

A SHARE in the jubilee honors has fallen to the lot of the Canadian militia. The Orders tell us that Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to signify her approval of the cavalry and infantry schools in the Dominion being in future designated "Royal." The favor is one which will be fully appreciated, and doubtless the pleasure of attendance at the schools, and the possession of certificates from them, will be enhanced by the more imposing name they will bear.

THE gains and losses shown in the changes amongst the officers of the active militia about balance each other. There are several noteworthy promotions. Major J. G. Bignell becomes Lieut.-Colonel commanding the 23rd "Beauce" battalion, in place of the late Lt.-Col. Duchesnay, who had held the command for seven years. Major J. F. Nott, the senior major of the 1st Batt., Prince of Wales Regiment, retires retaining rank, and the Adjutant, Capt. S. Campbell, is promoted to the vacant majority.

ANOTHER series of promotions has to be chronicled of the Victoria Rifles, consequent upon the elevation to a judgeship of Lt.-Col. C. P. Davidson, who only a few months ago succeeded to the command. He now retires retaining rank. The Vic's cannot well afford to lose the services of officers so enthusiastic, efficient and popular as is Col. Davidson, but a worthy successor has been appointed in the person of Lt.-Col. F. C. Henshaw, just promoted from the majority, to which rank he attained in 1884. The new commanding officer, who is comparatively a young man, has grown up with the regiment, and been actively identified with the many enterprises designed and carried out by it of late years. Capt. J. P. Edwards, the zealous adjutant, has been promoted to the vacant majority.

Our Riflemen at Wimbledon.

THE Canadian team at Wimbledon have again this year well sustained the credit of Canada in competition against the three thousand picked shots of the empire. Day by day news has come of members winning places on the several prize lists, but these minor victories are dwarfed by the announcement that three Canadians have won places in the hundred entitled to shoot in the final stage for the Queen's prize. This competition furnishes a severe test of a man's shooting powers, for he cannot secure a place through one or two lucky scores. The ranges for the first stage are 200, 500 and 600 yards, seven shots at each, and owing to the great number of competitors the shooting at each range occupies a day. This means three successive days' good shooting to win places, as five of our team did this year, in the three hundred who shoot in the second stage. Those who thus continue in the competition receive no prizes for the first stage, but the next hundred receive £2 each to console them for their exclusion. The conditions for the second stage are ten shots at 500 yards and fifteen at 600. The scores here made are added to those of the first stage, and the hundred highest aggregates entitle their owners to shoot in the third and final test. The second hundred are dismissed with prizes of £4 each, and the third hundred with £3 prizes. Then the Queen's hundred fire ten shots at 800 and ten at 900 yards, and their scores at these ranges are added to those for the other two stages, their positions on the prize list being determined by the aggregate. The first man receives the Queen's prize of £250, and the N.R.A. gold medal and gold badge. The second gets the N.R.A. badge and £60; the third £40; the fourth £30; the fifth £20; the next ten £15 each; the next thirty £12 each; the next fifteen £10 each; the next twenty £8, and the remaining twenty of the hundred £5 each.

Of the five Canadians who got into the second stage, Ogg and Langstroth each finished with an aggregate of 189; and Thomson had 187. These three won places in the first hundred, but the coveted prize is not for Canada this year, having been won by Lieut. Warren of the First Middlesex Regiment. Of the other two, Gillies had a total of 180, and C. N. Mitchell had 179.

The Prince of Wales' prize of £100 has been won by Pte. Gillies of the 90th, this making the third occasion upon which the handsome gift of His Royal Highness has fallen to a Canadian. The other winners were Lieut. W. Mitchell of the 32nd, in 1882, and Lieut.-Col. Gibson of the 13th, in 1879. Lieut. Mitchell is home with the team this year, and had the honor of an invitation, along with Pte. Gillies, to dine with the Prince. The Canadians have rather a better show for this prize than for most others, as entry is restricted to winners of N.R.A. medals, and the number of competitors is usually only about four hundred. It seems that six of the Canadian team were entitled to compete this year. Pte. Gillies has three times been the winner of the N.R.A. medal, in 1883, 1885 and 1886, at the matches of the Manitoba rifle association. The conditions of the Prince of Wales' match are seven shots at 200 yards and fifteen at 600 yards. There are nineteen prizes offered, aggregating £200.

Great things had been expected of the team for the Kolapore Cup competition, and something great was accomplished, though unfortunately the Mother Country team proved too much. The Canadians came second, scoring 663, against the magnificent total of 710 for the home team. The Canadians take the £80 prize awarded to the highest colonial team. The scores this year are unprecedentedly high. In 1886 the Mother Country won with 666 points, and in 1885 with 650. In 1884 Canada won with a score of 665. In the seventeen contests for the cup which have taken place Canada has won on four occasions and the Mother Country team on the other thirteen.

We defer attempting to give particulars of the minor prizes won by the Canadians until, upon the arrival of the English mails, further details are obtainable than the meagre information which has come by cable.

Personal.

Major Henry Smith, of "C" Royal School of Infantry, Toronto, has been appointed commandant of "D" school, about to be established at London, Ont. Major Smith is a very popular and highly efficient officer. He commenced volunteering in 1856, as a member of the Cobourg rifle company, afterwards No. 1 company of the 40th Northumberland battalion, of which he became captain. He went through a course of instruction in the old military school, Toronto, in 1864, and there obtained a first-class certificate. From October, 1866, to June, 1872, Major Smith was adjutant of the 40th battalion, and at the last named date he was appointed brigade-major of No. 3 military district, which he held until the reduction of the staff in 1876. He was appointed captain in "C" Company School of Infantry in December, 1883. He served in the last North-West campaign in command of the right wing of the company, with the Major-General's column, and remained out with the field force until it was all recalled.

Pte. A. Gillies, of the Ninetieth battalion, has had a great run of luck during the week past. Fortune has smiled upon him at home and abroad. The message from England announcing his capture of the Prince of Wales' prize left almost simultaneously with one to him from this side the water, conveying the intelligence of the advent of his first born, a bouncing baby boy. Mrs. Gillies is an Ottawa lady, and was spending the time with relatives here during her husband's absence in England.

Major Wicksteed, the paymaster of the G.G.F.G., has just obtained superannuation from the position of accountant of the Post Office Department, after faithful service in the employ of the government for nearly half a century. He is close upon four score years of age.

Lieut. C. F. Winter, of the G.G.F.G., was married at Orangeville yesterday to Miss Nellie Wilkins, daughter of Mr. John Wilkins of that place. Lieut. Winter is one of the most popular officers in Ottawa. He has seen a lot of service for a young man, and wears medals for the Egyptian campaign, in which he participated with the 7th Fusiliers, and the Northwest rebellion.

The Levis Camp.

THE brigade camp of military district No. 7, at Levis, was inspected by Major-General Middleton on Friday last. A large number of ladies and gentlemen crossed over from Quebec to witness the inspection. The Quebec Field Battery, the 17th of Levis, the 23rd of Beauce, the 70th of Champlain and the 89th of Temiscouata and Rimouski, drawn up in line on the parade ground, received Sir Fred. Middleton with a general salute. The General was accompanied by Col. Panet, Deputy Minister of Militia; Capt. Wise, A.D.C., Col. Turnbull and Major Short. After inspection General Middleton addressed the commanding officer in flattering terms. He said this was the ninth camp he had inspected this season, and though he would not say that it was the best, it was certainly quite equal to any of the others. He was surprised at what