

News of the Service.

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Kingston.

* * We want a correspondent, well informed as to military doings in Kingston, to write us a letter twice a month. Address the publishers.

The 14th are looking for new instruments for their band. We are told their band committee has gone to New York to inspect and look up the very best in that line.

Tuesday evening, 9th, E Co. of the 14th, began its fall drill. B Co. began on Oct. 3.

One of the most difficult examinations in England is that for the Staff College. It is second only to that for the Indian Civil Service, and those only who succeed in obtaining this College diploma are eligible for staff appointments at home or abroad. It is highly gratifying, therefore, to Canadians in general, and to Kingstonians in particular, to notice that in the recently published lists of successful candidates at the entrance examinations, three Canadians take prominent places, and that one of these, who took the highest place of the three, is Lieut. G. M. Kirkpatrick, son of the Lieut.-Governor of Ontario.

Lieut. Kirkpatrick is an officer in the Royal Engineers. He was first of his year at the Royal Military College, seven years ago. He passed a very creditable examination, taking the highest marks ever made in the important subject of Military History.

The second of the three was Capt. F. Sh. D. Skinner, of the 2nd Batt. Royal Sussex Regiment, a son of a former commanding officer of the 13th Battalion of Hamilton.

The third was Capt. H. E. Wise, of the 2nd Batt. of the Derbyshire Regiment, and who acted as A. D. C. to General Sir Fred Middleton, during the Northwest campaign of 1885. This officer was nominated for the College by the Duke of Cambridge.—*Kingston News.*

"A" Battery is practising the musical ride in the riding school again in preparation for their sports. The horses are being got under excellent control by the men, and are quickly becoming familiar with the evolutions of the ride. The musical ride is being practiced under direction of Riding Instructor Gimblett. After putting in an hour's hard practice in the riding school, the detachment rode to Artillery park, where horses and men were exercised at "heads and posts."

The 14th are to have weekly drills to gymnastic exercises this fall.

Sergt.-Major Morgans is to meet Sgt.-Instructor Hawker and the victor Sgt.-Major Kelly for the military athletic championship of Canada.

The military writer in the *News* wants to know why a military tournament should not be successfully gotten up in Kingston which with A Battery, the 14th and the 4th Hussars, can turn out first-class material for such a performance. Why not, indeed?

Lieut. Ogilvie, of A Battery, has secured leave of absence for a month. He will marry a wealthy lady in Quebec.

In the 14th Rifle match, Sergt.-Major Morgans secured first place for the president's prize. Pte. Pilkey secured first in all the all-comers match. The highest individual score in the team match for the medal presented by the 1894 rifle team was tied by Bandsman G. Robinson and Pte. Pilkey. The tie in the aggregate was made by Ptes. A. Hora and T. Asselstine. They fired off for second place and Pte. Hora won. The Lieutenant-Governor's cup and D. R. A. silver medal were secured by Pte. Cunningham, and the D. R. A. bronze medal by Pte. A. Hora.—*Toronto Empire*, Sept. 27th.

Halifax.

Oct. 2nd, the day upon which the annual mobilization of the Halifax Garrison was to have taken place, proved so wet that about 11.30 a.m. the orders were countermanded.

The Halifax G. Artillery 63rd Batt. Rifle, 66th Regt., P.L.F., paraded at the drill shed at 8 a.m. The King's Troop Can. Hussars paraded at the Citadel. The G. Artillery were ordered to proceed to the Queen's lumber yard and at 11 o'clock embarked upon the transports, forming detachments for York Redoubt, Ives Point, Fort Clarence, and Fort Charlotte, but they were shortly recalled and marched back to their quarters.

The postponed attack upon the harbour defences was made on the 8th inst., but as it was so difficult for the Militia Regts. to muster for another day's work, they were not called out and the attack was made by H.M.S. "Tourmaline" and two torpedo boats, assisted by a portion of the King's Regt., was successfully resisted by the R.A.R.E. and remainder of the King's Regt.

The H.G.A. manned Forts Ogilvie and Cambridge and sent an armed patrol to Point Pleasant for the night attack, which was made by torpedo boats. These boats attempted to steal into port under cover of darkness, but with the aid of the powerful search light at Point Pleasant Fort, their presence was soon discovered and they had to bear the fire from the various forts from York Redoubt to Fort Charlotte, which would have effectually sent the crews to Davy Jones' locker had the guns been loaded with shell instead of blank ammunition.

Toronto.

THE 48TH'S RIFLE MATCHES.

An Excellent Day for Shooting Accountable for Many High Scores Saturday.

The annual rifle matches of the 48th Highlanders came off on Saturday, Sept. 29th, at the Long Branch rifle ranges.

The number of competitors may be gauged by the fact that in the general match there were 225 entries. Owing to the great number the matches took rather more time than they otherwise would, and the volley firing had to be left out of the skirmishing competition.

There was a light wind from the left from "9 o'clock," but the light was good and it was almost a perfect day for shooting. Messrs. Simpson, president of the Caledonian Society, Fred Wyld, William Adamson and others were out to watch the firing. The prizes amounted in value to \$1550, exclusive of cups. Major Dela- mere acted as executive officer.

Following were the range officers: Capt. W. Macdonald, R.L.; Lieut. A. D. Cartwright, 47th Battalion; Lieut. V. Chadwick, Royal Grenadiers; Lieut. E. P. McNeill, Queen's Own Rifles; Staff-Sergt. McVittie, of the Royal Grenadiers, assisted the range officers. Here are the scores:

Nursery Match.

Open to all members of the regiment who have never won a prize at any National, Dominion, Provincial or battalion rifle match; ranges and position, 200 yards, kneeling; 400 yards prone; rounds, seven at each range.

30—Bugler Selby, H co	61
6—Capt Currie, C co	59
5—Bugle-Corp Banks, E co	58
5—Pioneer Robertson, F co	58
4—Pte Cowan, H co	58
4—Pte Kirkland, D co	58
4—Pte Evans B co	58
3.50—Lieut. Hamilton, B co	51
3.50—Sergt. Grindlay, D co	50
3—Pte Malcolm H co	49
3—Pte Ferrier, E co	48
3—Pte Renfrew, A co	48
2—Pioneer McArthur, D co	48
2—Pte Steward, H co	47
1.50—Pte Wilsie, C co	45
1.50—Lieut.-Col Davidson, staff	45
1.50—Lance-Sergt Dawson D co	45
1.50—Pte Hosie, C co	45

General Match.

Open to all members of the regiment. Ranges and positions—200 yards, kneeling; 400 and 500 yards, prone; 7 rounds at each range.

25—Pte Milligan, H co	94
20—Bugler Selby, H co	93
14—Capt Orchard, E co	93
11—Sergt Graham, H co	92
11—Bugle-Corp Collicle, B co	91
11—Major Henderson, H co	88
10—Capt Currie, C co	88
10—Corp Kerr, C co	88
10—Staff-Sergt Harp, H co	87
10—Staff-Sergt A Rosh, A co	87
10—Major Macdonald, staff	86
10—Sergt H Ritchie, F co	85
10—Sergt Martin, H co	84
9—Pte Brethin, H co	84
9—Pte Mishaw, A co	83
9—Pte Fisher, G co	83
9—Pioneer-Sergt Wright, D co	82
9—Color-Sergt Smith, E co	82
9—Bugle-Corp Banks, E co	82
9—Bugle-Sergt Kennedy, C co	82
9—Pioneer Robertson, F co	81
9—Sergt Ferguson, B co	81
9—Pte Hamon, H co	81
9—Sergt McEvoy, H co	80
9—Pte Evans, B co	78
9—Pte Thompson, H co	76
9—Corp Jones, A co	76
9—Sergt Davinson, G co	75
7.75—Lieut Mitchell, E co	74
7.50—Sergt Grindlay, D co	73
7.25—Pte Smith, E co	73
7—Pte Rowley, H co	72
7—Pte Wallace, H co	71
7—Lieut.-Col Davidson	70
7—Pte Kirkland, D co	70
7—Pte Malcolm, H co	68
7—Lieut Hamilton, B co	68
7—Pte Young, C co	68
7—Pte Henderson, A co	67
6.50—Staff-Sergt Hollinger, C co	67
6—Bandsman Wilsie, C co	67
6—Pioneer McArthur, D co	67
6—Pte McIntosh, G co	66
6—Bandmaster Griffin, F co	65
6—Pte Hoste, C co	64
5—Pte Davidson, A co	65
5—Pte Pollock, C co	65
5—Sergt John Graham, A co	65
5—Pte McDonnell, F co	65
5—Pte Elliott, A co	64
5—Pte Steward, H co	63
5—Pte May, H co	62