

tion concluded, muster rolls were called, while No. 1 Company was inspected in company drill. They did splendidly, and were complimented by the inspecting officers for their steadiness and proficiency. This concluded the inspection, and ends the annual drill of the St. John force for this year. There were a number of military men at the drill shed to witness their brethren of the artillery go through their night's work, and the unanimous opinion was that it was the best inspection they had ever passed. Besides this they had present on parade a full complement of officers, and the only absentee was one man who was ill and could not attend.

A MEETING of the officers of the city brigades of militia was held at the headquarter rooms of the 62nd Fusiliers, to take steps towards having a new drill shed. Nearly every officer of each corps was present. Lieut.-Col. Armstrong (Artillery) was in the chair, and Major Sturdee (Fusiliers) was elected secretary. Col. Armstrong stated the object of the meeting, after which it was moved by Capt. White, M.D., seconded by Lieut. Foster and resolved: "That in the opinion of this meeting it is essentially necessary in the interests of the militia of this city that a suitable drill hall be erected in a more convenient and central situation than that occupied by the present one." It was moved by Surgeon Lieut.-Col. Daniel (Artillery), seconded by Capt. Churchill (Fusiliers) and resolved: "That a committee be appointed to ascertain the dimensions and cost of drill halls in Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton and Halifax and from what source means were obtained to build them." The committee appointed was Surgeon Lieut.-Col. Daniel (Artillery), Major Sturdee (Fusiliers) and Capt. Smith (Rifles). A resolution was also passed that a committee, consisting of Surgeon-Major Walker (62nd Fusiliers) and Major Jones (Artillery) be appointed to ascertain from the Exhibition Association on what terms an exchange of present drill shed with other properties can be effected. The discussion throughout the meeting was very strongly

that a new shed is absolutely necessary, and in the interest of the force and in keeping with drill sheds in other cities in Canada. Lieut.-Col. Tucker, M.P., was present, and intimated that he would do all in his power to help along the movement. After some discussion affecting the city militia in general, the question of celebrating the 60th anniversary of the accession of Her Majesty the Queen was discussed, and there is no doubt that on June 20 next the Artillery, Fusiliers and Rifles will take a very prominent part in doing honor to the occasion. THOMAS ATKINS.

CAMPS, QUARTERS AND CASUAL PLACES.

WE are in receipt of a new military book by Archibald Forbes, the great war correspondent. As the title, "Camps, Quarters and Casual Places," implies, it is a series of sketches drawn from scenes in the author's career as a correspondent. The book is written in that bright style so characteristic of the author. The sketches are of various kinds; some grave, some gay, some giving impressions of famous leaders, some describing customs in foreign countries. Among the more technical subjects is an account of the Battle of Balaclava, in which some new particulars are given, gathered from the letters of an onlooker and participant. Of especial interest is the article on the "Warfare of the Future." The effects of the various methods of warfare in the past are here traced out, showing the tendency at the present time and the probabilities in the future. This new publication is quite up to the mark of the author's former works, which have made his name so widely known. Publishers, The Macmillan Co., New York. Price, \$1.75.

Judgment was delivered on the 6th October at Fredericton in the case against the canteen of the R.R.C.I., Fredericton, for selling liquor to members of the 71st Battalion during the recent camp. It was held that the canteen of the Royal Regiment was not exempt from the Scott Act. The judgment will be appealed.

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