

REGIMENTAL NOTES.

(We wish to publish information respecting all the doings of all corps. Will the officers interested, particularly at a distance, assist us by having news relating to their corps promptly forwarded?)

TORONTO.—The final meeting of the military board for this district was held at the drill shed on the 21st. There have been in all 66 cases before the board. The Royal Grenadiers had 34, of which 13 were wounded; the York and Simcoe Battalion had 11; the Queen's Own Rifles had 10, of which 5 were wounded; "C" Company, Infantry School Corps, had 7, all being wounded men; the Governor-General's Body Guard had 2; the 90th Winnipeg Rifles had 2 wounded men.

QUEBEC.—One of the most imposing funerals witnessed here for a long time past, was that of the late Mr. Samuel Kennedy, which took place in this city on the 22nd. The deceased was a staff-sergeant of the 8th Royal Rifles, one of the best shots in the regiment, and also well known to the "marksmen" outside of Quebec, having often assisted in upholding the honor of the "Eighth" at both the Dominion and Provincial matches, and as a good and honored soldier his remains were escorted to the grave by his former companions-in-arms. He was also a prominent Freemason, and as such the Brethren of the Square and Compasses assembled to pay their last tribute of respect.

The firing party of the 8th Royals, under the command of Color-Sergt. Alex. Thompson, of No. 6 Company, proceeded to the late residence of the deceased, proceeded by the band of the regiment. A strong detachment of members of the battalion was also in attendance in charge of Color-Sergt. A. W. Colley. Amongst the officers of the battalion present we noticed Lieut.-Col. Scott, commanding officer, Capts. W. E. Russell and Wurtele, Lieuts. Miller, Jones, and Dunbar, also Major Crawford Lindsay, Quebec Field Battery, and several staff-sergeants of the 9th Battalion, Quebec Field Battery, Cavalry School Corps and "B" Battery.

AMUSEMENTS.

(If the active organizers of regimental games, company clubs, and similar winter occupations for the militia will forward us accounts of their doings we will gladly publish them. This, we hope, will have the good result of encouraging the organization of similar clubs where there are none at present.)

TORONTO—"C" Company, I. S. C., gave a ball on the night of the 22nd at their quarters in the New Fort barracks. Great pains had evidently been taken with the preparations. The decorations are described by the Mail as being particularly noticeable. Naturally partaking, to a large extent, of a military character. Among the more striking were a very effective design, consisting of the monogram "I.S.C.," ingeniously made of cleaning-rods, helmet-spikes and helmet-chains, surrounded by a star of bayonets, etc. The banister of the stairs had a rifle, with bayonet fixed, lashed to each rung, the whole having a very pleasing effect. The mess-room was entirely cleared of furniture, the floor waxed, and the walls hung with bunting, shields, and various devices. On entering the room the eye first met the badge of the corps above a scroll on which was written "God Save Our Queen." At the other end of the room was a shield bearing the date "December 21st, 1883 (the day on which the corps began its existence), and the motto "Tempus Fugit." On one side of the room hung a shield with the monogram "I.S.C." and surmounted by a crown, opposite to which a huge buffalo's head stood out from the wall. From the buffalo's head to the doors on either side stretched festoons of palm looped up by four shields, upon which were inscribed "Battleford," "Fish Creek," "Cut Knife," and "Batoche." The supper room was also elaborately adorned *à la militaire*. Shields, helmets, lances, daggers, and sabres of antique design, not to mention the more modern implements of warfare in the shape of rifles, bayonets, etc., hung in profusion from the walls. Festoons of flags, bunting, and evergreens were everywhere suspended. In fact all available space was tastefully decorated. Fully three hundred guests, including the Lieutenant-Governor with his family and guests, took part in the festivities, and the whole ball was an unqualified success.

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Notice to Contractors.

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By order,
A. P. BRADLEY,
Secretary.

Department of Railways and Canals,
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