



L-R S/Sgts. J. R. Chaytor and R. V. J. Paradis, Insp. L. E. J. MacIsaac, the Hon. Paul Martin, Cpl. D. B. Kilpatrick, Sir Robert Mark.

M. G. Clark, for Canada and the receipt of a Long Service Medal by S/Sgt. A. H. Hamm. Social gatherings for members and their wives were held for both events.

Ditto On page 46 of the Winter, 1978 issue, we noted that there were two S/Sgts. Canning in the Force at the same time, father and son. C/Supt. J. E. G. Noiseux told us that yes, there had once been another such team. Cpl. John M. L. Somers (later Inspector), was promoted sergeant on November 1, 1946. His father, James Joseph Somers, was promoted sergeant on March 1, 1947, exactly ten months before he retired to pension.

Presentation The home of the Canadian High Commissioner at 12 Upper Brook Street, London, England, was the setting recently for a very memorable occasion. On December 12, 1977, the Honourable Paul Martin hosted a luncheon for the Force's presentation of an RCMP Centennial Rifle to the retired Commissioner of the London Metropolitan Police, Sir Robert Mark.

Headquarters, Ottawa, had been informed that Sir Robert was formally retiring in March of 1977, in view of the close liaison our Forces have enjoyed and, in particular, the friendship of Sir Robert and Commissioner Nadon. The Centennial Rifle, No. 16 of the limited edition, was forwarded to London, in a fitted display case with a suitably-engraved plaque. It had been hoped that Commissioner Nadon could have made the presentation to Sir Robert on his visit to London, but the busy schedules of the two senior officers precluded this. So the presentation was made by Insp. MacIsaac, following appropriate introductory remarks by the High Commissioner.

Sir Robert expressed his gratitude to the Force and, in particular, harkened to the co-operation between our Forces. The new Commissioner, Sir David McNee, reiterated these remarks and assured the Force of continued co-operation in the future.

The rifle and case will be displayed in the trophy area of Metropolitan Police London Headquarters, New Scotland Yard.