

Regimental Notes.

TORONTO.

A most successful entertainment was given at the Pavilion of the Horticultural gardens last week by the Veterans of '66 Association. It was given under the auspices of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Col. Otter, D. A. G., and the officers of the Toronto Garrison, and the Pavilion was well filled with a large and very interested audience. The chief features of the entertainment were the four-part songs by 150 girls, under the direction of Mr. Perrin, and their physical exercise and light gymnastics under the direction of Major J. T. Thompson. The performers were loudly applauded, and did their parts with the utmost grace and skill.

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The regular meeting of the sergeants' mess, Royal Grenadiers, was held last week, Sergt. Maj. Cox presiding. After the regular business had been concluded the sergeant major, in a few well chosen remarks, presented Col. Sergt. W. K. Bennett with a handsome meerschaum pipe, as first prize in the euchre parties held during the winter. The second prize, a handsome briar pipe, was presented to Sergt. Gilmour. It is the intention of the sergeants to hold an excursion on the lake at an early date.

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Piper Drummond, of the 48th Highlanders, is back from Chicago, where he was on a visit to the World's Fair with the contingent of the Clan McLean. He speaks very highly of the manner in which they were received there, as he was one of the five pipers of the regiment that accompanied the excursion. He says that the Highland pipers were as great a curiosity as anything on the grounds. The greatest feature of the fair, in his estimation, is the exhibition given at Tattersall's, where the British soldiers are giving scenes from British military life. The riding of the British soldiers is far superior to any given in the Wild West show.

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There is a proposition on foot to have a union picnic at Oakville of the 13th Battalion and the 48th Highlanders, of Toronto.

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The wearing of the kilt is becoming contagious. Since the gallant 48th was formed, Chicago formed a kilted corps; Hamilton, Ottawa, Glengarry and British Columbia have been taking steps to wear the kilt; and now Buffalo, not to be behind in the race, has its company of stalwarts uniformed in full Highland costume. A short time ago the St. Andrew's Society of that city agreed to supply 50 men with uniforms, provided that number of men would volunteer to form themselves into a Highland company. The other evening the company was organized and already 32 men are drilling. They have adopted the name "The Buffalo Gordon Highlanders," in honor of

Earl Aberdeen, the Governor General of Canada. When the 48th Highlanders went to Hamilton on the Queen's birthday, a deputation from Buffalo visited that city and inspected the uniforms, which they recommended should be adopted by the Buffalo company, and this recommendation having been agreed upon, the uniform of the 48th Highlanders, which is according to the regulations of the British services, will be worn by the Buffalonians. The following officers have been elected: Messrs. James Braik, capt.; Thos. D. MacNoc, 1st lieutenant; D. W. McConnell, 2nd lieutenant; Alexander Collic, secretary; James Whyte, treasurer; Jas. Nicol, assistant secretary; trustees, Messrs. Thomas Patterson and Alex. McNaughton.

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A few months ago it was said that the Canadian Dragoons, quartered at Quebec, were to march for Toronto and take up their permanent quarters here. The arrangements were all completed and quarters were fitted up at the New Fort barracks for the Dragoons. It was expected that they would be here about the first of May. Now leafy June is far spent, and although the Dragoons were said to have received their orders to march out they have not put in an appearance yet. The troopers have not by any means lost their way, but they have to remain in Quebec until the politicians settle a fight over some promotions that are in prospect when they come here. Time is said to be the great leveller, at any rate he is the good friend of the politician who has to settle a fight for a Government office. Several cavalry officers of militia are after the appointment in question, and they all have a strong political following, too strong to be offended. Until the fight is settled the Dragoons will not come to Toronto. So say those who are on the inside track.

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A meeting of the officers of the 48th Highlanders was held on the night of the 20th at the orderly-room, Lt. Col. Davidson presiding. A committee consisting of Major Macdonald, and Capts. Robertson, Hendrie, Hunter and Currie was appointed to make the preliminary arrangements for the holding of a military tournament and Caledonian games under the auspices of the regiment early this fall. The intention is to make the event one of the most successful ever held in Canada. An effort will be made to arrange for the presence of the new Governor General, Lord Aberdeen, and also to fix the date so as to secure the presence of a number of the Scottish athletes who are going to take part in the games at the World's Fair. The programme, which will be of an extensive character, will include amateur and professional athletics, bicycling, and events of a military character.

MONTREAL.

The Garrison Artillery, Lieut.-Col. F. Cole, commanding, passed a very good artillery inspection on the 9th inst., and moreover made a pretty creditable showing at infantry work the day after. Up to a few

years ago this corps was really an infantry battalion called artillery and wearing the handsome artillery uniform. A good infantry battalion it made too. The physique of the men was good and there was among them an esprit de corps of the very highest class. The brigade when it turned out on the Champ de Mars not only looked well, but marched past, manoeuvred and went through the manual exercise with the best of the crack infantry battalions. It was nice to look at, the public liked it and the young men writing for the daily papers gave the Garrison a good send off. The big guns provided for the exercise of the men in artillery work lay half covered up with dust in the Drill Hall. Now and again detachments were got up to send to Quebec to compete in the annual matches of the Dominion Artillery Associations. They were scratch teams and did not cover the name of the Montreal Garrison Artillery with glory. This last inspection showed that the Garrison Artillery is not such a showy infantry corps as it used to be, but that on the other hand it is well up in its artillery work, and who can say, but that is an improvement and a very distinct one. There is not a man in the battalion now, but knows something about artillery work and some are very well up in it, remarkably well up considering that the whole battalion has only one artillery instructor.

The following is the report of the inspection by Lieut.-Col. Irwin. All members of the battalion should study the report, as it clearly shows where they are deficient as well as where they are efficient. As it is more than likely that Lt.-Col. Irwin will inspect them next year all should be prepared to pass a good artillery inspection and leave the infantry work, outside of a few company movements and the manual and firing exercises, to the infantry corps:

| Subjects. | Possible | No. 1 Co. | No. 2 Co. | No. 3 Co. | No. 4 Co. | No. 5 Co. | No. 6 Co. |
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| Clothing and accoutrements..... | 10 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 6 |
| Man. and firing.... | 20 | 16 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 14 | 13 |
| Company drill..... | 20 | 12 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 12 | 12 |
| Gun drill..... | 80 | 58 | 47 | 32 | 30 | 16 | 46 |
| Discip. and inter economy..... | 10 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Officers questions.. | 48 | 25 | 31 | 6 | 14 | 10 | 8 |
| N. C. officers' questions..... | 72 | 28 | 50 | 15 | 42 | 26 | 37 |
| Absentees..... | | 1 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Total marks..... | 260 | 151 | 166 | 95 | 130 | 92 | 129 |
| Officers absent..... | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |

The inspection of the Royal Scots took place Saturday 17th. The picturesque regiment never looked better and that is saying a great deal. For physique the Scots cannot be excelled and their drill if not perfect in some respects was very good.

The parade state was as follows: Three field officers, Lieut.-Col. Strathy, and Majors, Ibbotson and Galt; four staff officers, Adjutant Lydon, Paymaster W. Foulis, Quartermaster R. G. Foster, and Assistant Q Surgeon Rollo Campbell. A company, Capt. Rankin, Lieuts. W. A. Cameron, 4 sergeants and 29 men; B company, Major Blaiklock, Lieut. Mackay, 4 sergeants and 20 men; C company, Captain J. S. Ibbotson, Lieuts. Meighen and Forbes, 3 sergeants and 29 men; D company, Captain G. S. Cantlie,