

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NOVA SCOTIA PROVINCIAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

This was held on the 9th at Halifax. Lieut.-Col. Bremner, 66th, was appointed president; Lieut.-Col. Mackintosh, 63rd, 1st vice-president; Lieut.-Col. Mowbray, H.G.A., 2nd vice-president; Lieut.-Col. Mackinlay, treasurer; Captain Weston, 66th, secretary. The following were appointed to form the council for the ensuing year:—Major-General Laurie, Lieut.-Col. Worsley, D.A.G.; C. H. Tupper, M.P.; Hon. C. E. Church, Lieut.-Col. Murray, superintendent of stores; Captain Harris, H.G.A.; Capt. Curren, H.G.A.; Capt. Bishop, 63rd; Capt. Barnhill, 78th; Capt. Crane, 63rd; Capt. Garrison, H.G.A.; Sergt.-Maj. Murray, H.G.A.; Sergt. Gibson, 66th; Capt. Church, 93rd; Paymaster Finck, 75th; Lieut. Cornwall, 69th, and Lieut. Dickie, 78th. Captains Harris and Barnhill and Lieut.-Cols. Murray and Mackinlay were appointed range committee. Captains Bishop, Barnhill, Curren, H.G.A., Harris, together with the secretary and treasurer, were appointed programme committee. It was resolved to affiliate with the N.R.A. and D.R.A. Lieut.-Col. Murray, Capt. Weston and Garrison were elected members of the Council of the D.R.A. The following conditions were read from the New Brunswick Rifle Association in reference to the proposed inter-provincial maritime match.

(1.) The match to be an annual one between teams of eight representatives from each of the three maritime provinces. Teams to be composed solely of *bona fide* members of the active militia. (2.) Ranges, 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots at each range, and one sighting shot at the option of the competitor. (3.) Rifle, Martini-Henry (of government make or bore.) (4.) Position at the different ranges to be respectively similar to that required with the Queen's first stage, part I. (5.) Targets and scoring, those of Wimbledon for the year. (6.) Match to be shot in uniform, full or undress. (7.) Coaching, shading or spotting not to be permitted. (8.) The competition to be shot early in the month of July in each year, on a day to be agreed upon by the three associations. (9.) Place, a centrally situated range; and as far as possible a neutral one. This association would suggest the range recently opened at Moncton. (10.) Each team to be under the control of a captain appointed by his association and the competition to be under the joint control of the three captains. The captain may or may not be a member of his team. There may also be to each team an adjutant to assist in coaching during the competition. (11.) Teams to provide their own ammunition. (12.) Blow off shots to be allowed. (13.) Each of the associations to contribute an annual entrance fee of—dollars, out of which the necessary range expenses may be defrayed, and arm badges provided for the members of the winning eight. (14.) A handsome challenge prize to be obtained through the joint efforts of the three associations. (15.) In the event of a prize being obtained, it shall be held for the year by the president of the winning association.

The Halifax *Herald* says the three associations will likely apply to parliament for a trophy to be shot for annually. The president, treasurer, secretary and Captains Garrison and Bishop, were appointed a committee to arrange details to procure the proportion of this association towards the proposed trophy, to select the team and carry out the match.

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?)

N. B. BRIGADE GARRISON ARTILLERY.—The annual meeting of officers was held on the 8th, when all the officers but two were on hand.

The regimental committee's report showed an expenditure for the year of \$727.50, of which \$420 were for busbies for the whole corps.

It was decided to buy a complete set of first-class instruments for the band, and an order will be sent to a London firm immediately for instruments of the grade technically called "excelsior."

A vote of thanks was passed to Dr. Barker, M.P., for a liberal donation to the band.

Paymaster George F. Smith offered a handsome prize for a shifting ordnance competition in the corps during the next annual drill, and was formally thanked for his liberality.

The following officers were elected regimental committee:—Surgeon J. W. Daniel, Paymaster Geo. F. Smith, Capt. George B. Seely.

Adjutant C. F. Langan, Lieut. S. D. Crawford and Lieut. Geo. W. Jones were elected the band committee.

Capt. Seely was congratulated on coming out ahead at the recent School of Gunnery examination at Quebec.

62ND FUSILIERS.—At a meeting of the non-commissioned officers Sergeants Henderson, Coleman, Connolly and Jones were appointed a committee to co-operate with the committee of officers in the fitting up of the new regimental club room on Charlotte street, which will be opened some time next month.

65TH BATTALION.—The men who were mounted in action while on active services in the North-west at Frenchman's Butte, received their cheques on Thursday the 11th inst. The names and amounts are as follows:—Private Joseph Marcotte, \$1,100; Private Lemay, \$478; and Private Gauthier, \$169.

TORONTO.—The local papers give the following list of monies just paid as compensation for wounds, &c., during the late campaign, but the list is manifestly incomplete and is, apparently, in some cases, incorrect.

Some have received their cheque with content, whilst others complain bitterly of the inadequacy of the amounts. For instance, Pte. Wilson, R.G., \$226. This man had a large gaping wound from a round ball which passed right round his body and through his lungs, and his doctor says he will never be fit to work efficiently at his trade of blacksmith. On the other hand, some say that this is 14 months' pay, and that if he is not cured by that time and still shows a permanent injury he will go again before the board and receive a pension for life.

G.G.B.G.—Corp. E. S. Thompson, \$91.80; Trooper J. J. Hamilton, \$76.50.
Q.O.R.—Col.-Sergt. Cooper, \$389.90; Pte. Bailey, \$349.50; Pte. Fraser, \$30.50; Pte. Watts, \$76.50; Pte. Graham, \$63; Pte. Warren, \$7.

R.G.—Pte. Milson, \$226; Pte. Cantwell, \$243.50; Capt. Mason, \$1,278.74; Corp. Foley, \$127.20; Pte. Marshall, \$46; Pte. Quigley, \$61; Pte. Stead, \$61; Pte. Whiting, \$259; Pte. Bradford, \$76; Pte. Bobery, \$46; Pte. Woodruff, \$61; Lieut.

Morrow, \$290.72; Pte. Billingham, \$243.50; Lieut. Michie, \$393.94; Sergt. Nelson, \$45.75; Pte. Tyler, \$106; Pte. Woodward, \$92.

Y. & S. Prov. Batt.—Pte. Whyte, \$61; Pte. Pritchard, \$106.50; Pte. Swaiz, \$228.50; Pte. Stewart, \$334.50; Pte. Peacock, \$30.50; Capt. Langton, \$334.50; Sergt.-Maj. Dougall, \$122; Pte. Marsden, 61; Pte. Lafferty, \$62.

C Co., I.S.C.—Pte. T. Dunn, \$182.50.

The Grenadiers held their annual meeting on Friday and elected committees and discussed ways and means for the ensuing year. It was decided to hold a theatrical entertainment in April for the band fund.

The officers voted a handsome donation to the Williams memorial fund, we hear, with unanimous expressions of esteem and respect. They also appointed a committee to arrange for a monument over the graves of Privates Moor and Hughes, and a memorial brass in the cathedral to Lieut. Fitch.

After the meeting they sat down to a substantial supper in their messrooms. It was decided to hold regular monthly dinners in the mess-rooms during the winter.

These rooms are nothing more than a perfect little club, and have doubtless done much to promote that perfect good feeling and unanimity for which the officers of this regiment are noted.—COM.

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.)

MONTREAL.—The annual steeplechase of the Prince of Wales' Rifles' Snowshoe Club was held on Friday night, the 12th inst., over the Mountain track to the new club-house. The regiment turned out strong to witness the event, and a large number towed the mark for the start. It also being the ladies' night with the club, a most enjoyable evening was spent. The following are the names of the winners, with the time of the first five:—1st, W. Robinson, 22m.; 2nd, D. Dance, 22m. 30s.; 3rd, Goyette, 23m.; 4th, Sergt.-Major Porteous, 24m.; 5th, Ward, 24m. 35s.; 6th, Davison; 7th, Anderson; 8th, Sergt. Lefebvre, who won a handsome leather medal.

TORONTO.—The sergeants of the Grenadiers gave, last week, a soirée in their mess-room. It was largely attended, and the numerous guests spent a most enjoyable evening. The music, both instrumental and local, was good, and the visitors left only hoping that they will "do it again."

STRATHROY, ONT.—The concert in Albert hall last evening by the 7th band of London, under the auspices of No. 7 company, of the 26th Battalion, was fairly successful, quite a large audience being present. The programme was an excellent one, and the playing of the 7th came in for the highest admiration.—*Despatch 11th.*

St. JOHN, N.B.—The Home Guard, in connection with the band of the 62nd Fusiliers, intend giving a concert in the Mechanics' Institute on Thursday evening, 18th inst. The programme will consist mainly of music by the band, and living pictures by members of the Guards. In addition they will be assisted by some of our best vocalists and elocutionists. The pictures themselves alone will be worth seeing. The guards, who have had a good deal of uphill work in organizing should be well patronized in this their first effort, the object of which is to swell their regimental fund and assist them in uniforming in the spring.—*St. John Sun.*

BARRIE, ONT.—The 35th Battalion band proposes to give a concert here on the 19th instant for the purpose of raising funds to purchase new instruments. The *Northern Advance* bespeaks a good house, saying the band deserves well for the music it gratuitously furnishes during the summer season, and for the readiness with which any good cause in the town is aided. The programme will be a good one.

SARNIA.—The band of the 27th battalion, under Dr. Hartmann, gave another of their popular concerts last week, of which an extending and critical notice appears in the *Observer*.

GLEANINGS.

GUELPH, ONT.—There died here on the 8th, Sergeant Clay, a veteran of the Royal Canadian Rifles, from which he was discharged on a pension in 1856 after 25½ years regular service. He afterwards acted as drill instructor here and in Galt. He was well and favourably known, and was buried with military honors, both Artillery and Rifles having turned out to escort his remains to the grave.

Captain Saranow was yesterday found guilty by the Supreme Court of Germany of having furnished plans and information of the German fortifications and armaments to the French military authorities and sentenced to 12 years penal servitude.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The funeral of the late Staff-Sergeant Ferry, R. I. R., from the military hospital yesterday afternoon was with military and Masonic honors and was quite an imposing pageant.

One of the heroes of the Franco-German war has just died, Gen. Bonnemains, who commanded the Cuirassiers in the famous cavalry charge at Reichshofen. The feat of arms by which he stayed the advance of the Germans, while his men fell in scores around him under the murderous fire, until Marshal MacMahon had got clear away from Woerth and Froeschwiller, is commemorated on many a canvas and in song; and to this day the appearance of a cuirassier regiment at a review is always greeted with frantic plaudits. Gen. Bonnemains was 71 years of age.

Major Charles Widenham Nash, late Royal Canadian Rifles, died on the 23rd ult. at Dublin, in his ninety-fourth year. He was present at the battle of Lundy's Lane and storming of Fort Erie, North America, 14th August, 1884, where he was severely wounded. He was one of those who volunteered with the forlorn party.—*Broad Arrow.*

JANETVILLE.—An old veteran, Mr. John Bradshaw, who emigrated to this country in 1861, after retiring from the 89th regiment on a pension, and who lived with his brother-in-law, Mr. Robert Cherris, late color-sergeant of No. 7 company, 46th battalion, died on the 3rd inst. at the ripe old age of 79 years. The Janetville company turned out, under Major McDermid, and buried him with military honors.