Col. J. R. Armstrong than to any other man.

### The City of St. John.

Lt. J. Royden Thomson proposed the health of the city of St. John, coupling with it the name of Mayor Hayes.

His worship replied briefly, saying that the city had good reason to feel proud of the 3rd Regiment. That regiment had had a splendid history and enjoyed the proud record of always fulfilling its obligations. Through all its years it had done no better work than it was doing today, nor was it ever in better hands than at the present time. In conclusion he extended his felicitations to the regiment, a military unit which citizens regarded with pride.

### A Noteworthy List.

Col. Armstrong then read a list of artillery officers who had received decorations for war services. This list, he said, contained more names than there were officers in the original unit. This announcement was received with applause. The names and the honors awarded them are:

D. S. O.—Lt. Col. F. C. Magee, Capt. Leonard, Lt. Col. W. H. Harrison, Military Cross—Capt. C. P. Inches, Capt. Ryan, Lieut. J. H. A. L. Fairweather, J. B. Wetmore, Frank Clements, R. St. C. Hayes, J. A. Bruce, deYoung, Capt. Walter Harrison, Lieut. H. McLeod, —Cressy, —Brydone Jack and Capt. N. P. McLeod.

Croix de Guerre, given by the French Government—Lieut. Slader.

The party then adjourned to the large recreation room upstairs, where an impromptu sing song was held. Felicitations were exchanged and the guests returned to the city after having participated in a pleasant as well as historic gathering.

### The Church Service.

The artillerymen, with Major Wetmore in command, were highly complimented on their fine appearance yesterday morning as they marched through the streets en route to Trinity church. The unit assembled on King street east and headed by the Depot Battalion Band paraded to Trinity via Sydney, King Square, Charlotte and Germain streets.

Marching with Major Wetmore at the head of the unit were former officers of the 3rd N. B. C. G. A. viz., Lieut. Col. J. R. Armstrong, Lieut. Col. J. B. M. Baxter, Capt. J. A. Ring, Lt. J. Carleton, Maj. S. D. Crawford, Capt. E. G. Armstrong, Capt. S. A. M. Skinner.

The service was conducted by Canon R. A. Armstrong and Rev. Capt. G. F. Scovill, chaplain of the 3rd Canadian Garrison Artillery. Capt. Scovill, who delivered the anniversary sermon, took his text from John IV. 38: "Other men labored, and ye are entered into their labors."

"The Christian's justification," he said, "lies in the weapons of war in hand is the Man of Peace with the scourge driving the deserters from the precincts of the Holy Place at Jerusalem." There are clearly times when the fight is justified, and times when one should withhold his hand. The soldier who does the King's uniform thereby asserts his faith in the righteousness of his country's contention, as well as his faith in the future of his country's statesmen. We have reached the stage in the development of the corporate conscience of our race when few can be found who would toast "My country, right or wrong, my country."

"As one turns over the pages of history it appears that the crises in the experiences of our people have produced some of the most abiding results. There have sprung into being, for instance, out of the days of the greatest wars some of the most enduring and effective organizations. It was when a war cloud hung low on the eastern horizon, the war with one who is now our honored ally, consequent upon the French revolution, that the New Brunswick company of loyal artillery came into existence in 1793 A. D. Again it was at the time of the Papineau rebellion in Canada that this company was re-organized and enlarged into the 3rd Regiment of Artillery, with ten companies recruited in different parts of the province—this was in 1838. Still again it was just at the close of the great Crimean war that the regiment was again re-organized on the basis of enlistment. While it was when the trouble was brewing in Western Canada that the regiment was finally established on its present footing as garrison for St. John, this regiment has the honor of being the third oldest establishment of its class in the British Empire. Further, there has not been a war, since its inception, at

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Streams.

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in the forests of northern Maine hun-

dring Canada, in which this regiment has not taken some part, or at least, volunteered its services. In the South African war it sent some of its best to the fight, some never to return, some returning ever to carry the scars of battle, the rest, the proud bearers of deserved honors. Already it has sent forward over 2,000 men recruited through the regiment for the present mighty conflict, men who have made a name for our country in the field of artillery as well as proving themselves heroes in the fight. We have a right to be proud of the history of our regiment, proud of its spirit, proud of its accomplishments, proud of its men.

"In the course of its growth this regiment has been interwoven into the very fibre of the web of our city's life. Its soldiers, N. C. O.'s and its gunners have played a most prominent part in the development of our old Loyalist city. Its life has been the life of the city. It therefore becomes the citizens to rejoice with us today on this our one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary."

dreds, if not thousands, of Canadians who are either too proud or too timid to fight for their country and take that way of dodging the draft officer. Most of the slackers are from the Province of Quebec, although a few are said to come from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Reports of skulking Canadians in hiding up north have been heard for weeks, and it is known that military officers have to some extent investigated the stories, but it is impossible to hunt out and identify a man who sees fit to bury himself in a wilderness that stretches a hundred miles east and west and two hundred miles north and south, without the employment of more sleuths and the expenditure of more money and time than would be worth while. An ordinary man is not a conspicuous object in the Maine woods. There are many thousands of them, resident and non-resident, in the woods camps, on the log drives, in trappers' huts and scattered generally through the big wild.

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Washington, May 3.—Secretary of War Baker's estimates for the immediate war programme as submitted to the military committee total approximately \$15,000,000,000, he said today. The principal increases are in the ordnance bureau and the quartermaster-general's department.

The secretary said the airplane programme had not met expectations, and blamed the situation on over-confidence of the government and lack of ability of contractors to fulfill their contracts as speedily as they had promised. He told of the needs of various bureaus, in the light of the knowledge he obtained in Europe. His trip, he said, opened his eyes to the magnitude of operations.

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