

scarlet uniform and bearskin, the regiment will undoubtedly present a very fine appearance.

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A meeting of delegates of the Montreal Amalgamated Rifle Association was held in the Armoury of the Prince of Wales Rifles on Saturday evening, 25th March. Lieut.-Col. Butler presided, and there were also present Majors Ibbottson, Busted and Blaiklock, Capts. Finlayson and Macaulay, Messrs. Riddell, Drysdale, Macrae, Foote, Jehu, Ward, Allan, Cole, Binmore (sec'y-treas.) and others.

The election of officers resulted in Lieut.-Col. Butler and Major Ibbottson being appointed respectively President and Vice-President for the ensuing year. Mr. Binmore who has ably filled the position of secretary-treasurer for the past three years resigned that post, and his resignation was very reluctantly accepted. No successor has as yet been appointed. The delegates from the various Rifle Associations have not yet been elected.

Owing to the uncertainty of the dates of the League and P.Q.R.A. matches this year, not much progress could be made with a programme for the season's work. It was, however, resolved that it would be advisable for the P.Q.R.A. matches to be held this summer in June (just prior to the departure of the Bisley team) instead of in August as usual.

The meeting then adjourned until the 8th of April.

TORONTO.

The Queen's Own Rifles turned out for the first time this year on 29th inst. The regiment paraded 517 strong, under command of Lieut.-Col. Hamilton, Majors Delamere and Sankey, and Capt. and Adj. M. S. Mercer. Taking into account a recruit class of 61, which remained in the drill shed, the full strength was 578. Thirty officers were on parade. The regiment headed by the bugle and brass bands, marched out of the drill shed shortly after 8 o'clock. After being put through a number of battalion formations the regiment returned to the drill shed, where they were dismissed after regimental orders had been read.

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No less than 16 privates, one sergeant and two lieutenants of the old 'Varsity company of the Queen's Own still remain on the roll, and more are expected to enlist in the fall. Mr. W. A. Scott, of Wycliffe College, has qualified and been appointed a sergeant in the company. He took 88 per cent. on his certificate examination. Mr. W. A. Gilmour, '03, has been appointed to a lieutenancy, and has been posted to K company.

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The ambulance corps of the Queen's Own is ordered to meet at the Drill Shed every Monday evening for drill and instruction in their special duties.

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The Sergeants' Mess of the Royal Grenadiers brought to a close a very successful session, by a Smoking Concert on Friday evening, the 24th March. The Sergeants of this Regiment have always been noted for their concerts, but this capped anything they have before attempted.

The magnificent band of the Regiment opened the proceedings with two selections, which were enthusiastically received. Following came songs, etc., by Messrs McLean, Walker, Small, Flint, S. Wilson, Cleary, F. Wright, the Orlando Quartette Club, G. McLean, G. Piggott, Sims, Richards, F. H. Kerrison Major, a recitation "Tel-el-Kebir," by Sergt. McDonald, and some capital club swinging by Mr. Stevens.

Mr. Musgrove officiated at the piano with his usual ability. Among those present were Lieut.-Col. Dawson, A. D. C., Majors Mason and Hay, Captains Irving, McLean, McKay, Bruce and Tassie, Lieut. Chadwick, etc. The president of the Mess, Staff-Sergt. Bewley, made an excellent chairman.

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The Royal Grenadiers paraded on 30th inst. for the first time this season under the command of Lieut.-Col. Dawson. The parade strength was 421 of all ranks. The regiment marched out along Jarvis street to Carlton, along Carlton to Yonge, and by way of Yonge and Wellington to the drill shed, per-

forming a few battalion movements *en route*. Before dismissing the parade, Lieut.-Col. Dawson presented the sergeant's certificates to those successful in the late examinations. He announced that in future, in competition for the Cumberland cup, attendance would count as well as drill; also that badges would be presented to the members of the company successful in winning the cup.

It is proposed to double the number of musicians and have a bugle band in addition to the two bands that the regiment already has. If the idea is carried out it will take about \$400 to equip the additional men and about \$400 a year to maintain them.

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At the recruit class of the Royal Grenadiers on 28th inst. there were about 100 recruits present. This is claimed to be the largest number ever shown by any of the city corps at the beginning of a season.

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The enterprising residents of Cannington, Ont., sent a deputation consisting of Capt. Bick and Mr. N. Clark to wait on the Royal Grenadiers, offering every inducement to them to visit their town on Her Majesty's birthday. We sincerely trust, however, that the corps will take the trip to Montreal this year; they will receive a very hearty welcome.

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The 12th York Rangers are determined to hold the Gzowski Cup, and also improve their present enviable position as the leading rural corps. They have four officers attending the Military School.

Arrangements have been made to hold the annual ball on 14th of April.

The shooting team will be stronger than ever.

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The 48th Highlanders paraded for the first time at old Upper Canada College barracks on 24th inst. There was a very fair turnout, considering that it was the first parade of the season. After inspection Lieut.-Col. Davidson presented the non-commissioned officers with the certificates obtained at the recent examinations, and announced that another non-coms' class would be formed at once. The companies were then marched to their private parades. Attendance badges will be granted at the end of the year to those who attend 90 per cent. of the drills.

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Paragraphs have been appearing recently in the papers to the effect that the 48th Highlanders are going to Windsor on May 24th. The regiment has received invitations from Galt, Windsor, Woodstock, and other places, but Hamilton is the place that Lieut.-Col. Davidson promised to visit first, and it is there the regiment will go. There is some talk of a trip to Chicago in July if the military authorities can arrange it. The recruit classes are getting along well, and a large number of fine young men are being initiated in the mysteries of the manual and squad drill. The band is getting into excellent trim.

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The members of the Upper Canada College Rifles held their first annual dinner on 28th ult. at Upper Canada College. After dinner the boys were entertained with a very good musical programme, given by the company chorus; also with speeches from their guests, who were as follows:— Capt. Gunther, Q.O.R.; Lieuts. Wyatt, Q.O.R.; J. T. Thompson, Royal Grenadiers; H. C. MacLean, 48th Batt., and F. L. Crosby, 48th Batt. The above are all old college boys and take a great interest in the college corps.

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The veterans of '60 met in large numbers at the Arlington Hotel on Wednesday evening, 22nd March, on the occasion of the annual meeting of the association. Lieut.-Col. Dunn presided. The committee appointed to prepare a constitution reported, and the draft presented was accepted. The regular meetings of the association were fixed for the second Wednesday in February, May, August and November, the August meeting to be the annual meeting for the election of officers and reception of reports. A suggestion to hold an excursion this summer to the field of Ridgeway was warmly received, and referred to the executive for action.

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