

It has been suggested that the Militia Department should request commanding officers of battalions to send forward their ideas of the newest and best method of fitting up armories, arm racks, &c.

The Royal Scots have organized a Snow Shoe Club, and expect to take Saturday afternoon tramps—in uniform—during the winter.

The Sixth Signalling Corps are well up. What are the other corps doing? How can a company officer be appointed to the command of a battalion without having a first-class certificate? [Give it up.—Ed.]

MONTREAL—The Victoria Rifles' Association held its annual presentation of prizes on Monday, the 16th inst., in the Victoria Rink, which was well filled with admirers of the corps. Headed by their band they marched into the rink and formed a square around the prizes, which were exhibited on a table covered with the Union Jack. The following officers discharged the duty of making the presentation: Lieut.-Col. Van Straubenzee, D.A.G.; Lieut.-Col. Gardner, 6th Fusiliers; Lieut.-Col. Oswald, Garrison Artillery, and Lieut. Col. Crawford, "Vics." After the presentation the men piled arms, and Lieut.-Col. Van Straubenzee, addressing them said he regretted that he was not able to be present at the annual inspection this year, but he had heard from Col. Worsley that they had made a most creditable turnout. Letters were read from the Mayor and from Col. Powell, A.G., regretting their inability to be present and thanking the men for the effective service rendered in guarding the Exhibition buildings.

TORONTO.—Lieut.-Cols. Denison, Grasset and Gray, on behalf of the Toronto Militia, urged the city council last week to assist in the erection of a new drill shed, the present building being altogether inadequate for drill purposes, and lacking other desirable accommodation. A larger shed was wanted in a central locality. The scheme would involve an expenditure of between \$75,000 and \$80,000. As the government would do nothing unless the city guaranteed about half the amount, the deputation proposed that the council should submit a by-law for the sum required to the rate-payers, in whose hands they were satisfied to leave their case. The matter was referred to the executive committee.

THE TARGET.

ANNUAL MATCHES OF THE 7TH FUSILIERS' RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Fusiliers held their annual prize meeting on Thanksgiving day, when there was an extremely good attendance, so much so that a number of the competitors were obliged to shoot in a very bad light at 600 yards, as the short autumn day drew rapidly to its close. The weather was dull and cloudy, with a strong wind blowing across the range in a 3 o'clock direction, in view of which drawback the scoring was good, and the shooting altogether much better than that of last year, which shows that the work of the battalion in the North-west has not shattered their nerves to any great extent. Snider rifles, Dominion aggregate positions.

1ST OR COMPANY TEAM MATCH.

For the Regimental cup, valued at \$200, and \$20 divided between the winning team. Open to teams of eight from each company; five shots at 200, 400 and 500 yards.

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Name, Score, Total. Rows include 1st-D Company, 2nd-E Company, 3rd-G Company, and B, A, C and F Companies.

The winning team were Capt. Tracy, Lieut. Cox, Lieut. Payne, Sergt.-Major Byrne, Sergt. Manigault, Sergt. Westland, Pte. Smith and Pte. Rogers, Capt. Tracy leading with a score of 61.

2ND MATCH—NURSERY.

Open to members of the battalion who had never won a prize in any association match; five shots at 400 yards.

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Name, Score, Total. Rows include Lieut. Pope, Pte. Keenan, Pte. Hiscott, Pte. McCausland, and Drum-Major Lawless.

3RD MATCH—GENERAL.

Open to the battalion; five shots at 200 and 500 yards.

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Name, Score, Total. Rows include Capt. Tracy, Pte. McKenzie, Lieut. Hayes, Pte. Hiscott, Lieut. Payne, Pte. Smith, Pte. Richardson, Bandmaster Hiscott, Sergt. Neillson, Sergt.-Major Byrne, Pte. Barlow, Lieut. Pope, Pte. Hanson, Capt. Dillon, Pte. Rogers, and Capt. Butler.

4TH MATCH—MEMBERS AND EX-MEMBERS.

Open to all members of the battalion and to ex-members not connected with any other battalion; five shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards.

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Name, Score, Total. Rows include G. W. Pitt, Lieut. Hayes, Pte. Hiscott, Capt. Dillon, Capt. Tracy, Capt. McKenzie, Pte. Barlow, Sergt.-Major Byrne, Lieut. Payne, Pte. Smith, Col.-Sergt. Jacobs, and Sergt. Manigault.

5TH MATCH—AGGREGATE.

Open to the battalion; 2 prizes, the winner to have his choice; 200, 400, 500 and 600 yards, conditions as in other matches.

Table with 4 columns: Rank, Name, Score, Total. Rows include Capt. Dillon, Gold medal for highest score made by a company sergeant in 3rd Match—Sergt. Neillson, and Gold medal for highest score made by any Bandsman in 4th Match—Bandsman Hiscott.

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Forms of Tender and Specifications can be had at this office, where all necessary information can be obtained.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque, made payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to five per cent. of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order, A. GOBEIL, Secretary.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, 19th November, 1885.



CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY OF MAIL BAGS.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General, (for Printing and Supply Branch), and marked "Tender for Mail Bags," will be received at Ottawa until 12 o'clock, noon, on MONDAY, the 2nd NOVEMBER, 1885, for the supply of the Post Office Department of Canada with such Cotton Duck, Jute and Leather Mail Bags as may from time to time be required for the Postal Service of the Dominion.

Samples of the Bags to be furnished may be seen at the Post Offices at Halifax, N.S., St. John, N.B., Charlottetown, P.E.I., Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, London, Winnipeg, Man., Victoria, B.C., or at the Post Office Department at Ottawa.

The Bags supplied, both as regards material and manufacture, to be fully equal to the samples, and to be delivered from time to time in such quantities as may be required at Ottawa.

The contract, if satisfactorily executed, shall continue in force for the term of four years, provided always the workmanship and material be satisfactory to the Postmaster General.

Each tender to state the price asked per bag in the form and manner prescribed by the form of tender, and to be accompanied by the written guarantee of two responsible parties, undertaking that in the event of the tender being accepted, the contract shall be duly executed by the party tendering for the price demanded. Undertaking also to become bound with the contractor in the sum of two thousand dollars for the performance of the contract.

Printed forms of tender and guarantee may be obtained at the Post Offices above named, or at the Post Office Department, Ottawa.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

WILLIAM WHITE, Secretary.

Post Office Department, Canada, Ottawa, 1st October, 1885.

N.B.—The time for the reception of tenders for the supply of Mail Bags has been extended by the Postmaster-General for one month (until noon on Wednesday, the 2nd December, 1885), certain changes having been made in the form of tender, as shown in the amended form of proposal to be had from the Postmasters of the following places:—Halifax, N.S., St. John, N.B., Charlottetown, P.E.I., Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, London, Hamilton, Winnipeg, Man., Victoria, B.C., or at the Post Office Department at Ottawa.

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Ottawa, May, 1885.

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