

a man who acted like this would be set down as a snob."

"I'm not certain but what he is now by the right thinking men in a regiment," was the reply.

That which seems to attract the attention of experienced men, is that there is on the part of the rising generation a tendency to unjustified self-assertion, to ignore what may be called stock knowledge, to have but little respect for age and superior experience, and to be much impressed with one's own knowledge and wisdom. Much of the cause for this change is, we believe, due to the greater refinement of the present middle-aged man. In former times men, particularly in the Army, and having rank, had no hesitation in expressing their opinions freely, and somewhat coarsely to any youngster whose style or conduct was not to their idea what it should be. There was no mistaking the words made use of in former times, nor was there any hesitation about making the presuming youngster very quickly learn his proper position, and thus have the conceit taken out of him. Now, however, it is rare to find seniors who are bullies, or who have not such consideration for the feelings of others that they would rather let matters alone, or give hints only as to future conduct, instead of giving their opinions in the rough manner formerly practised.

This being the case, young undisciplined men, or overgrown boys, presume on such forbearance, and glide into a style of independence which when overdone makes the difference between the modern youth and the modest lout, somewhat difficult to define.

Referring to this subject in its military aspect, it is noticeable to all observers, how much the character of a young officer and his manners depend on the regiment he is in, and how, consequently, you can judge the style of a regiment in a great measure by means of any young officer belonging to it. In some regiments the tone and discipline is such that the young officer obtains as much training in his manners and style as if he were been coached for a court page. Any peculiarity of mannerism is quietly but decidedly quizzed or pointed out, and never overlooked, the result being that from even rough materials a well trained gentleman is eventually turned out. In other regiments such is not the case, or what is still worse, there are one or two men of bad style who are imitated by the youngsters, and looked up to as prophets.

The worst position in which a young officer can be placed is either to join with a large batch of other youngsters to be alone on detachment, or to be quartered with only one or two seniors whose style is bad.

In the first case, the youngsters all associate together, and the influence of seniors is not felt as it should be; a clique of inexperienced youths is formed, whose wisdom or jokes, admiringly applauded by each other, are in reality the veriest trash, and deficient usually even in originality.

When an officer is alone on detachment he is in a trying position; he may develop into anything. He may become the morning snoker and beer drinker, whose brain is always more or less tuddled, and who can rarely be trusted in cases where judgment is concerned; or he may suddenly take what is improperly termed a religious turn, and will imagine and assert himself to be more holy than other men.

When young men thus develop they usually depart from the Church of England, and select some sect where they can take

a more prominent position than they could in the plain Church sphere. They are impressed with the belief that nearly everyone except themselves is in a bad way, and they are usually of a melancholy tone of mind. Though conscientiously erudite and frequently injudicious in their duties, self reliance and an ignoring of the opinions of others are frequently a marked peculiarity of their condition. They mean well, but are under the conviction that they themselves are guided by something higher and quite different from common sense and reason.

Although by no means harmless, these men are far less detrimental than the fast, horsey, betting youngster, who, having money, spends it at a rate that will soon bring his purse to zero. It is this stamp of man who is continually voting for mess entertainments, for pic-nics, and balls, and who thinks all who do not live at the same rate and in the same horsey fashion unmitigated muffs. They judge of the merits of a man solely and entirely from his horsiness, for they have no other standard by which they can judge. A frequent peculiarity of such specimens is the perpetual toothpick, and the special horsey cut trousers.

Some may have seen in former times the types of these modern youths, but they were rare formerly where they are common now. Perhaps the most marked change noticeable in the young man of the present day is in the disregard which youngsters too often have for the conventionalities of society, and in the lack of respect due to age, rank, and sex, while the vulgar self-assertion which more than all else was in olden times the great characteristic of the low-bred upstart, is now a very common attribute with those whose birth and position would lead you to expect from them the bearing of gentlemen.—*Broad Arrow*, 22nd May.

66th Battalion Rifle Association.

The Rifle Association of the 66th Halifax Volunteer Battalion held their annual meeting last evening, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Lieut. Col. Jas. J. Bremner, (re-elected).
Vice President—Lieut. Col. John R. Murray.
Secretary and Treasurer—Major E. H. Reeves.

Council—Surgeon Slator, Assistant Surgeon Trenain, Captain Herbin, Lieutenant West, Sergts. Cameron, Stevens, Fader Longueil and McDowell.

Sergeant Stevens, a member of the Association, having been selected to go to Wimbledon as one of the Canadian Team, and it being represented that certain funds would be required to enable him to compete in the different competitions, a subscription list was started and the handsome sum of \$107 was raised in a few minutes. Mr. Stevens leaves by the *Falmouth* on Tuesday evening next to proceed to Quebec to join the Wimbledon Team.

Major E. H. Reeves, the Secretary, submitted an elaborate and detailed report, showing very great improvement in the shooting of the members for the past year; also, that the sum of \$429 had been spent in prizes during the year. The membership is 107. The fixing of the date of the Battalion match was referred to the Council.—*Acadian Recorder*, June 14.

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No. 1 Company, Montague.

To be Captain, provisionally:

Donald McLeod, Esquire.

To be Lieutenant, provisionally:

Charles B. Fraser, Gentleman.

To be Ensign provisionally:

R. W. Sprague, Gentleman.

No. 2 Company, St. Peter's Bay.

To be Captain, provisionally:

Peter J. Ryan, Esquire.

To be Lieutenant, provisionally:

John McIsaac, Gentleman.

To be Ensign provisionally:

Peter J. McKinnon, Gentleman.

No. 3 Company, Suis.

To be Captain:

Captain Malcolm Lealio.

To be Lieutenant, provisionally:

James Moynagh, Gentleman.

To be Ensign, provisionally:

James McQuinn, Gentleman.

By Command,

WALKER POWELL, Colonel.

Adjutant General of Militia,

Canada.

Wimbledon Team of 1875.

The Canadian Wimbledon Team sailed by the Nova Scotian on Saturday for England, under command of Lieut.-Col. MacKinnlay of Halifax, and Major Cotton of "A" Battery, Kingston, as second officer.

The following names comprise the Team selected in the several Provinces this year:

WIMBLEDON TEAM FOR 1875.

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	COMP.	PROV.
1.	Captain	E. Arnold,	74th Batt.,	N.E.
2.	Private	A. Bell,	10th "	Ont.
3.	Sergeant	Crutt,	10th "	Ont.
4.	Private	Copping,	Three Rivers bt.Q.	
5.	Private	J. Loggie,	71st batt.,	N.R.
6.	Ensign	C. Waters,	25th "	Ont.
7.	Captain	A. Nelson,	78th "	N.S.
8.	Ensign	J. E. Fitch,	78th "	N.S.
9.	Private	H. Pinder,	71st "	N.R.
10.	Sergeant	H. Power,	61st "	Ont.
11.	Private	J. R. Mills,	10th "	N.S.
12.	Major	J. W. Gibson,	13th "	Ont.
13.	Sergeant	W. H. Stevens,	69th "	N.S.
14.	Sergeant	H. J. Harris,	1st U'y Gar. Art.	N.S.
15.	Sergeant	Hill,	1st batt.,	Q.
16.	Ensign	Wright,	50th "	Q.
17.	Private	J. Little,	10th "	Ont.
18.	Private	Paulin,	61st "	N.S.
19.	Sergeant	J. Hunter,	Engineers,	N.R.
20.	Private	Ward,	65th batt.,	N.S.
ONTARIO.....				6
QUEBEC.....				3
NEW BRUNSWICK.....				4
NOVA SCOTIA.....				7
Total.....				20

The team is considered a good one, and we hope the members will give good account of their shooting at Wimbledon. Unusual interest will attend the competition this year, in view of the contemplated visit of a team from Australia, to compete with the Canadian and English teams for the Rajah of Kolapore's prize. His Excellency the Governor General, the Premier (Hon. Mr. Mackenzie), and Lieut. Col. Gzowski, President of the Dominion Rifle Association, will be present at the Wimbledon meeting, which commences on the 12th July next.