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### Comment and Criticism.

THE Wimbledon team will be glad to learn that the Corporation of London has again granted the sum of one hundred and fifty guineas for a special series of prizes, to be called the Corporation Prizes; to be competed for at Wimbledon by the Indian and Colonial Volunteers. We need scarcely say that this liberality on the part of the city of London will be highly appreciated; and tend, still further, to cement the bonds that unite the colonies to the mother country.

WHILE the Canadian militiamen have been backing and filling about an excursion to England to celebrate the Queen's jubilee, the Gate City Guard of Atlanta, Georgia, a U.S. military organization, have completed arrangements for a tour through Europe, under arms, including England, France, Belgium and Rome. Verily it takes the Americans for successful enterprize. It is needless to say that they have been promised a cordial reception everywhere, but it may be interesting to note that they propose taking cartridge belts without boxes, which are supposed not to be stylish enough for the troops of less go-ahead countries.

FIVE or six weeks ago we expressed regret that the garrison artillery corps had no facilities for practising with modern rifled guns; now we learn that Messrs. Gilbert & Son, have, after long delay, completed the conversion of ten 32-pr. smooth-hore guns into 64-pr. rifled guns, which are mounted on new standing garrison carriages. We hope that

these will be apportioned amongst the garrison batteries where they will do most good, and that to this extent the disadvantages under which that branch of the service is laboring may be removed without further delay. We doubt not that if the distribution is made promptly the artillerymen will show great progress in efficiency when the next annual report of the D. A. A. is published.

NOW that the camping season is approaching, the several battalions are overhauling their officers' rosters and getting into working trim; consequently we find another big batch of appointments following close upon that published last week. The Dufferin rifles in particular have made so many changes that they will scarcely recognize themselves at their next parade. The list altogether includes twenty promotions, twenty-nine new commissions, only one officer of the lot being qualified and one non-combatant, and thirty-seven losses, leaving a net loss of eight commissions. We are glad to notice that thirteen provisionally appointed officers are gazetted as having qualified, but these do not offset the twenty-seven newly appointed provisional officers.

of changes affecting officers holding or promoted to field rank there are the following: In the Kingston field battery, Capt. Drennan having received a first-class R.S.A. certificate is promoted major from the date of his qualification; in the 31st battalion, Lieut.-Col. Boyd retires from the majority: in the Simcoe foresters, Dr. Morton attains the rank of surgeon-major on the completion in January last of twenty years service as surgeon; in the Dufferin rifles, Capt. T. H. Jones succeeds to the vacart majority; in the 13th, Major Bernard get his brevet step on the completion of ten years' service as captain; in the 65th, Capt. Prevost gets the majority, which has been vacant an unconscionably long time; in the 62nd, Adjutant Hartt attains his brevet majority after ten years' service as captain; and in the 91st, Capt. Bedson, from the unattached list, is brought in to fill the vacant majority.

OTHER points deserving of passing notice are the changing of the second cavalry from hussars to dragoons; the changing of the headquarters of No. 6 company, 43rd battalion, from a point sixty miles from headquarters to the new ward of Ottawa city, the battalion headquarters; the improvement in the status of the Algoma rifles, which has grown within a few weeks from a single company to a full-fledged and numbered regiment; and the removal from the list of two disorganized companies, a move always calculated to benefit the better equipped remnant.

CAPTAIN TWINING HARTT, commanding the St. John Rifle Co., has been selected as adjutant of this year's Wimbledon team, and a better selection could not have been made in Canada. Captain Hartt has been a rifle shot ever since he could hold a gun, and went to Wimbledon when he was only Bugler Hartt in 1878, and again in 1883 as captain. In 1882 he won the D. R. A. aggregate, and last year won

third prize in the Governor General's match, and was first man on the year's Wimbledon list. This sufficiently proves his shooting canacity. His executive ability is shown by the fact that he has been secretary of the New Brunswick rifle association for some years, and has made its meetings successes. Withal he is popular with all shooting men, and can make a speech or sing a song with the best. The D. R. A. and the team are to be congratulated on his se ection.

### D. R. A. Annual Meeting.

PHIS was held yesterday in accordance with the constitution, and proved to be a particularly large and representative gathering. Lieut.-Col. Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick, M.P., the president, was in the chair, and there were present Major-Gen. Sir Fred. Middleton, Major-Gen. Laurie, Col. Powell, A.G., Col. Panet, Lieut.-Cols. Ouimet, chairman of council; White, chairman of executive; Bacon, secretary; Macpherson, treasurer; d'Orsonnens, I S.C.; Maunsell, D.A.G.; Vance Graveley, 40th; Brosseau, 85th; Lamontagne, D.A.G.; Bond, P.W.R.; Massey, 6th; H. R. Smith, A.D.C.; Oswald, M.G.A.; Tyrwhitt, M.P.; Macpherson, Gaurds; Montizambert, R.C.A.; Otter, D.A.G.; D. A. Macdonald; Allan, Q.O.R.; Cotton, R.C.A.; Irwin, I.A.; Lewis, B.M.; Cole, 41st; MacKenzie, Gananoque F.B.; Majors Blaiklock, R.S.; H. Prevost, 65th; Bond, Perley and Anderson; Capts. Sims; Hood, R.S.; Newton, R.S.; Wright, 43rd; Macdonald, Q.O.R.; Toller and Sherwood; Lieuts. Shannon, McNachtan, Chambers, 6th, and Gray; Capt. A. L. Howard, Capt. B. Douglas, R.N.R.. Mr. Sutherland, Senator Macdonald, Mr. E. C. Baker, R.N., M.P., Mr. Josiah Wood, M.P., Mr. Freeman, M.P., Mr. Casey, M.P., and many others.

The minutes of the previous meeting and the annual report, being printed, were taken as read, and after the correction of some clerical

errors were received.

The president, in moving the adoption of the report congratulated the association on the satisfactory condition of its affairs, the financial statement showing a balance over all indebtedness of \$2,073.08, while the annual matches had passed off successfully with a larger attendance than usual, and the Wimbledon team had been maintained as in the past. He regretted the absence of His Excellency the Governor-General, who, however, took as lively an interest as ever in the association, and had announced his intention of continuing his usual annual donation. He also congratulated the association on the success of the Wimbledon team, which, while not successful in carrying off the Kolapore cups, had in every other respect well upheld the reputation of the Dominion. motion of Col. Ouimet, seconded by Col. Brosseau, a vote of thanks to the Governor-General for his cash contribution and for his medals, was passed. Col. Ouimet embraced the occasion to eulogize Lord Lansdowne, and testified the appreciation of the Montrealers of his recent stay there, and of his earnest purpose to advance every interest of the Dominion. The speaker felt sure his Excellency's visit to Toronto would be equally satisfactory, and beneficial to the country.

A vote of thanks moved by Gen. Laurie, seconded by Col. Tyrwhitt, was tendered to Sir Adolphe Caron and the government for their interest in the association, and a similar vote, on motion of Col. Bond, to Sir Fred. Middleton, who responded briefly, reiterating his conviction that skill in instruction, the object fostered by the association, was the most important point of the soldier's duty. All the donors of prizes were

formally thanked.

On motion of Col. White, a resolution of regret at the news of the recent death of Lieut.-Col. Brunel, lately a distinguished officer of the association, and inventor of the Brunel target, was unanimously adopted.

The president laid on the table a beautifully finished and mounted Whitney-Kennedy repeating rifle, which, with loading tools complete, had just been presented to the association by Capt. Howard, manager of the Dominion cartridge factory, and "Capt. Gatling," as the president slipped out the name, amidst laughter, who was present, was heartily, if formally, thanked.

The election of officers was then proceeded with. Col. Kirkpatrick was unanimously re-elected president on motion of Sir Fred. Middleton, and all the old vice-presidents were re-elected. The following members

of council were elected:

Ontario—Col. Panet, Lieut.-Cols. White, Gibson, Graveely and Allen, Capt. Toller and Mr. Geo. Casev, M.P

Quebec-Lieut. Cols. Ouimet, McEachren, C.M.G., Miller; Major Bond and Mr. R. N. Hail, M.P.

New Brunswick—Lieut.-Col. Beer, Major Tilton.and Mr. Sutherland.
Nova Scotia—Lieut.-Col. Murray and Capts. Weston and Garrison.
Prince Edward Island—Lieut.-Col. Smith, A.D.C., and Lieut.-Col.
Tyrwhitt, M.P.

Manitoba—Senator Schultz and Mr. R. Watson, M.P. British Columbia—Lieut.-Col. Ross, retired list, and Lieut. Gray.

Northwest Territories-Lieut.-Col. O'Brien, M.P.

These, with a similar number elected by the various provincial rifle associations, the president and vice-presidents, both elected and exofficion, form the new council.

Discussion was now invited of any points in the report, or affecting this year's work. Major Prevost suggested the desirability of securing a range for the Wimbledon team's practice without further delay, and a communication from Col. Humphry was read, kindly offering to arrange for camping on the Cambridge range. It was also suggested that if the team were entered in advance it would put the Canadians in a better position in the competitions, and it was decided to act on this suggestion.

On motion of Col. Otter it was resolved to invite the National rifle association to send a team to compete in the D.R.A. matches this season. The proposition was received with much cordiality, and a determination expressed, if a team should come, to make them enjoy their visit.

The meeting then adjourned.

### COUNCIL MEETING.

A meeting of the members of the new council present was immediately convened, when Col. Ouimet was re-elected chairman, and the former officers and committees reappointed. The following executive committee was elected: Cols. Panet, D. A. Macdonald, White, Otter, and Gibson; Majors Bond, Blaiklock, Tilton, Mason, Perley and Anderson; Captains Sims, Hood, Toller, and Lieut. McNachtan. Before the motion was put Mr. Baker asked that British Columbia should be represented. It was pointed out that one of the present members might be specially charged with the duty of representing British Columbia's interests, and Major Anderson, on request, promised to act in that capacity.

The Executive committee was empowered to arrange for the expe-

dition of this year's Wimbledon team.

The date of the annual prize meeting was fixed for the 29th August, on division, Major Perley asking for a postponement of a week to meet the greater convenience of the Maritime Province men.

The executive was directed to prepare a prize list not to exceed

\$6,750

Mr. Sutherland brought up the question of introducing the Martini to a greater extent, and proposed using it altogether beyond 500 yards. Captain MacDonald moved that a Martini aggregate should be established, and that the Wimbledon team be selected wholly from the results of the Martini shooting. After a long discussion it was decided to recommend the executive council to adopt the Martini in the Ouimet, Standing, and London Merchants' cup matches.

The council expressed the opinion that it was desirable that the conditions of the Gzowski match should be modified in accordance with the views expressed at the September meeting, and a committee of Toronto officers was named to wait on Col. Gzowski and represent the matter to him. The discussion elicited many expressions of the high esteem in which Col Gzowski's services to the association are held.

A committee was appointed to wait on the Minister of Railways, Sir Charles Tupper, and the maritime members of the cabinet, with a view to securing passes if possible on the I. C. R. for the competitors from the maritime provinces.

A vote of thanks to the C. P. R. for the reduced fares granted the B. C. competitors last year was passed, with a hope added that the same or better rates would be offered this and following years, so as to secure

an annual visit.

The meeting adjurned at 2 p.m.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the executive committee was held at 3.30 when all the members who were at the general meeting attended Col. White was re-elected chairman.

Business in connection with the Wimbledon team was executed, and then the committee took up and arranged the new programme, which had been blocked out by a sub-committee of the old executive. The additional money voted for this year is utilized in increasing the value of the prizes, adding \$5 or \$10 each to the value of the higher prizes in most matches, and inserting a number of \$10 and \$8 prizes, reducing the number of less value. The Ouimet and Standing as well as the London Merchants' cup are to be fired with the M.-H., and the Rideau is changed to a 600-yard match. The small-bore match is abolished and the Martini at 800 and 900 is divided into two matches. In other respects the programme is substantially the same. It was decided to issue the ammunition at the firing points, and to carry out the rules, including those relating to dress, more stringently, for which purpose a chief executive officer will probably be appointed.

### Extracts from Historical Records of Quebec Volunteer Cavalry.

N compiling a history of Volunteer Cavalry in Quebec from such records as have been preserved, it is interesting and necessary to show something of the early origin of Light Cavalry in Canada, and the several periods in the gradual development of the same since.

The first horse to arrive in this country was the one sent out in 1648 to Governor de Montmagny, and the first mention of mounted retainers or escorts to Governors was when the Marquis de Tracy was in

Quebec from 1665-8.

The wars between England and France, in which the two colonies in America joined, caused two troops of volunteer cavalry to be formed in Quebec, and these two troops were called out for active service upon the arrival of the news of Wolfe's intended expedition against the colony.

Le Moine in his "Quebec Past and Present" tells us that "The Quebec Volunteer Cavalry' numbering 200 men, were commanded by one of Montcalms' aides-de-camp, a cava'ry officer, Captain La Roche Beaucourt, or as Mr. Joseph Marmette, in his interesting novel entitled "L'Intendant Bigot," devotes a chapter to Raoul de Beaulac, a supposed officer of this corps, founding his story on the "Memoires sur les Affaires du Canada" p. 139. "On forma aussi un corps de cavalerie et le S. de la Roche Beaucourt, aide-de-camp de M. de Montcalm, et capitaine de c v lerie, en sut fait commandant."

Miles's History of Canada under the French régime says at page 370, "that Montcalm had a reserve of upwards of 2,000 colonial troops and

Indians and 350 horsemen."

Knox's "Historical Journal of the Campaign in North America," published in London in 1769, makes constant allusions, and gives the very highest praise, to the valuable services which the Ouebec volunteer cavalry rendered to the French army, in the detence of Quebec. He speaks of them first as being in the "rear of Montcalm's centre on the high ground in order that the earliest intelligence might be received of the movements of the approaching enemy." Then of their being "detached from the main body at Beauport to watch the movements of the English above the city—their headquarters being established at Cap Rouge, under M. de Bougainville, and their subsequently assisting materially to help in repulsing two attempts at landing which were made by Murray's force at Point-aux-Trembles, and also several little affairs at Deschambault, Sillery and elsewhere."

On the 21st August it is stated that it was due to the constant vigilance of the French troops on all sides of Quebec, and maintained too at considerable loss, that at last decided General Wolfe, that the enterprize of storming Quebec should be given up as too desperate for success—and at page 34, vol. 2, the advantage of possessing a small body of mounted men to follow and harass the English troops, keeping them constantly on the qui vive, is alluded to in the words, "The enemy have got a squadron of three hundred light cavalry, well accoutered and appointed to act occasionally on foot or horseback, as circumstances may require." As fine weather had set in, on the 26th August scouting parties were sent in all directions under experienced officers, to lay waste the country and stop the Canadians gathering their harvest. In most of the distant parishes, such as Beaumont, Chateau Richer, Isle aux Coudres, St. Paul's Bay and Point Levi, success attended the English rangers, but in the immediate neighborhood of Quebe they were rot so successful, thanks to the watchfulness of the Quebec cavalry.

"On the 7th September, in obedience to orders, Admiral Holmes" squadron weighed early this morning; at six o'clock we doubted the mouth of the Chaudiére, which is nearly half a mile over, and at eight we came to an anchor off Cap Rouge; here is a spacious cove, into which the River St. Michael disembogues, and within the mouth of it are the enemy's floating batteries; a large body of the enemy are well entrenched round the cove (which is of circular form) as if jealous of a descent in those parts. They appear very numerous and may amount to about one thousand six hundred men, besides their cavalry, who are clothed in blue, and mounted on neat, light horses of different colors: they seem very alert parading and countermarching between the woods on the heights in the rear and their breastworks, in order to make their numbers show to greater advantage. The lands all round are high and commanding, which gave the enemy an opportunity of popping at our ships this morning as we tacked in working up. I did not hear of any damage sustained though they were a little troublesome. Upon our coming to an anchor they turned out their floats, and ranged them in great order, their cavalty dismounted, formed on the right of the infantry, and their whole detachment ran down the precipice with a ridiculous shout and manned their works."

The troops which had been put into boats rowed up and down without landing, and finally were ordered back to the ships, it having been decided to force a landing next day, but the weather settling in so bad

the orders were countermanded, and on the 10th September, 1,520 men were landed on the south shore at St. Nicholas, upon which a parcel of canoes started from the north shore with some fifty men, to cross over, and watch the movements of the English; but being attacked by the armed boats and floating batteries, who poured grape-shot into them, drove them back ashore, where they scrambled up the precipice, and got behind a breast-work of corded firewood. "By the time they had gained the summit and got under cover they were reinforced, and discharged several volleys at our boats, who still edged towards the shore as if intending to land, and it is not improbable but they expected we should make a descent there, for in a short space of time their numbers increased and we could observe from our ships several officers on horseback, who seemed to be employed in forming and animating their men."

(To be continued.)

# An English Easter Monday Rewiew through Canadian Spectacles.

n Easter Monday morning, after an hour's ride through a beautiful country, I found myself in the station at Eastbourne. For some time past I had noticed in the papers that a volunteer review, of diminished numbers compared to the Brighton reviews of old days, was to be held at Easthourne, advantage being taken of the occasion to instruct the volunteers engaged in the military science of attack and defence.

After many enquiries I was guided to where the contending forces were drawn up in battle array. Reaching the position was not such an easy task as writing about it. Hill after hill had to be climbed ere the plateau was reached whence a view of the operations could be obtained. Eastbourne is a very fine town, celebrated as a watering place, situated on the seaside, surrounded on all sides by downs. The houses are very handsome, far before Brighton residences. The sea front is an extended one, and on the day I was there (one of the finest spring days imaginable) presented a most lively appearance. The forces were about equally divided, holding the same positions they had when the bugles on Saturday sounded "cease firing"-a rehearsal had taken place on that day. The names of the hills and valleys are not familiar enough to me to be quoted. The foes were on the tops of hills with a valley of some extent between them, broken with deep indentations caused by the opening of the hill sides and bottoms for the purposes of obtaining chalk and flints. I cannot describe the engagement in detail, but simply say that up to a certain point all went well for the attack. The advance was made by lines of skirmishers with the usual supports and reserves, covered by the fire of four 40-pounders (Armstrongs), manned by the Sussex artillery. These ponderous guns were moved into position by teams of six horses, led by teamsters in smock frocks. The attacking party were well met by the defenders. Sundry changes of front were executed with great precision. The defence was covered also by a battery of four 40-pounders (Armstrongs), also moved in the same manner by teams. The battle was being waged in grand style till it became necessary to make a movement on the part of the defence, when chaos soon was apparent. The countless number of lookers-on, with the peculiar obstinacy of the English people, would not give way; soon the soldiers and civilians were a mixed mas, then the battle ended. Up to a certain point every thing was carried out by strict rule and order of battle, movements promptly ordered and executed.

The battle had been fought about two miles from the town. After the bugles had sounded "cease firing" the men were ordered to dine, which they did on the battlefield. The spectators, myself among the number, then proceeded to the rear of the town-a laborious promenade. In time, by descending and scaling heights, I found myself in a large field called the "Links," in which the march-past was to take place. The troops shortly made their appearance marching down into the valley; as the regiments came by different routes the effect was very picturesque. The form of the parade was as follows: The eight 40-pounders in front at full intervals; in rear two brigades of garrison artillery in quarter column, and in rear of these were seven regiments of infantry and rifles in quarter column, two regiments in red, four of rifles and one small regiment of four companies in grey. Marching past is about the same spectacle everywhere and does not require much elaboration. An innovation worth noticing, as it was for the first time allowed, was the marching past of six scouts on bicycles in advance of the artillery, taking the place of cavalry. We will soon hear more of the use this method of moving about the country can be put to. This Easter no large bodies of troops were moved without being covered by the scouts mounted on bicycles. The march past was opened by the scouts, then came the guns of position, after them marched past the Brighton brigade of garrison artillery, 10 batteries, 750 men; the Cinque Ports artillery came next, but were much weaker in numbers. Nothing could excel the appearance of the Brighton gunners, well dressed, all alike as to clothing, accourrements, &c.; they marched past in good

form. The infantry and rifles went past in column, all the faults indigenous to our own regiments palpably visible here, that is, bad distance kept in too many cases and the officers either more or less wrong in their disposition in front of their companies. The I.V.B. Surrey regiment (53rd) Brighton were very strong, 10 companies, all told 735, dressed in red; as in the case of their brother soldiers the artillerymen, they were almost perfect in their turn out, their marching was very good; both of these battalions are a great credit to Brighton. The rifle regiments went by very well, a clean, tidy lot of men. After each regiment had passed the saluting base it was marched off the field. I had no opportunity of seeing the men entering or leaving the railway carriages, I noticed them, however, as they passed me on their way going and returning, and for the information of the Canadian volunteers I would simply remark that the men travel in third-class carriages without a murmur. There were on parade some 5,000 officers and men, composed of regiments from London, Brighton, Eastbourne and neighboring towns. The material is very good, smart, active young men, full of vim, cleanly and very steady on parade. One great eye sore visible was the want of uniformity in the dress. Every regiment wore a different head dress, their great coats either rolled Prussian fashion or folded. All had haversacks and water bottles, but these latter were of different patterns; for appearance, I prefer the army water bettle, as was worn by the majority of the men. The accourrements of the whole force were simply a waistbelt and small pouch. This was the first large gathering of English volunteers I had seen; last year I had much pleasure at being present at the inspection of that splendid body of men the Post Office corps, 996 men on parade; also of the London-Scottish, 600 men present; upon mature consideration I cannot see one point in which they excel our own gallant men. Fine as these regiments are, I cannot but think that taking the red brigades of the Canadian militia as they stood at the reviews in Montreal in 1878 and 1879, and at Toronto in July, 1884, we have no cause to be in any fear but that we could hold our own should it ever be our good fortune to be brigaded with our English brother soldiers. The only drawback to my pleasure on Easter Monday was that I was alone; much I wished for the companionship of some of my old comrades who could have entered into the spirit of the fight and enjoyed what is a rarity in this country of late, a perfect spring day, which would have reminded them of their dear old home as it did the

Ex-Guardsman.

11 St. George's Place, Brighton, 12 April, 1887.

### Regimental Intelligence.

Sarnia.—The town hall was filled on the 20th ult. to witness the entertainment given by No. 7 company, 27th battation. The programme contained a number of novel features that proved exceedingly attractive, the large audience being kept deeply interested. The plan of the performance was to represent a company in camp, going through the regular routine of parades, inspections and drill, their leisure time in the intervals being filled with sports and songs and games. The manual and sword bayonet exercises were very creditably performed, and elicited loud applause. Sergt. Corrick officiated as drill sergeant. The camp scenes were as realistic as the limited space on the stage would allow, and the general effect was decidedly attractive. The chief contributors to the singing were Messrs. T. F. Towers, J. B. Watson, Dr. Clement, Clove Lacroix, J. Copland and Capt. Ellis. The comic element was supplied by "Joe Beef" and Lacroix in comic songs; Ed. Everett in stump speeches, and Joe Beef and J. Lacroix as the dancing bear "Brown Ben" and his keeper. This was a great hit, being a perfect imitation of the travelling bear and showman. The songs were chiefly national and patriotic, well supported by choruses, the whole concluding with "God Save the Queen." Two tug of war trials between members of the company proved intensely exciting. The teams were: Spurway, Palmer, P. Clark and Mitchell—north side; Leake, Johnston, Macfee and Farmer—south side. The north side won both trials. The first lasted 14 seconds, and the last 2 minutes 21 seconds. Between the scenes the 27th battalion orchestra, under Bandmaster Philip, played a variety of selections in good style. Capt. Ellis and his company deserve to be congratulated on the success of their entertainment, and are entitled to praise for their fine appearance and the degree of proficiency displayed in their drill. It is not to be expected that young men with their limited opportunities could acquit themselves up to the professional standard, but they showed themselves sufficien

Victoria, B.C.—The civilians on the 11th of April avenged their previous defeat by the artillery, scoring a victory by 22 runs with six wickets in hand. Sinclair, Irving, Snowden and H. Martin hit vigorously for the vanquished; and Worsfold played carefully for his not out innings. On the winning side Clinton would have made the half century had his companion been able to run.

B. C. G. A.	VICTORIA.
Gr. J. W. Sinclair b. Pooley 23 Lieut. P. Æ. Irving c. and b. Innes 16 Gr. F. R. A. Dennman b. Innes 3 Gr. J. Martin b. Innes 15 Gr. J. Martin c. Innes 16 Gr. H. Martin c. Jones 14 Gr. H. Martin c. Jones 14 Gr. H. Boulton b. Pooley 2 Gr. H. Boulton b. Jones 0 Gr. T. Boulton b. Campbell 1 Gr. Pauline b Jones 0 Gr. J. K. Worsfold, not out 11 Mr. Walffsohn b. Campbell 0 Extras 11	G. M. Wilson b. Martin 9 H. M. Innes b. Martin 0 H. J. Campbell c. Denman b. Brake 31 H. Fiennes-Clinton c. Denman b. Sinclair 43 C. F. Pooley, not out 22 G. E. Parkes b. Irving 0 A. Vaudin, not out 9 Extras 9 Total 118 Messrs. Goepel, Swinnerton, Jones, Hett and Wooton did not bat.

Quebec.—The 9th battalion, "Voltigeurs de Québec," under the command of Lieut.-Col. Amyot, M.P., was on the 25th inspected by the D.A.G of the district, Lieut.-Col. Duchesnay, accompanied by a brilliant staff of officers. The drill shed was crowded with spectators, both ladies and gentlemen. The men made a very fine appearance and the different movements were exceedingly well executed. The battalion mustered about full strength, 356 officers and men. The 9th, which did such good service during the Northwest campaign, is keeping up to the mark, and is a fair rival to the gallant eighth. The regiment possesses a strong band of brass and recd instruments. Two silver medals which had been fired for were presented, one being won by Sergt. Germain, No. 5 company, and the other by a private of No. 3. The D.A.G. before leaving the parade complimented the men of the regiment on their fine appearance, their steadiness and their good drill. There is also in the battalion a rifle association, and very good shooting has been made this year.

Toronto.—The Queen's Own had a march out on the 27th ult., along Wellington street to Clarence square and back by way of King street. Lieut.-Col. Allan was in command, and 455 men were in the ranks. On their return to the armory the men voted by companies as to where they should spend the Queen's birthday. Five companies voted solid for Napanee, one for Peterboro' and the remainder were divided. At a subsequent meeting of the officers it was decided to accept the invitation to Napanee. The regiment will leave Toronto on Saturday, May 21, and will return Tuesday night. Napanee is a flourishing town of about 4,500 inhabitants, 135 miles east of Toronto.

Capt. McGee states that the professional band scheme is making good progress, that over \$3,500 have been subscribed and that three musicians have been engaged.

The anniversary of Fish Creek was celebrated in an appropriate manner by the members of the sergeants' mess of the Royal Grenadiers in their rooms at the drill shed on 26th. The election of officers for the year resulted as follows:—President, Staff-Sergt. Curran (re-elected); vice-president, Col.-Sergt. Cusack; Sec. Sergt. Cox, (re-elected); room committee, Sergts. Ashdown, Harding and Jack; reception committee, Sergts. Over, David and Bugle Major Bewley. It is probable that a dinner will be given on May 12th, the anniversary of Batoche.

### Mounted Police News.

Banff, Alta.—It is rumored that Inspector Constantine will take command of the police detachment shortly to be sent here. There are now only six men here under Corpl. Lawder, but this will be increased to 15 or 20 men when barracks are built.

### The Target.

(We will gladly publish all scores sent in properly vouched for. Correspondents will remember that scores unaccompanied by full details as to conditions are useless. When no range or rifle is mentioned the record will be the result of seven shots at 200, 500 and 600 yards, kneeling at 200, Snider rifles, no sighting shots.]

### OTTAWA RIFLE CLUB PROGRAMME.

Ottawa. --The Ottawa Rifle Club have just published the following aarangements for the season of 1887. As we know some of the younger associations will be glad to learn what an old and successful association is proposing as its season's work we reproduce them in full:—

of which will be eighteen (18) competitions for spoons during the season, nine (9) of which will be shot with Snider and nine (9) with Martini rifles. If the number of competitors present at any competition be less than twenty-five (25), there will be two prizes offered, a silver dessert spoon for the first, and a silver tea spoon for the second best score. If twenty-five competitors be present, then a third prize—a silver tea spoon—will be given; and for every five additional competitors a similar spoon will be given. A silver dessert spoon will be awarded to any member who makes a "highest possible score" at any range.

2. In the competitions on the 7th and 28th May, 4th and 25th June, 2nd and 23rd July, 17th September, 1st and 22nd October, one spoon will be reserved for junior shots. If there be more entries from junior than from senior shots the dessert spoon will be allotted to the former; otherwise a tea spoon.

Junior shots shall be those members who, since the establishment of the spoon competitions, have not won two or more spoons. New members joining will be classi-

fied by the committee of management.

When a junior shot shall have won two spoons he shall enter the senior class.

No competitor shall be permitted to win more than one spoon with the same

3. The first of these competitions will take place on the range, on Saturday afternoon, the 7th of May; and all dates fixed for future competitions will be adhered to,.

irrespective of weather.

4. The whole of the Snider and six (6) of the Martini competitions will be fired at 200, 500 and 600 yards; 7 shots at each range.

Three (3) of the Martini competitions will be shot at 800 and 900 yards; 7 shots at each range.

5. The club will affiliate with the D.R.A. and O.R.A., and the medals obtained.

will be given as grand aggregate prizes.

6. The Snider competitions will be held on the 7th and 28th of May; the 11th and 25th of June; the 9th and 23rd of July; the 17th September; and the 1st and 15th

of October.

7. The Martini competitions at the Queen's ranges will be held on the 14th of May; the 4th of June; the 2nd of July; the 24th of September; and the 8th and 22nd of October.

8. The Martini competitions at 800 and 900 yards will be held on the 18th of

June; and the 16th and 30th of July.

9. The following aggrgate prizes will be awarded:—For the five best scores in the Snider competitions, the four best scores in the Martini competitions at Queen's ranges, and the two best in the competitions at 800 and 900 yards the D.R.A. med 1, and for the next best the O.R.A. med 1. For the five best scores in the Snider competitions, a prize presented by Mr. James Grant. For the four best scores in the Martini competitions at Queen's ranges, a prize presented by Major Perley, president. For the two best scores in the competitions at 800 and 900 yards, a prize presented by Major Anderson, 1st vice-president.

11. Firing each day to commence at 2 p.m. sharp. The 200 yards range will remain open until 2.45 o'clock, and members are requested to attend promptly.

12. Except on the 9th and 23rd of July, the position at 200 yards will be either standing or kneeling. On the dates mentioned the position will be standing only. At. 500, 600, 800 and 900 yards the position will be any, with head to target.

The rules and rogulations of the D. R. A. for 1867 to govern.

14. The senior officer of the club present will take charge.

15. The arrangement for the selection of teams to represent the club in the D. R. A. and O. R. A. matches will be settled at a future date. Teams will, however, pay their own entrance fees.

16. Competitors shall use only the ammunition of Dominion Government make

and issue in all Snider competitions, under penalty of disqualification.

17. Members are requested to pay their annual subscription of \$2 on or befire the 7th of May, and all entrance fees for spoons must be paid before engaging in any competition therefor, and all fees for aggregates before engaging in the series.

By order of the managing committee,

Ottawa, 26th A<sub>1</sub> ri!, 1887.

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Montreal. - Owing to "the floods" target practice has not yet begun. In connection with shooting, Mr. George Carsloke of "The Mansion House" has off-red six valuable framed engravings valued at nearly \$300 for competitions between teams of six of Montreal city corps, the shooting to take place during June, so, with the above and the jubilee cup, which the associations are subscribing for, the shots are getting impatient to try what they can do this year at the target.

Moosomin-A rifle club was established last week with 34 members, and immediate steps will be taken, to secure authority, arms, etc. James Harris, V.S., was elected president. Mr. Harris will be remembered at Ottawa as the vet. of the

Ottawa F. B., a capital rifle shot, and a pleasant companion.

Guelph--The first practice of the Guelph rifle association took place on the 26th ult. The Guelph rifle company was represented by Messrs. Brown, Tindall and Mann. The following scores were made:

John Goldie	71	Geo. Brown	47
John Crowe	62	Chas. Cottis J. F. Mann W. Carter	1.2
Geo. Sleeman.		THE CHILDREN STATE OF THE CHILDREN	• 4

### Militia General Orders, No. 6, of 29th April, 1887.

No. I .-- ACTIVE MILITIA.

2nd Regt. Cav. - This regiment, heretofore "hussars," has been changed to dragoons. All new issues of uniform clothing will be made of dragoon pattern. Note. —Officers having hussar uniform will be allowed to continue to wear the same until required to be renewed.

Kingston F. Bat.—To be major from 12th April, 1887, Capt. Wm. Melville Drennan, R.S.A. To be captain from 12th April, 1887, Lieut. John A. Wilmot, G.S., vice Drennan. To be lieutenant from 12th April, 1887, 2nd Lieut. Robert E. Kent, R.S.A., vice Wilmot. To be 2nd lieutenant from 12th April, 1887, supernumerary 2nd Lieut. George R. Moore (G.S., 3rd class), vice Kent.

Erratum.—In No. 5 of G. O. (3), 4th February, 1887, with reference to the appointment of vet.-surgeon, read "M. W. Line" instead of "W. W. Sine."

Winnipeg, F. B. Art.—To be lieutenant prov., Sergt. Chas. Blanchard, vice

Geo. Ho'mes Young, who reverts to the retired list of captains.

N. B. B. G. Art.—No. 4 Bat.—Adverting to No. 6 of G.O. (5), 7th April, 1887, read "No. 4 Battery Saint John" as the battery to which 2nd Lieut. Armstrong is appointed.

B. C. B. G. Art.—No. 4 Bat.—2n l Lieut. Louis Garcia Dumbleton is removed

from the list of officers of the active militia for non-attendance at drill.

G. G. F. Guards.—To be captain from 15th April, 1887, Lieut. Gerald H. Bate, V,B., vice Weatherley, promoted. To be lieutenant from 15th April, 1887, 2nd Lieut. George Rivers White, V.B., vice Bate. To be 2nd lieut. prov., from 15th April, 1887, Sergt. Plunket Bourchier Taylor, vice White.

2nd Batt. -- To be 2nd lieuts, prov., Pte. Norman McLeod (to date from 7th April, 1887), vice Wallace, resigned. Robert Rennie, vice Knifton promoted. Arthur Godfrey Penchen, vice Blake, resigned.

Erratum.—In No. 6 G. O. (5), 7th April, 1887, read "vice Acheson, retired," instead of "Acheson, promoted."

oth Batt. -- No. 6 Co. -- To be 2nd lieutenant prov., Pte. Victor Gingras, vice A. D.on.

10th Batt.-To be captains, Lieut. Donald Macdonald Howard, V.B., vice Gosling, resigned. Lieut. Granville Percival Eliot, S.I., vice Oliph Leigh Leigh-Spencer, who retires retaining rank. To be lieutenant, 2nd Lieut. Albert Edward Gooderham, S.I., vice Andrew Maxwell Irving, who resigns. To be 2nd lieutenant, To be lieutenant, 2nd Lieut. Albert Edward

prov., Wm. F. Godson, vice Gooderham, promoted.

13th Batt.-To be lieutenant, 2nd Lieut. Wm. Orlando Tidswell, S.I., vice

Brown promoted. 2nd Lieut. Robert Hodson, resigns.

20th Batt.-No. 2 Co.-To be captain, 2nd Lieut. Wm. Patterson Moore, S.I., from No. 3 Co., vice John Matthew Newton, who retires retaining rank. To be lieut. prov., Pte. John Hainer, vice James M. Bell, lest limits.

No. 4 Co. -To be lieut. prov., Sergt. Wm. Arthur Cromwell, vice Geo. Dyce

Corrigan, left limits.

To be paymaster, Qr.-Master John Roaf Barber, vice Harvey M. Switzer, deceased.

To be Qr.-Master, Q. M. Sergt. Lachlan Grant, vice Barber.

23rd Batt. - No. 1 Co. - 2nd Lieut. Pennoyer Bignell having left limits his name is removed from the list of officers of the active militia.

No. 4 Co.—2nd Lieut. Jean Baptiste Bélanger having lest limits his name is re-

moved from the list of officers of the active militia.

24.h Batt.—No. 4 Co.—To be lieut. prov., Duncan McLachlar, vice Coogan, promoted. To be 2nd lieut. prov., John Franklin Watson, vice Douglas, transferred to and promoted in No. 1 Co.

No. 6 Co.-To be captain, 2nd Lieut. Amos Wm. Young, S.I., vice Denhardt, promoted. To be lieutenant prov., Sergt. Leslie James Wright (S.I., 2nd B.), vice John F. Ferguson, lest limits. To be 2nd lieut. prov., Alex. Gerald Bourne, vice Young, promoted.

25th Batt. - No. 5 Co. - The Co. at Port Stanley, known as No. 5 Co. of this battalion, having become non-effective, is hereby removed from the list of corps of the active militie.

27th Batt.—Adverting to the appointments in No. 6 of G. O. (5), 7th April,

1887, the following is to be substituted therefor:

No. 1 Co.—To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., Col. Sergt. John H. Wynne, vice Thomas Ellison, who resigns.

No. 7 Co., Sarnia. - To be lieutenant prov., Ptc. Robt. Mackenzie, vice John J. Clement, who resigns.

29th Batt.—No. 4 Co.--To be captain, prov., James P. Martin, vice Wm. Benj. Duck, who resigns. To be lieutenant prov., Wm. Edward Rothwell, vice Robt. Edgeworth Stanton, left limits.

30th Batt.—No. 2 Co.—To be captain, Capt. Geo. Davis Porter, V.B., from the adjutancy, vice Speirs, retired. Lieut. Joseph C. Crowe retires retaining rank.

2nd Lieut. Geo. Anderson, jr., resigns.

31st Batt. -- Major and Brevet Lieut. Col. John Boyd retires retaining his brevet

35th Batt.—Surgeon Geo. D. Morton to have the rank of Surgeon-Major, from 11th January, 1887.

36th Batt .- No. 2 Co. - To be lieutenant prov., Staff-Sergt. Harry C. Stewart (S.I., 2nd B.), vice Chisholm.

37th Batt.—No. 1 Co.—Lieut. John Clark Ramsay resigns. No. 3 Co.—Lieut. James Hugh Walker resigns.

No. 5 Co.—2nd Lieut. John Alex. Catherwood resigns.

38:h Batt .- To be major, Capt. Thomas Henry Jones, V.B., from No. 3 Co., vice Ballachey, promoted.

No. 2 Co.—To be captain, Lieut. Wm. Henry Nelles, G.S.I. from the adjutancy, vice Edmund Sweet, who resigns. To be lieutenant prov., Col.-Sergt.

Wm. F. Smith, vice Herbert Rushton Vates, who resigns.

No. 3 Co.—To be captain, 2nd Lieut. Henry Francis Leonard, S.I., from No. 6 Co., vice Thomas Henry Jones, promoted. Lieut. Stephen Alfred Jones retires re-

taining rank. No. 5 Co. -To be captain, Lieut. John Clifford Sullivan, V.B., vice William David Jones, who retires retaining rank. To be lieutenant prov., Albert Edward Christie, vice Sullivan.

No. 6 Co.—To be 2nd lieutenant prov., Col.-Sergt. Montifort John Ince, vice

Leonard, transferred to, and promoted in No. 3 Co.

43rd Batt.—No. 6 Co.— The headquarters of this company are changed from

"Aylwin" to the "New Edinburgh Ward" of the city of Ottawa.

47th Batt.—No. 3 Co.—The headquarters of this company are changed from "Elginburg" to "Sydenham."

65th Batt.—To be major, Capt. Hector Prevost, S.I., vice Hughes appointed

Brigade Major in M. D. No. 6. 67th Batt. - No. 7 Co. - To be 2nd lieutenant prov., Sergt. Joseph Cyr, vice B.

68th Batt.—No. 4 Co.—Lieut. Ward Eaton and 2nd Lieut. T. Harding Rockwell retire retaining ranks.

76th Batt.—Memo.—Adverting to No. 6 of G. O. (5), 7th April, 1887, the appointment of Capt. J. Landry and Lieut. Zénophile Mallette are "provisionally."

82nd Batt.—No. 8 Co.—To be captain, Lieut. John G. Sheriff, S.I., vice

Thos. Ives, deceased.

85th Batt.—No. 2 Co.—To be lieutenant prov., from 7th April, 1887. Hugh

Adelard Bussières, vice Letourneau, transferred to, and promoted in No. 5 Co.

87th Batt.—No. 5 Co.—To be lieutenant prov., Joseph Doulé Brousseau, vice Watters, retired.

89th Batt. No. 8 Co. To be 2nd lieutenant prov., Frank Coote, vice G. Ademard Dion.

90th Batt.—To be lieutenant, 2nd Lieut. Hugh David Tulloch, S.M.I., vice Arnold appointed adjutant. To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., Henry Edward Macdonell, vice Tulloch, promoted. To be adjutant, Lieut. Henry Mittleberger Arnold, S.M.I., vice Brophy.

gist Batt.—To be major, from 11th March, 1887, Capt. Samuel Lawrence Bedson, (formerly of H. M.'s 16th regt.), vice Lewis. To be 2nd lieutenant prov., John Chas. McKay, vice R. G. MacBeth, who resigns. Lieut. Geo. B. Brooks resigns.

93rd Batt.—To be adjutant, Lieut. Levi Borden Donkin, S.I., from No. 2 Co.,

vice Black, promoted major.

96th Batt.—Adverting to No. 3 of G. O. (21) 10th Dec., 1886, the half Co. therein authorized to be raised at "Gore Bay" is to be a full Co., known as "No. 4 Co., Gore Bay," and the half Co., authorized to be raised at "Bruce Mines" is to be a full Co. known as "No. 5 Co., Bruce Mines."

The designation of the "Provisional Battalion of Rifles, District of Algoma" is

changed to "96th 'District of Algoma' Battalion of Rifles.

St. Boniface Inf. Co.—This Co. having become disorganized, is removed from the list of corps of the active militia. Capt. Louis Arthur Prud'homme retires retaining rank.

New Westminster Rifle Co. - To be captain, prov., Edwin Sayre Scoullar, vice Adolphus Peel who retires retaining rank as a special case. To be lieutenant prov., Lawrence Leander Doane, vice Bronson, retired.

### BREVET.

To be major, from 9th March, 1887, Capt. Peter Benjamin Bernard, V.B., of

To be major from the 19th January, 1887, Capt. Frederick Hammond Hartt, V.B., adjutant, 62nd Batt.

CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

and Lieut. Herbert Digby Merewether, R.S.A., No. 2 Batt., 1st Prov. B.F.A., from 21th March, 1887.

2nd Lieut. James Ince, S.I., 2nd Batt., from 16th April, 1887.

2nd Lieut. Vm. McKnight, S.I., No. 3 Co., 73rd Batt., from 31st March, 1887. Capt. Vm. McKenzie McLeod, R.S.A., Sydney F.B., from 30th March, 1887. 2nd Lieut. Walter Crowe, R.S.A., Sydney F.B., from 30th March, 1887.

and Lieut. Jared Chipman Whithers, S.I., No. 3 Co., 69th battalion, from 31st March, 1887.

2nd Lieut. Richard C. Soy, S.I., No. 1 Co., 93rd Batt., from 31st March, 1887. 2nd Lieut. John J. Kupkey, S.I., No. 6 Co., 67th Batt., from 31st March, 1887. and Lieut. John Lockwood Nicholl, S.I., No. 6 Co., 69th Batt., from 31st March, 1887

2nd Lieut. N. E. Chute, S.I., No. 1 Co., 69th Batt., from 31st March, 1887 2nd Lieut. E. D. Downie, S.I., No. 3 Co., 72nd Batt., from 31st March, 1887. 2nd Lieut. Geo. A. Le Cain, S.I., No. 5 Co., 69th Batt., from 31st March, 1887. Lieut. George Crockett, S.I., No. 4 Co., 82nd Batt., from 31st March, 1887.

Memo. - The date of confirmation of rank of 2nd Lieut. W. O. Tidswell, 13th Batt., is 31st March, 1887, and not as stated in No. 6 of G.O., 7th April, 1887. The certificates issued by the several schools of instruction are crowded out, and

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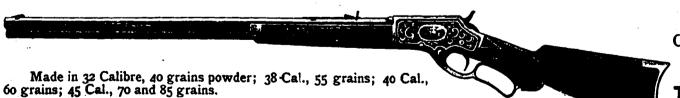
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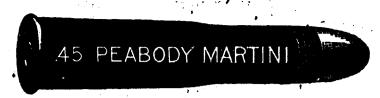
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1. The homesteader shall begin actual residence on his homestead and cultivation of a reasonable portion thereof within six months from date of entry, unless entry shall have been made on or after the 1st day of September, in which case residence need not commence untill the first day of June following, and continue to live upon and cultivate the land for at least six months out of every twelve months for three years from date of homestead entry.

- 2. The homesteader shall begin actual residence, as above, within a radius of two miles of his homestead, and continue to make his home within such radius for at least six months out of every twelve months for the three years next succeeding the date of homestead entry; and shall within the first year from date of entry, break and prepare for crop ten acres of his homestead quarter section, and shall within the second year crop the said ten acres, and break and prepare for crop fifteen acres additional; making twenty-five acres; and within the third year after the date of his homestead entry he shall crop the said twenty-five acres, and break and prepare for crop fifteen acres additional, so that within three years of the date of his homestead entry he shall have not less than twenty-five acres cropped, and shall have erected on the land a habitable house in which he shall have lived during the three months next preceding his application for homestead patent.
- 3. The homesteader shall begin the cultivation of his homestead within six months after the date of entry, or if the entry was obtained after the first day of September in any year, then before the first day of June following; shall within the first year break and prepare for crop not less than five acres of his homestead; shall within the second year crop the said five acres, and break and prepare for crop not less than ten acres in addition, making not less than fifteen acres in all; shall have erected a habitable house on his homestead before the expiration of the second year, and on or before the commencement of the third year shall have begun to reside in the said house, and shall have continued to reside therein and cultivate his homestead for not less than three years next prior to the date of his application for patent.

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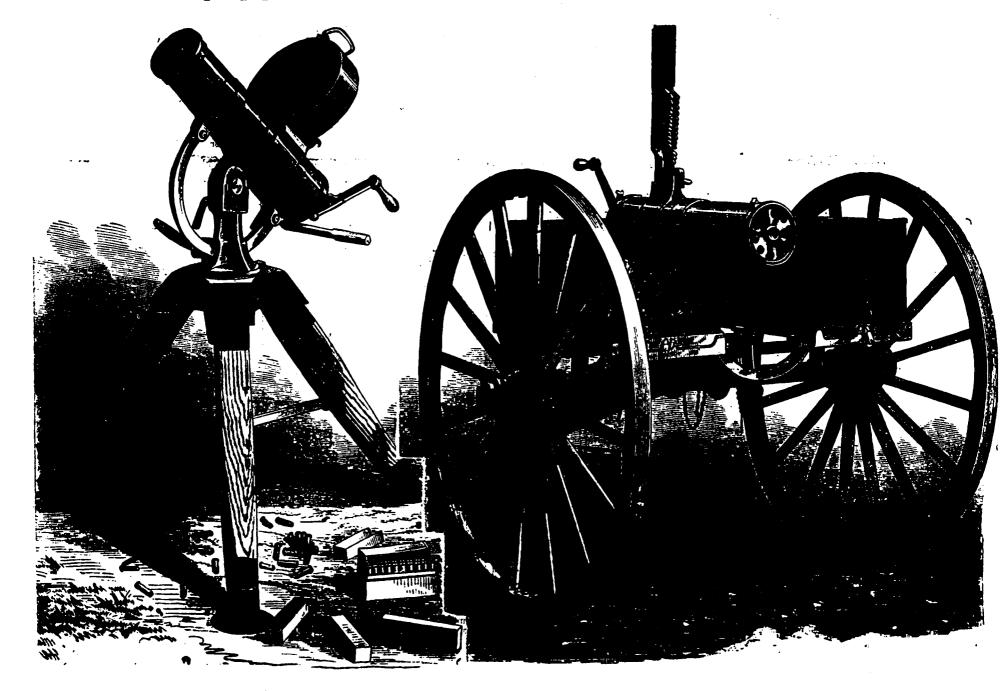
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