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MONTREAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION MATCHES.



MONTREAL, Sept. 30 — Lieut.-Col. Starke, commandant of this year's Bisley Team, was lunched by the directors of the Dominion Transport Co. the other day on the occasion of his return from Bisley, where the team under his command won so many laurels. This is about the first time that we have heard of any company or employer giving public recognition to any of their employes' connection with the force. Business people in Montreal do not seem to place the militia force on the footing it should be, but in many cases rather put obstacles in its way. *THE GAZETTE* would like to see more of this followed by the commercial city, not only to officers, but to non-coms. and men alike. It is only what they deserve. Lieut.-Col. Starke is sec.-treasurer of the Dominion Transport Co., and the

company not only made things easy for the colonel, but they have shown this appreciation of him as a soldier. The lunch was held in the Old Manor House, which belonged to the late Sir W. Logan on that portion of the estate which has been purchased by the Dominion Transport Co. Among those present were Mr. Jas. Cantlie, president of the company, chairman; Mr. Charles Cassells, vice-president; Mr. Robert McKay and Mr. Wm. Smith, representing the directors, Lieut.-Col. Massey, Major Blaiklock, Major Sims; G. W. Hamilton, Wm. Stewart, Kingston and Ottawa Forwarding Co.; Jas. E. Rendell, Mr. Guthrie, Duluth; Capt. Ras. Wilson, Victoria Rifles, quartermaster of the team; W. Smith, manager, and his assistants, Mr. Read and H. W. Raphael.

On Monday evening at the regular monthly meeting of the non-com. officers of the Royal Scots, an interesting time was passed in hearing Col.-Sergt. Munn give an account of his recent trip to Scotland, and of the reception he received from various regiments while there. The color-sergeant began a lengthy account by asking the secretary to read letters received from the sergeants' mess of

the 1st and 5th Volunteer Batt. Highland Light Infantry, acknowledging receipt of a handsome mounted photographic group of the non-coms of the Scots, presented through Col.-Sergt. Munn. A letter was also read from Col. Chas. Macdonald Williamson, expressing his thanks for all the kind feelings of the Canadian Scots, and hoping that the correspondence that was thus opened up would be of benefit to both. Much enthusiasm was aroused when Col.-Sergt. Munn handed over the large picture of the sergeants of the Glasgow Highlanders and the famous "Black Watch." He also gave a minute description of the reception which he received from the sergeants of the 92nd Highlanders or "Gray Gordons," 1st Highland Light Infantry and the Glasgow Highlanders. Each vied with the other as to who would do the most for the representative of the Montreal Highlanders. A suggestion was made by the Glasgow Highlanders which it is to be hoped will be carried out next season, and that is for the having of a shooting match between a team from each regiment on their respective ranges, the results to be mailed. The officers are of opinion that any member of the corps who visits the Old Country should provide himself with a letter of introduction to the corps of the district which he intends visiting. A picture of the long service veterans of the 1st Highland Light Infantry is now on its way out, and will be another addition to the already fine collection of pictures which adorn the walls of the non-coms mess of the Scots.

Major Ibbotson, Royal Scots, in the absence of Lieut.-Col. Burland, president of the M.A.R.A., gave orders that the Cote St. Luc ranges were to be kept open on Saturday so that those of the city corps who had not yet put in their Government practice might have an opportunity of doing so. Major Ibbotson was executive officer.

The Montreal Rifle Association held their annual competition on the ranges at Cote St. Luc on Saturday. The weather was very unfavorable, but despite this there was a good attendance, and scores were pretty well up to the average. It rained all the time shooting was going on, and made it very uncomfortable for those taking part. Lieut.-Col. Massey, president of the association, and Major E. B. Ibbotson, first vice-president, were the executive officers. The members of the committee on the range were: Capt. W. M. Andrews, Messrs. D. McCrae, J. Currie, G. W. Sharpe, S. J. Matthewson, R. Benmore, M. Pope and A. Ware. The first match was the Members' match, shot in three series, for first, second and third-class shots. The prizes were donated by friends of the association, while Mr. D. Cameron to the lowest man in each series gave a prize. Capt. M. Pope won the Simpson-Hall-Miller silver plate with a score of 91 in the series for first-class shots. The next in order were: J. Broadhurst, 90; J. W. Marks, 89; G. W. Sharpe, 88; W. M. Andrews, 86; J. Currie, 85; W. Mills, 85; J. J. Cooper, 85; W. A. Smith, 83; D. McCrae, 83; R. Benmore,