



AT THE SPRING MANOEUVRES—THE FORCE OF HABIT.

Private—Beg your pardon, Major, Cos. 5 and 6 are signalling "magazines exhausted." Major J. P. H.—(absent-mindedly)—Strands or Cosmopolitans?

THE BATTLE OF MOUNT TOLMIE

STRONGHOLD CAPTURED BY ATTACKING FORCE

A "Coup" Which Rendered Unnecessary the Working Out of Captain Langley's Main Plan.

(Saturday's Daily.)

Undoubtedly the feature of yesterday's sham battle between the first four and last two companies of the Fifth Regiment was the clever capture of the commander of the defending force, Capt. Drake, and one of his staff, Lieut. McTavish, by Sergt-Major Calhoun and a section of No. 1 Company.

Generally speaking the "outing" was a fairly good success. The weather was all that could be desired, the heat of the sun being tempered by a cool breeze from the Straits, and there was a fairly good turnout.

A couple of hours later the remainder of the regiment filed into camp, and their quarters being thoroughly renovated. While thus enjoying themselves there was some speculation as to what had become of the missing companies and how the men would express themselves when they returned and found "the ladies bare."

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Reaching the city limits the latter force marched down past the exhibition buildings, and approached the base of Mount Tolmie in skirmishing order through the thick brush with the intention of making the attack from the front and right and left sides of the hill.

The first engagement of any importance took place between a section of No. 3 company (on the attack) and a

number of men in charge of Sergt. Lorimer of No. 6 company. These forces came together directly in front of Tolmie mountain, and there was some brisk firing on both sides. The defenders were, however, finally driven from their position, and shortly after the engagement became general along the line.

Although Capt. Drake had comparatively few men it was generally acknowledged that he held a remarkably strong position, and that the hill could not be captured unless some strategy was used in the attack.

Capt. Langley was aware of this, and had carefully prepared a plan which, it was thought, would serve to repulse the defenders with little loss to the attacking force. A small detachment in charge of Sergt. Harris was commissioned to make a feint attack on the left flank, firing in volleys and making as much noise as possible.

At the time Sergt. Calhoun reached the summit of the hill most of the defending force was busy repelling the feint attack of Sergt. Harris and a portion of No. 3 company on the left, and they were therefore between cross-fires and in danger of extermination.

Col. Hall taking in the position at a glance ordered the "cease firing" to be sounded. All the regiment with the exception of Nos. 3 and 4 companies and a portion of No. 2 then adjourned to lunch, the refreshments provided by the quartermaster being thoroughly appreciated.

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Col. Hall is pleased at the manner the attacking forces were handled, but expresses the opinion that if actual warfare was being engaged in there would have been a great deal of work for the hospital.

Appended is the parade state: No. 1 company: Officers, 1; sergeants, 2; rank and file, 25. Total, 28. No. 2 company: Officers, 1; sergeants, 2; rank and file, 23. Total, 26. No. 3 company: Officers, 2; sergeants, 2; rank and file, 12. Total, 16. No. 4 company: Officers, 1; sergeants, 2; rank and file, 18. Total, 21. No. 5 company: Officers, 2; sergeants, 3; rank and file, 14. Total, 19. No. 6 company: Officers, 1; ser-

geants, 2; rank and file, 14. Total, 17. Commanding officer and staff: Officers, 4; warrant officers, 1; sergeants, 3. Total, 8. Bugle band, 1. Band: Drake, warrant officers, 1; sergeants, 1; rank and file, 12. Total, 14.

Officers, 12; warrant officers, 2; sergeants, 17; rank and file, 125. Total, 156.

Notes. Col. English, in command of the Work Point garrison, witnessed the manoeuvres. He says that there could be no better piece of country for skirmishing than that in the vicinity of Mount Tolmie.

A number of prisoners were captured on both sides. Corporal Scott is reported to have surrounded a small detachment of the attacking force, who, although completely overwhelmed, refused to surrender.

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Most of the defending force were supplied with large bombs, and their retreat was marked by a series of terrific explosions, which made the fight much more realistic than would otherwise have been the case.

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Delegates Will Be Fittingly Entertained During Their Two Days' Stay in the City.

Among the organizations which will visit Victoria this year will be the members of the Dominion Medical Association. It has been arranged that the convention, which meets during the last week of August, will convene in Vancouver for the transaction of business, and that those who attend the meeting will come to Victoria and spend two days in sight-seeing.

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THE APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT AND OTHER OFFICIAL INFORMATION GIVEN.

This week's Gazette contains notice of the appointment of the following: To be notaries public in and for the province of British Columbia: Henry Mayors, Victoria, solicitor; Geo. Robertson Gordon, of Vancouver; Jos. Page, of Galiano Island, J. P.

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THE JAPANESE NAVY.

A Canadian, Sir Archibald Douglas, Had Work of Organization in Hand.

The history of the Japanese navy covers fewer years than that of any other naval force in the world. Within living memory she had no ships beyond the old square-rigged junk, the secret of the design of which had been learnt from the Dutch, those one-time masters of the lots of seamanship. Her progress in material was not fast, but she was wise in her procedure.

Other nations had gone on an entire opposite policy and had courted disaster. China had built many powerful ships, but when the day of trial came, it was found that these formidable weapons were of little use because they were in the hands of men who, for the most part, lacked the training necessary to use them.

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No one who is familiar with the Japanese personnel to-day doubts that while it retains all the sterling qualities that distinguished it at the time of the war with China, it has reached a higher plane in technical efficiency.

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London, April 5.—Eight of the opening of the war seen... ent any real fighting apparent... pient possession of Korea as... stage of the campaign ended.

Further reports of skirmishes between the Russians and the Yalu river region are received, but no reliable details are given. The Daily Telegraph's correspondent believes that the early capture of the channel, The Russians are reported to have moved north Yang, where only a few troops remain.

St. Petersburg, April 4.—Approaches for the opening of operations on a large scale... authorities are exercising special care to prevent the Russian military movement and the troops from going abroad might be of service to the... of the attempts to bottle up... of the fleet of Vice-Admiral Kurokawa is expected to be a menace to the movement... transports into the Gulf of

Another effort to block the Japanese movement in the plans for defeating these at this end all additional positions in high quarters that the Japanese appear off Port will find a surprise awaiting

Tokio, April 5.—News has been received from Ping

Planning that the New York... Much, and that is a... the settlement, which has... cumulated funds of nearly... in the case of the Egyptian... can now be expended upon