

acting as instructors in the manual exercise and march past. In spite of "Linch Pin" and the opinion of others, I agree with the Major. Give our infantry schools the ammunition and facilities, and we will have all the Hythe necessary. The Boers of South Africa and the "Dumont" tribe of the Northwest were never at Hythe, and they can shoot "some" you know. Give us, then, what every good rifleman knows is the only plan of obtaining the results required, i.e. a good liberal allowance of ammunition to all, and while Hythe and other European institutions are studying the theory we in Canada will be turning out "riflemen," even with *Canadian ammunition*, which some people say should also be imported from "Hythe."

FEU DE JOIE.

Regimental Notes.

Hamilton.

The members of the Battery looked healthy, sun-burned, and well set-up on their return from camp.

Major Van Wagner published an order recently, discontinuing battery drill until further orders.

Mr. Mulligan has received orders from the Militia Department to push forward the work of completion of the new drill hall with all possible speed. The work has apparently been at a stand-still for some time past, and everybody interested is glad to learn that there is now a prospect of the two city corps being able to get into quarters in a short time. The Thirteenth will be especially benefited, as they have been working at much disadvantage since the burning of the old shed. The boys will, I have no doubt, start out with renewed vigour, when they get comfortably housed once more.

The Battalion monthly parade came off on the evening of the 5th, Major Moore taking command by seniority in the Col.'s absence. The men were put through some field movements, the manual and firing exercises, and marched back to their quarters and dismissed. The Band turned out in full force—that man Robinson is indeed a jewel.

The orders published by the Adjutant, Capt. Stuart, are embodied below:—

Two months' leave of absence granted to Capt. Zealand to proceed to Wimbledon.

Men qualified for n. c. o.'s: Privates Healey, Skedden, Cross, Silk, Bathune, Claringhowl, Cleavis, Greenby, Waddell, Orr, Madgett.

Till further orders recruit drill every Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Regiment to parade for battalion drill Aug. 2nd, 8 p.m.

I notice with pleasure that Mr. W. O. Tidswell, lately transferred to F Co., has taken the initiative in ordering company firing practice for his men at 5.30, semi-weekly. This is a step in the right direction at this season of the year, and moreover denotes an amount of energy on the part of this popular and efficient young officer which is certainly most commendable.

Mr. Tidswell also purposes having company drill with bayonet exercise on every Monday night at 7.45. As he is noted as an expert with both the sword and bayonet, his company will be immensely benefited by his instruction.

GIRTH.

St. John, N. B.

During the absence of Lt.-Col. Blaine at camp Chatham, the command of the 62nd Fusiliers devolved on Major Tucker, and the usual drills were carried out. The Major always celebrates his terms of command by some pleasures for the men of the regiment; last year it was a supper, but on the present occasion a different programme was carried out. On Friday evening, 6th July, the battalion assembled in full strength, being joined by the St. John Rifle Company, the whole in review order, headed by both bands of the 62nd. The force marched through the principal streets of the city, and were halted on the south side of King Square, where arms were piled and the men dismissed. The band took up their position on the band stand and played until ten o'clock, the men meanwhile strolling in the vicinity, accompanied by male and female companions. At the sound of the bugle the men quickly fell in and were marched back to the drill shed to deposit their arms, afterwards reforming and proceeding to the 62nd Club Rooms, where Major Tucker had refreshments provided for officers and men. All ranks were delighted with their outing, and the large crowds of citizens that assembled along the route and on King Square shewed the interest taken by the people in St. John's crack corps. The marching of the men was very steady, especially when advancing through some of the streets in column. Major Tucker is to be congratulated on the success of his route march.

The 62nd have lately received some new officers who will strengthen the present list. Mr. Stirling served through the North-West affair with the Halifax battalion as a staff sergeant. Mr. Parks has for some time been in the Rifles as a non-com. officer, and was attached to the

74th during the recent camp at Chatham, and Dr. Hetherington has always taken an interest in the military, and holds a M. S. certificate. Dr. M. F. Bruce, who takes the post of Assistant Surgeon, will make a dashing and good-looking non-combatant, and is already winning favour from all ranks.

The writer had the pleasure of paying a visit to the camp at Chatham, and during a short stay found out that the officers were as well up in hospitality as they were attentive to their duties. All arms in camp were "hard at" their respective evolutions, and the steadiness of the different corps surprised all. The opinion of many who had seen camps in other parts of Canada is that New Brunswick can hold her own in rural corps with the Dominion. What a pity that officers in camp are not compelled to pay more attention to uniform. In fact, in some corps the word uniform is a misnomer, as no two officers are alike in dress; colour, braid and accoutrements alike seem to be decided individually, and it is a wonder that with such examples the men look as neat as they do. It seems rather absurd to publish orders for corps to turn out in review order when some officers have only one uniform, and that a dirty old faded patrol, battered sword, shabby belt, and any kind of forage cap.

GRENADE.

Montreal.

After the march out of the 6th Fusiliers last Friday evening a number of friends accompanied the officers to the residence of the commander, Lieut.-Col. Massey, when the Corporation Jubilee Cup was presented by the father of the council, Alderman Jacques Grenier, to the gallant Colonel. In making the presentation the Alderman complimented the regiment on having won the cup. The city, he said, had done much to encourage the volunteers by giving them the present site for the drill shed. Lieut.-Col. Massey replied, thanking the Alderman for his kind remarks. He spoke highly of the services rendered the city by the worthy alderman as chairman of the finance committee. Lieut.-Col. Martin, an ex-commander, Lieut.-Col. Lyman, Lieut.-Col. Gardner, and Capt. Elliot also spoke. Colonel Massey, in replying to the toast of his health, spoke very hopefully of the future and referred to many of the achievements of the Sixth. He regretted very much the serious delays which had occurred in getting the ranges in order, and though it was an outrage upon the volunteer corps of this city, for while it was true that there had been many difficulties in the way, he was of the opinion that these could have been surmounted.

Lieut. Robert H. Wilson, of the Prince of Wales Rifles, was last week the recipient of a handsome and costly present from his brother officers on the occasion of his approaching marriage. Lieut. Wilson, who is a doctor by profession, takes charge this season of the St. Lawrence Hall, Cacouna.

THE FIELD BATTERY.

The Field Battery was inspected on Friday last at its quarters on St. Helen's Island by Lt.-Col. Montizambert, Assistant Inspector of Artillery, and Commander of the Royal School of Gunnery at Quebec. The corps was under the command of Lt.-Col. Stevenson, the other officers present being Capt. Hall, jr., M.P.P., Lieuts. Hooper and Hogan, Surgeon-Major Fenwick, Assistant-Surgeon Fenwick and Veterinary Surgeon C. McEachran.

The visitors present included Prince Roland Napoleon Bonaparte, Lt.-Cols. Caverhill, Lyman and Massey, Surgeon Corsan, 5th Royal Scots, ex-Mayor Beaugrand and several ladies.

The inspecting officer first made a minute inspection of the accoutrements, guns and harness, awarding the battery prizes as follows: The cleanest and best kept gun—No. 4 subdivision, who won the prize last year. Cleanest lead harness—No. 3 subdivision, also the same as last year. Cleanest wheel harness—No. 1 subdivision, who repeated their performance of the previous year.

The battery then formed up in line and received the inspecting officer with a general salute. They then marched past in line at close interval, showing a straight, compact, unbroken front. They next halted in the same order, and afterwards they came to the front in open order, when the officers and non-commissioned officers went through the sword exercise in a creditable manner. The Battery was then handed over to Capt. Hall, Lieuts. Hooper and Hogan, who in their turn put the men through a number of field manoeuvres which were accomplished with celerity and smartness. At the conclusion Col. Montizambert requested Col. Stevenson to tell the officers and men that he was well pleased with them and glad to see that they had not lost any of their former efficiency. They had improved, and improved greatly.

The competition for the Gzowski cup was then held, resulting as follows: No. 1 gun—Sergeant Walker, 2 min. 65 sec.; No. 2 gun—Sergeant Lindsay, 3 min. 40 sec.; No. 3 gun—Sergeant Henney, 3 min. 16 sec.; No. 4 gun—Sergeant Kendall, 2 min. 31 sec.

After the inspection Col. Montizambert and the visitors were entertained by the officers at luncheon.