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MILITARY CYCLING.

In the present admittedly defective state of the Canadian militia, it is the opinion of many that the advocacy of radical reforms in equipment, and pleas for the introduction of new aids to the very limited stock of military appliances, are uncalled for, and tend to divert attention from the incongruities which exist in the simpler matters of drill and discipline. We differ from this view and hold that to ask attention to the most modern aids to military science will tend to the general good of the militia, by making still more prominent the inferiority of the force in all departments. In this connection general attention should be directed to cycling as a great aid to military proficiency. An article in the July number of the *United Service Magazine* brings out strongly the many advantages offered by the uses of the wheel in military training. The cycle offers to infantry a means of transport faster (under certain conditions) than can be afforded by horses, one that requires no sustenances, and does not tire out; it is shown that cyclists can travel from seven to ten miles an hour at little fatigue, noiselessly, throwing up no columns of dust to betray their approach, and can be lifted over almost any obstacle. In Britain, military cycling has attained great proficiency and is embodied in all leading volunteer corps; there are over 3,000 cyclists in the regiments in England alone, and an authorised drill-book for their special training has been issued by the Government. An instance of the proficiency attained in this branch of the service is in the work done last October by a detachment of the 26th Middlesex Rifle Volunteers, who, in heavy marching order, and carrying ten pounds of ammunition, rode on cycles one hundred miles in less than ten hours. Our Canadian roads are, it is true, much inferior to those of Great Britain, but they are evidently good enough for all practical purposes, as thousands of young men—members of the various bicycle clubs throughout the Dominion, devote their whole leisure time to the pleasure of wheeling. What is wanted is that the matter be officially recognized at headquarters; an immediate enquiry made into the pros and cons of the matter; and, if favourable, steps taken without delay to give practical encouragement to the organization of a cycling detachment in (at first) every city regiment. If necessary, let an experienced military cyclist be brought out from the English service, whose sole duty it will be to organize such corps in connection with each of our best battalions. It will be remembered that the experiments in this connection, made in the United States in May last, were highly satisfactory; eight men, not expert riders, did 18 miles in less than an hour and a half, over wretched roads, and each rider carrying an extra kit of 37 pounds.

THE BAND OF THE THIRTEENTH.

While opinions may differ as to the band of the Thirteenth battalion being the finest in Canada, there is no doubt but that it is a superb musical organization and one of which the whole Dominion is justly proud. The action of the Detroit Musician's Union in endeavouring to prevent their playing in that city, is at once a marked compliment to the Hamilton men, and an *exposé* of the narrow, miserable spirit that appears inseparable from the average American when dealing with men and things British. Jealousy, and a knowledge of their own inferiority in the rendering of military music were, no doubt, potent factors in the action of the Detroiters. Instances of such petty cowardice and exclusiveness from Michigan are strangely out of harmony with the frantic appeals from its sister State, Illinois, to all the world for their presence, products, and purses at next year's Fair.

THE MONTREAL ENGINEERS.

Rumours of an entire reorganization of this corps are heard, and, we believe, with a considerable degree of truth for foundation. A prominent and highly-respected civil engineer is mentioned as the new C. O., to be assisted by well-qualified and energetic subalterns. It is certainly time for such a step, as the condition of the corps, and the published report of the Inspecting Officer, are anything but flattering to Montreal's military reputation. The officers at present in nominal charge of the company have evidently lost all interest in it, and it is rather surprising that their resignations did not promptly follow the publication of Major Mayne's report. Lieut-Col. Kennedy has served long and faithfully his first commission dating back to 1863, and deserves ample recognition from the government for his services; but this does not alter the fact that the Montreal company is the only one of the three Engineer companies in Canada which is reported as practically useless as an Engineer organization; the Charlottetown detachment being mentioned in the same Report as highly satisfactory, and the Brighton (N.B.) company having won great praise from its excellent work at the Sussex camp this year. The N. C. officers and men of the Montreal corps are interested in the work and capable of becoming a very valuable force if properly trained; but in the absence of enthusiastic and well-qualified officers such is impossible. An instance of the state of things mentioned by the Inspecting Officer is that the very text-book from which instruction was given, last season, is many years old, and has for several years been entirely superceded. The establishment of the Canadian Engineer force is absurdly small, and its paucity is anything but creditable to the Department; but that nearly one-half the nominal strength should be reported as practically useless in scientific work shows a state of things that should have been remedied, or attempts made in that direction, within a month after the report reached headquarters.

U. S. MILITIA DISCIPLINE.

A marked difference of opinion exists in the United States as to the action of Col. Streator in inflicting the punishment of tying up by the thumbs, head shaving, &c., on Private Iams, for mutinous conduct while on duty near Homestead, Pa.; as a rule, the officers of the force uphold the Colonel, while the rank and file and a large section of the community, look on the punishment as cruel and barbarous. That the offender deserved prompt and severe punishment no one can deny; the force was on active service, and the offense was grossly treasonable. But torture is a thing of the past in civilized countries today, and it speaks little for the training of the American militia that an officer of that force should be so far behind the age in this respect. There is a crude and amateurish air about the thing which is not creditable to the gallant Colonel; it reminds one of a bigbulking boy, ill-trained and unlettered, tying down and torturing a dog who has disobeyed him. In Great Britain, France, Italy, or even Germany where military discipline has reached its highest point such a thing as an officer tying a man up by the thumbs, and then shaving half his head, would be thought decidedly *infra dig.* and unsoldierly; it was not long ago that the infliction of some similarly petty torture by a non-commissioned officer of the German army on a recruit, was made the subject of a district order, and landed the zealous N. C. O. in prison. In Great Britain such an act as that of Colonel Streator would have resulted in an immediate court-martial and the probable loss of his commission.

THE RECENT CAVALRY RECONNAISSANCE OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S BODY GUARD, OF TORONTO.

The reconnaissance of the above mentioned regiment of cavalry is particularly deserving of mention on account of the practical work performed by them in lieu of the usual drill in camps of instruction.

Lieut.-Colonel George T. Denison, the commanding officer, having applied to and received the permission and approval of Major-General Herbert, C.B., to take his men out on a reconnaissance, ordered the regiment to assemble on Thursday, the 23rd June, at the Old Fort Barracks, Toronto, consisting of two squadrons of about 160 strong, under the following officers:

Com-mandant Lieut.-Colonel George T. Denison.

Major—Lieut.-Colonel Fred. C. Denison, C.M.G.

Adjutant—Captain Wm. H. Merritt.

Quarter-Master—John Sloan.

Surgeon—Frederick L. Grasset.

Veterinary Surgeon—F. A. Campbell, V.S.

Officers commanding troops:—

“A” Troop—Captain C. A. K. Denison.

“B” Troop—Lieut.-Colonel Orlando Dunn.

“C” Troop—Captain F. A. Fleming.

“D” Troop—Captain J. R. Button.

In addition to the staff and regimental officers, Lieutenant Wm. Forester, of the Canadian Dragoons, Quebec, was attached for instructional purposes, and, as expected, rendered such service as to merit the praise of the commanding officer, proving himself an energetic and capable officer.

The plan mapped out by Colonel Denison, and which was carried out to the letter, consisted of making a reconnaissance from Toronto to Hamilton, along the lake front and return by a more northerly route.

Mobilization having been completed by the afternoon of the day of the assembly of the regiment, they were marched off accompanied by their band and regimental waggons, each man carrying his haversack (containing one day's rations), cloak, and cape placed in front of the saddle, the tents, ammunition, etc., being carried, as is usual, by the regimental waggons, each troop having its own.

After covering a distance of some seven miles, and reaching the village of Mimico, a halt was made for the night. As expected for a first night, a considerable amount of confusion existed, and some little time was taken in pitching tents, picketing horses, etc. When the camp was in proper order, Lieut.-Colonel Denison issued regimental orders to the effect that reveille would sound at 4.30 the following morning, and the squadrons must be prepared to move at 7 o'clock. At the appointed hour on Friday morning the parade took place, and the regiment was moved off and employed as an advance guard, being divided into columns to move along three parallel roads. Connections were made by the advance scouts of the various columns at all cross roads, until Oakville, a town of some 1800 inhabitants, was reached, at about three o'clock in the afternoon, when an encampment was made for the night.

The arrival of the regiment created considerable excitement, as it was no doubt the first cavalry visit the town had received in many years. In the evening the band gave a selection of music, which was fully appreciated by the residents.

On Saturday morning, at about the same hour as the preceding day, the regiment paraded and were inspected by the commanding officer, after which they proceeded to the Oakville Common, and were put through the usual field manoeuvres.

A start was then made under similar conditions as the preceding day; the objective point being the city of Hamilton, a distance of sometimes over 20 miles by the roads which were taken; it was reached at about 5.30 that afternoon.

The men were much browned by their three days exposure to the sun and dusty from their long ride, and although not at the time eligible for a dress parade, nevertheless presented a very serviceable appearance.

Before going into camp, Lieut.-Colonel Denison put the corps through regimental movements on the Hamilton Common, after which they went into camp on the Lansdowne Park, kindly placed at their disposal by Mr. Jas. Webster, a gentleman thoroughly in sympathy with militia matters. The situation is on the Burlington Bay and is a beautiful spot.

During the evening the officers of the 13th Battalion entertained those of the visiting corps in their mess room, Drill

Hall, in connection with which it may be stated that their quarters would be difficult to surpass. The non-commissioned officers extended similar courtesies to their comrades.

On Sunday morning the regiment was formed up for church parade at 9.30, under the command of Lieut.-Colonel Dunn, and marched to church. The streets were lined with spectators although the weather was somewhat unfavourable. The afternoon, however, proved fine, and the camping ground was visited by thousands of citizens.

Monday was utilized for the purpose of troop drill, mounted and dismounted, under the command of their respective officers.

The regiment was notified that the return would be by another route, more northerly than the one taken during the advance on Hamilton, and that they would act as a rear guard of a retreating army, A., C. and D. Troops forming the rear guard, with B. Troop as the pursuing force.

During the retreat, when suitable places for defensive purposes was reached by the rear guard, a troop or detachment would dismount, open fire on the enemy, checking their advance and enabling the remainder of their force to continue the retreat. At about six miles from Hamilton a splendid defensive position was found, which could not be surpassed from a natural standpoint, and here it was decided to make a stand and engage the enemy. Lieut.-Colonel Dunn, commanding the pursuing force, finding it was impossible to dislodge the enemy without sustaining a great loss, decided if possible to cut off their retreat, and with that object in view moved his force on the gallop by a lateral road to the village of Waterdown, arriving there just in advance of the retreating force, cutting off their retreat and making prisoners of the force. This move on the part of Lieut.-Colonel Dunn showed good judgment on his part and quick action, necessary qualifications for a cavalry officer, but not always to be found.

Lieut.-Colonel Denison reached Waterdown in advance of either force, and upon their arrival formed the regiment up in close columns of squadrons and addressed the officers and men, pointing out in detail the objects of these manoeuvres, the defects and improvements which could have been made by both sides.

Camp was formed at a point about twenty miles from Hamilton, and on Wednesday the regiment moved on to Lambton, arriving in the afternoon. This being their last night in camp, and in order to show the progress made by all hands, it may be stated that every tent was pitched within half an hour, as well as the horses securely picketed and the fires lighted.

This speaks well for the new departure in the way of practical work in lieu of ordinary camp duties and parade movements. It teaches officers and men self reliance and the important duties which would devolve upon them in actual service, such as were performed to a certain extent during the Fenian Raid of 1866, when the same officer commanded the Regiment, a man whose energy, soldierly qualities, determination and pluck are so well known as to require no further comment here.

Toronto was reached the following morning and after an inspection by Lieut.-Colonel Otter, D.A.G. of the District, the regiment was dismissed.

It may be added that each morning previous to the moving off of the corps, detachments were sent out in advance to prepare the camping places, during which time the officers and non-commissioned officers were instructed in and completed rough sketches of the country moved over, giving in detail all roads and principal features of the country which might be of use in an actual campaign. This was in charge of Lieutenant Wm. Forester of the Canadian Dragoons, Quebec and it is safe to say that he being an excellent soldier, the work was well done.

Lieut.-Colonel Denison is deserving of much praise for taking the initiative and carrying to a successful issue the work performed during this outing, and it is to be hoped that further opportunities may be given him to repeat the reconnaissance or something similar, and that other cavalry corps may see their way to following the good example recently given.

This report might have contained a great deal more information, but the object is not to go into details of the actual work performed but merely to give in general terms an idea sufficient to interest and point out to the Cavalry and the Militia Force the objects of this reconnaissance.

REGIMENTAL NOTES.

TORONTO.

The organization of the fall recruit class of the Queen's Own Rifles commenced on the 3rd inst. at the drill shed. A large number of names were enrolled. Drill was held on the following Wednesday and will be continued every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening.

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Following are the regimental orders of the Grenadiers for the week ending August 20: Detail for week—Orderly officer, Lieut. Stimson; orderly sergeant, Sergt. Howard. Leave of absence has been granted to Capt. Heward for six months from 1st September, 1892. A second-class certificate of qualification, grade B, from the Royal School of Infantry, has been granted to each of the under-named. Pte. J. Blackhall, A Company; Lance Corp. W. Hall, E. Company. Drill for recruits will commence on Tuesday, 30th August. Non-commissioned officers wishing to act as instructors of recruits during the fall drill will report to the sergeant-major at once.

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Lieut.-Col. Davidson has given permission to a detachment of the 48th Highlanders to visit Collingwood on the civic holiday, going into camp there from Saturday evening until Monday. The citizens of Collingwood will look after the detachment while there and a big demonstration and programme of Scotch games will be given in the town on Monday, when about \$1,000 in prizes will be distributed. The pipes and the bugle band of the 48th will accompany the contingent.

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The regular monthly meeting of Her Majesty's Army and Navy Veterans was held on the 9th inst. in Occident Hall, the president, Mr. Alexander Muir in the chair. The following gentlemen were elected as members: Major L. N. T. Crozier, late of the 15th Battalion and late Commissioner of the North West Mounted Police; Sergt. John Madden, 19th Regiment (Prince of Wales' Own); Louis Stead, second 17th Regiment. A resolution expelling the late Secretary-Treas. Dawson from the society, for his questionable practices among city merchants recently was passed unanimously by a standing vote. Alfred Bower late of Her Majesty's 1st Life Guards, was elected to the position thus vacated. The veterans will parade on Monday next at the corner of Yonge and Melinda Streets, and, headed by their band, will march via Yonge and Shuter streets to Moss Park, where the annual tournament will take place. The sports will commence sharp at 2 p.m., and will be under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor-General and Lady Stanley. Col. Sweny and Mrs. Sweny have consented to present the prizes. The band of the Army and Navy Veterans will render selections during the afternoon under the leadership of Mr. Corlett. A very handsome silver medal has been offered by Mr. H. M. Pearce, of the St. Charles, to the winner in the sword ~~versus~~ lance contest. Three other valuable medals have been offered in addition to numerous other handsome and desirable trophies. The programme of games is very complete, and promises to be exceedingly successful.

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The members of the regimental teams of the Royal Grenadiers, Queen's Own and 12th Battalion, who were competing in the Province of Quebec Rifle Association matches at Montreal last week, arrived in the city on the 13th inst, and were given a grand reception in appreciation of the honours they had won for their regiments. At the station the band played "See the Conquering Hero Comes." Lieut. Col. Dawson and officers and men shook hands with the victorious riflemen, and heartily congratulated them on their success at Montreal.

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General indignation is expressed at the lack of progress in the erection of a new drill-shed. The city, at a large expenditure, secured a suitable site, and had it prepared ready for the contractors nearly two years ago, but up to the present scarcely anything has been done, except a partial excavation for the foundations, and the laying of a few yards of stone. The appliances on the work at present seem to consist of a few hand derricks, some scaffolding, a quantity of sand, and some stone. A look around showed that some men were

engaged in sifting gravel and some others were hauling stone; this was about all that was going on.

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All the contracts for the new rifle range have now been awarded. The City Council has authorized the necessary expenditure for fences, butts, etc., and Commissioner Chambers, whose duty it is to see the work properly done, says he will rush everything so that the O. R. A. matches can be fired on the new range.

QUEBEC.

Recent events in connection with the attempt made towards the expression of the smuggling of liquor on the lower St. Lawrence, have largely been open to criticism mainly as regards the part taken by "B" Battery, R.C.A. Two detachments having been sent out, the first in command of Capt. Farley, with 15 men, and the second under Major Wilson, 50 in strength, their movements were anxiously watched by the citizens. The latter detachment returned to the city on Saturday, 23rd July, bringing with them as prisoners two of the smugglers, one of whom, by name Bouchard, has figured of late as one of the chief offenders against the laws of the land.

The first detachment sent out returned during the course of the past week.

Public opinion is divided as to the outcome of the capture. That smuggling has been going on for years no one appears to dispute, but that the chief offenders have been caught is a different matter and is subject to discussion.

The trial of the accused will no doubt prove interesting, not only to the prisoners but to the general public.

Saturday morning the 30th of July saw the departure of another detachment of "B" Battery, under command of Captains Farley and Rutherford, some 30 strong. In view of the representations made by Lieut.-Colonel J. Bell Forsyth of H. M. Customs, it is assumed that the Isle-aux-Coudres will prove to have been their objective point.

Actual service of this nature will serve to relieve the monotony of barrack life, but cannot be called most suitable for soldiers. The policy of the Government with regard to the naval force employed for duty on the lower St. Lawrence is at present subject to criticism, and the part taken by the cruiser "Constance" requires to be thoroughly investigated; but that the proceedings will admit of this remains to be seen.

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The following officers reached here during the past week and are attending a course of equitation at the Royal School of Cavalry. Lieuts. T. W. VanTuys, R.M.C., unattached list, and George Peters of the Governor-General's Body Guard, Toronto.

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Captain C. E. English of the Royal Military College Staff, has been spending a few days in the city, the guest of Lieut. Forester of the Canadian Dragoons.

Captains A. G. G. Würtele, R. M. C. Staff, H. S. Greenwood, Adjutant 4th Regiment of Cavalry and Lieut. A. Kelly Evens, R. M. C. Unattached List, have visited this city recently.

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Saturday afternoon witnessed a game of cricket between the Crescents of this city and the Canadian Dragoons. The former were captained by Mr. Wright and the latter by Lieut. W. Forester. The game was closely contested and resulted in favour of the city by one run, the scores being 32 to 31.

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The Quebec Field Battery are preparing to go into camp at St. Joseph de Levis, the date selected being Tuesday next the 16th inst.

Major Crawford Lindsay, who is recovering from a serious illness, will likely be present in camp, but will not take an active part in the work. This will devolve upon Captain J. George Garneau, an energetic and careful officer, and in whose care the work can be safely and judiciously placed.

The Field Division of "B" Battery, R.C.A., will also be present in camp at the Old Engineer Quarters.

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The last League Match, which was fired on Saturday last, proved unfavourable to the Quebecers in the way of a dis-

agreeable day, they nevertheless gave a good account of themselves.

The following rifle shots have signified their intention of going to Montreal for the Provincial matches: Lieuts. Davidson and Richardson, Sergeants Davidson, Champion and Douglas, Corporal Hawkins and Fraser, of the 8th Royal Rifles, Staff-Sergeant Fellows, Sergeant Long, Bandsmen Pugh (two), and Bomb. Clemens, of "B" Battery, R.C.A.

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The band of "B" Battery, R.C.A., performed on Dufferin Terrace on Saturday evening, and was listened to by the citizens who turned out in large numbers.

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Accompanied by Lieut. Chadwick, 10th Royal Grenadiers, Lieut. Evans, R.M.C., unattached list (Toronto), and Mr. Alfred Austin, of this city, the writer visited No. 1 Fort, St. Joseph de Levis, some few days ago. The condition of affairs as regards the preservation of the masonry and the works generally, leaves nothing to be desired. The works to-day show that the construction of the same was well superintended and carefully looked after ever since its completion. The fort commands a view of the St. Lawrence both up and down river and of the back country. A casual examination shows that the authorities would have no great difficulties to overcome if it was decided to increase the armament.

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QUEBEC, 8th August, 1892.

OTTAWA.

The twentieth annual prize meeting of the Governor-General's Foot Guards' R. A. took place on the Rideau Range, Ottawa, on Friday and Saturday, 5th and 6th August. The meeting was one of the most successful held by the association in many years; the prize list being exceptionally good and the shooting and attendance better than usual.

The following are the winning scores in the different matches:

SKIRMISHING.

Ranges between 500 and 100 yards—20 shots:—

1st, Corp. Nutting; 2nd, Pte. Tink; 3rd, Corp. Carroll; 4th, Staff-Sergeant Cawdron; 5th, Pte. Ellis.

THE MAIDEN.

Range 400 yards, 5 rounds:—

Pte. W. Velland, 20; Pte. Bowen, 20; Corp. Staples, 18; Pte. Howard, 17; Pte. J. L. Conner, 16; Pte. St. Aubin, 16; Pte. Menkie, 16; Corp. Cross, 14; Pte. Ridout, 14; Pte. Smalian, 13; Lieut. E. F. Taylor, 12; Pte. Shepherd, 12; Sergt. R. Hupp, 11; Pte. Slaman, 10; Sergt. May, 10.

THE NURSERY.

Range 500 yards, 5 shots:—

Pte. Brammer, 20; Sergt. Hagan, 19; Lance-Corp. F. Clayton, 18; Pte. Firth, 18; Pte. St. Aubin, 18; Drum-Major Donaldson, 17; Pte. R. Law, 17; Sergt. Behan, 16; Sergt. H. W. G. Mailleue, 16; Major Hodgins, 16; Corp. Staples, 16; Pte. Memkie, 15; Pte. Cawdron, 15; Sergt. Birtch, 14; Sergt. J. Law, 14; Pte. Conner, 13; Sergt. Codd, 13.

REGIMENTAL MATCH.

Ranges 400 and 500 yards, 5 shots at each:—

Col.-Sergeant G. A. D. Mailleue, 44; Corp. Carrol, 44; Pte. Morse, 42; Sergt. Newby, 39; Sergt. Nutting, 39; Pte. Morrison, 39; Pte. Brammer, 39; Pte. Tink, 39; Color-Sergeant Reardon, 38; Sergt. Cawdron, 38; Pte. Ellis, 38; Pte. White, 38; Corp. J. Mullin, 37; Pte. A. Cawdron, 36; Pte. A. Howe, 35; Corp. C. C. Rogers, 35; Drum-Major Donaldson, 34; Pte. Clayton, 34; Color-Sergeant Watts, 33; Pte. Firth, 33; Corp. Wiltshire, 33; Pte. Dawson, 33; Sergt. Codd, 32.

COMMANDING OFFICERS MATCH.

Range 600 yards; 7 shots; Snider rifles.

Pte. Ellis, 29; Sergt. Nutting, 26; Color-Sergeant Mailleue, 24; Pte. Tink, 23; Corp. Mullin, 22; Color-Sergeant Reardon,

21; Pte. Firth, 21; Sergt. H. Mailleue, 21; Corp. C. C. Rogers, 21; Pte. R. Law, 20; Pte. A. Cawdron, 20.

"ALL COMERS" MATCH.

\$8, Capt. S. M. Rogers, 43rd, 91; \$6, Lance-Corp. Ellis, Guards, 90; \$5, Lt. Hutcheson, 43rd, 89; \$4, Lt. Boville, 43rd, 85; \$4, Lt.-Col. Macpherson, R. L., 83; \$3, Pte. Perkins, 43rd, 83; \$3, Corp. Wiltshire, Guards, 81; \$2, Pte. McJanet, 43rd, 80; \$2, Col.-Sergeant R. J. Taylor, 43rd, 78; \$1, Pte. Morse, Guards, 78; \$1, Col.-Sergeant G. A. Mailleue, Guards, 77; \$1, Capt. Gray, R. L., 77.

GRAND AGGREGATE.

Lt.-Corp. Ellis, 157; Col.-Sergeant G. A. D. Mailleue, 145; Pte. Morse, 138; Corp. Carroll, 138.

NURSERY AGGREGATE.

Pte. Brammer, 153; Pte. Firth, 139; A. Cawdron, 137; Drum Major Donaldson, 129.

MAIDEN AGGREGATE.

Sergeant Birtch, 124; Pte. J. L. Connor, 104.

EXTRA SERIES 500 YARDS.

Corp. C. C. Rogers, Guards, 25; Sergt. Nutting, Guards, 24; Pte. Morrison, Guards, 24; Capt. Jarvis, Guards, 24; Col.-Sergeant G. A. D. Mailleue, Guards, 24; Lt. J. E. Hutcheson, 43rd, 23; Pte. D. McMartin, 43rd, 23; Pte. Brammer, Guards, 23; Pte. C. S. Scott, 43rd, 22; Pte. R. Moodie, 43rd, 22; Lt. Boville, 43rd, 22; Pte. J. Moodie, 43rd, 22; Col.-Sergeant Watts, Guards, 22; Pte. Ellis, Guards, 22.

EXTRA SERIES 600 YARDS.

Lt. J. E. Hutcheson, 43rd, 23; Pte. D. McMartin, 43rd, 23; Pte. C. S. Scott, 43rd, 22; Sergt. Nutting, Guards, 22; Lt.-Corp. Ellis, Guards, 22; Dr. Geo. Hutchison, O. R. C., 21; Pte. G. A. White, Guards, 21; Pte. Elmitt, Guards, 21; Pte. R. Moodie, 43rd, 21; Corp. Carroll, Guards, 20; Mr. H. McKay, O. R. C., 20; Capt. Jarvis, Guards, 20; Staff-Sergeant Newby, Guards, 19.

The extra series aggregate, (open to all comers, was won by Lt. J. E. Hutcheson, 43rd, 46; 2nd Pte. D. McMartin, score 46. The prize (restricted to the Regiment) was won by Sergt. J. P. Nutting. The special prize, (wooden basin and spoon) for lowest extra series aggregate, went to Staff-Sergeant H. G. Cawdron with 16.

Sergeant Cawdron had a very narrow squeak for this prize, but captured it in a masterly manner by making 4 pts. at 600 yards for the required two hits.

The thanks of the association are due its many friends who kindly contributed towards the prize list.

KINGSTON.

Major-General Herbert, C. B., and Hon. Mackenzie Bowell, Minister of Militia, visited Kingston and carefully inspected the Royal Military College, the fortifications, and the barracks. It is probable that the Tete-du-pont barracks will be sold for commercial purposes, the site being specially in demand as a railway terminus, although the Minister was waited on by a deputation from the local Board of Trade, who petitioned that the city should be allowed to purchase the property as the site of a proposed grain elevator. In either case, new barracks will have to be erected at Barrieffield—an event which will be welcomed by all wellwishers of our permanent troops; the quarters at Tete-du-pont are antiquated and uncomfortable, and not by any means in the best sanitary condition.

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Although the Military College is a comparatively modern institution there are certain features which require immediate attention. The messing arrangements are good, but the quality of the food could stand considerable improvement. The hospital accommodation is disgraceful; the room used for cadets when ill is situated in the basement of the main building, is excessively hot, and, from its location very difficult to be properly ventilated. If the annual visit of the Board of Inspectors was not a mere farce, the matter would have been remedied long ago.

The annual drill of the 90th Battalion has this year been put through in camp, and has proved most satisfactory in every respect. The tents were pitched in an open piece of ground near McArthur's grove, on the banks of the Red River—a very pleasant and healthy location. The regiment marched in heavy marching order and presented a very fine appearance. Drill was performed morning and evening the men attending to their usual business during the day. A large number of recruits enlisted this year, but turned out as steady as veterans at the end of the encampment. It is to be regretted that the corps is so short of subaltern officers, and a determined effort should be made to fill the commissioned ranks.

The camp was under the command of Lieut.-Col. Bowell, and the following officers were present:—Majors Ruthan and Arnold, Captains Chambre, Stewart, Steele, McLaren, Swinford and Broughall. Lieuts. Goulding, Meadows, McIvor, Rowley, Laing, Scott, and Allardyce. Surgeons Orton and Baldwin. Lieut. Billman, Adjutant; Capt. Fisher, Paymaster.

NINETY-FIFTH BATTALION R. A. MATCHES.

"A" Company 95th Battalion Rifle Association held their annual shooting matches at Brandon, Man., on the 6th inst. Following are the names of the winners with scores attached:

LADIES' MATCH.

Mrs. Hutson, T. Hutson 32; Miss Mabel Flemming, A. Flemming, 32; Mrs. Bartington, J. Parker, 31; Miss E. Howard, J. T. Schunaman, 31; Miss Reid, J. H. Wilson, 29; Miss F. Shillinglaw, W. Shillinglaw, 29; Miss A. McGregor, P. McGregor, 27.

SHILLINGLAW MATCH.

J. Hudson, 63; J. T. Schunaman, 58; W. Miller, 54; A. Flemming, 54; P. McGregor, 54; D. Shillinglaw, 52; D. Taylor, 45.

CLARKE MATCH

P. McGregor, 26; W. Shillinglaw, 26; J. Parker, 26; J. Sillib, 25; A. Flemming, 25; W. Miller, 23; J. Wilson, 23.

SPENCER MATCH.

J. T. Schunaman, 27; A. Milloy, 26; I. Hutson, 26; P. McGregor, 19; A. Fleming, 14; A. Grant, 13; M. Miller, 13; M. Shillinglaw, 12.

NURSERY MATCH.

D. Taylor, 29; W. Miller, 26; S. Lowes, 25; J. Kirkham, 23; J. Maiscott, 23; W. H. Hooper, 19; A. Milloy, 17.

GRAND AGGREGATE.

J. T. Schunaman, 76; T. Hutson, 70; P. McGregor, 65; W. Miller, 64; W. Shillinglaw, 64; A. Flemming, 64; A. Milloy, 59.

ST. JOHN, N.B.

The 62nd Fusiliers and St. John Rifles paraded at the barracks on the evening of 23rd ult., and shortly afterwards marched out through the principal streets of the city, then returning to the drill shed. The men looked well, but their marching might be improved on. Lieut.-Col. Blaine had command of the Fusiliers, and Lieut. Tilley was in command of the Rifle Company. The battalion was headed by the brass band and bugle band, which has been substituted for the old fife and drum band.

The parade was witnessed by crowds of people who had assembled along the route of march. At the drill shed the companies formed a hollow square, and for about fifteen minutes the band (who used their new instruments for the first time) furnished music. Considerable drill was then gone through, after which the regimental orders for future drill were read.

Lieut. Clinch, late of the cadets of Kingston College, and who has accepted a commission in the Imperial army, has been attached to Capt. Goddard's company of the Fusiliers for the season.

MONTREAL.

The annual rifle matches of the 6th Fusiliers were held at the Cote St. Luc ranges on Saturday, 13th inst. The weather was very unfavourable, and the heavy rains of the previous four days had turned the ground into a quagmire; but the results of the competition were most satisfactory, the shooting

being excellent. Major Atkinson was the executive officer.

The following are the scores:—

MAIDEN STAKES.—Lt. W. E. Findlay, Co. A., 15; Pte. J. White, Co. C., 11; Pte. D. McLeod, Co. D., 10; Pte. C. W. Carey, band, 8; Corpl. McCuish, Co. D., 9; Pte. McNaughton, Co. A., 6; Pte. D. Pettigrew, Co. D., 4; Pte. E. Carey, band, 4.

STANDING MATCH.—Sergt. J. Armstrong, Co. F., 27; Corpl. A. Gibb, Co. A., 24; Corpl. J. Ward, Co. E., 21; Sergt. J. Anthony, staff, 21; Sergt. Lavers, band, 20.

SKIRMISHING MATCH.—Sergt. Lavers, band, 27; Pte. T. Scott, Co. A., 25; Corp. J. Ward, band, 24; Pte. J. Scott, Co. A., 23; Pte. A. Cameron, Co. A., 22; Pte. H. McEwen, Co. B., 21; Corp. Jelly, Co. F., 19.

BATTALION MATCH.—Corp. J. Ward, band, 96; Pte. A. Cameron, Co. A., 89; Sergt. Riddle, Co. A., 89; Color.-Sergeant Marks, Company E., 85; Private T. Scott, Co. A., 83; Private J. Scott, Co. A., 83; Corporal A. G. Gibb, Co. A., 83; Sergeant Lavers, band, 82; Color.-Sergt. E. Pratt, Co. F., 78; Corp. Morrice, Co. F., 77; Color.-Sergeant Howard Company, B., 77; Pte. F. Green, Co. C., 76; Pte. A. Reed, Co. F., 76; Sergt. J. Armstrong, Co. F., 73; Sergt. J. Anthony, staff, 73; Pioneer Brighton, Co. E., 70; Sergt. Irving, Co. A., 68; Pte. Lloyd, Co. E., 66; Pte. McEwen, Co. B., 65; Capt. E. J. Chambers, Co. F., 63; Pte. Carey, band, 61; Pte. D. McLeod, Co. D., 44.

ASSOCIATION MATCH.—Staff-Sergt. Lavers, band, 58; Pte. A. Cameron, Co. A., 56; Col.-Sergt. Howard, Co. B., 55; Sergt. J. Armstrong, Co. F., 55; Pte. J. Scott, Co. A., 54; Col.-Sergt. E. Pratt, Co. F., 53; Pte. T. Scott, Co. A., 52; Sergt. Jas. Riddle, 52; Pte. A. Reid, Co. F., 51; Col.-Sergt. Marks, Co. E., 51; Pte. Brighton, Co. E., 50; Corpl. A. Gibb, Co. A., 50; Sergt. J. Anthony, staff, 46; Corpl. Morrice, Co. F., 46; Corpl. J. Ward, band, 46; Capt. E. J. Chambers, Co. F., 43; Pte. Lloyd, Co. E., 43.

SOOYARDS SPECIAL BATTALION MATCH.—Sergt. J. Armstrong, Co. F., 29; Corpl. S. Ward, band, 27; Sergt. Lavers, band, 27; Col.-Sergt. J. W. Marks, Co. E., 26; Pte. T. Scott, Co. A., 24.

OPEN MATCH.—Col.-Sergt. J. Marks, 6th Batt., 63, \$10; Pte. J. Kambery, 5th Batt., 62, \$8; Staff-Sergt. Lavers, 6th Batt., 62, \$6; Col.-Sergt. J. Currie, 5th Batt., 58, \$5; Col.-Sergt. E. Pratt, 6th Batt., 57, \$4; Sergt. J. Armstrong, 6th Batt., 57, \$4; Sergt. D. Currie, 5th Batt., 56, \$3; Sergt. J. Drysdale, M.G.A., 56, \$3; Bugler Broadhurst, 5th Batt., 56, \$3; Gunner G. Cooke, M.G.A., 55, \$3; Sergt. J. Riddle, 6th Batt., 54, \$2; Corp. J. Ward, 6th Batt., 54, \$2; Pte. Jehu, 6th Batt., 54, \$2; Sergt. H. Todd, 6th Batt., 53, \$2; Pte. A. Reid, 6th Batt., 52, \$1; Pte. W. A. Smith, 5th Batt., 63, \$1; Capt. E. J. Chambers, 6th Batt., 53, \$1; Sergt. D. Macrae, Vics., 53, \$1; Sergt. Binnmore, Vics., 53, \$1; Pte. Keough, Vics., 52, \$1.

TEAM PRIZES OPEN MATCH.—First team, Sixth Fusiliers, 236, \$15; First team, Royal Scots, 284, \$10; First team, Victoria Rifles, 258, \$7.50; Second team, Sixth Fusiliers, 255, \$5.

EXTRA SERIES, OPEN.—*Pte. Kough, Vics., score 24, prize, \$6; *Color.-Sergt. Howard, 6th Batt., 24, \$4; Color.-Sergt. J. W. Marks, 6th Batt., 24, \$2; Sergeant Binnmore, Vics., 24, \$2; Pte. Reid, 6th Batt., 24, \$2; Capt. E. J. Chambers, 6th Batt., 24, \$1; Pte. W. O. Smith, 5th Batt., 24, \$1; Sergt. J. Drysdale, M.G.A., 23, \$1; Lieut. E. H. Brown, Vics., 23, \$1; *Pte. Kough and Color.-Sergt. Howard tied, the prize money, \$10, being divided.

EXTRA SERIES REGIMENTAL.—Color.-Sergt. J. W. Marks, Co. E., *25; Pte. F. Green, Co. D., 23; Capt. E. J. Chambers, Co. F., 23; Sergt. Lavers, band, 22; Sergt. J. Riddle, Co. A., 22; Pte. A. Reid, Co. F., 22; Pte. J. Brighton, pioneer, 21; Sergt. W. Irving, Co. A., 20; Color.-Sergt. Howard, Co. B., 20; Staff-Sergt. Anthony, staff, 18; Pte. S. Scott, Co. A., 18; Corp. A. Gibb, Co. A., 18; Color.-Sergt. Pratt, Co. E., 17; Pte. J. White, Co. C., 16; Pte. T. Scott, Co. A., 16. *Possible.

AGGREGATES.—1st. Best scores in matches 4, 5 and 7, D. R.A. medal, 1802. Staff-Sergt. Lavers, band, 202; 2nd. P.Q. R.A. badge, Col.-Sergt. Marks, 109; special prize for aggregate scores at 500 yards in same matches, Staff-Sergt. Lavers, band, 97. At 600 yards (same), Col.-Sergt. E. Pratt, 55.

NURSERY AGGREGATE.—1st., Col.-Sergt. Howard, winner of the Walker cup, 180 points; 2nd., Corp. Gibb, A. Co.; 3rd., Pte. A. Reid, F. Co.; 4th., Captain Chambers, F. Co., winner of the D.R.A. bronze medal.

THE MILITARY RIFLE LEAGUE.

The fourth match of the series was fired on 23rd ult., with the exception of "B" Battery, R.C.A., and the St. John corps, who, for good and sufficient reasons, were permitted to postpone their shooting until the following Saturday.

Ranges were 200, 500 and 600 yards.
The following are the official returns :

1. 95th Batt., No. 2 Co.	886
2. Amherst R. A.	852
3. 13th Batt., 1st team	826
4. 82nd Batt., 1st team	799
5. 2nd Batt., 1st team	796
6. 96th Batt., 1st team	786
7. 10th Batt., 1st team	785
8. 59th Batt., 1st team	782
9. 63rd Batt., 1st team	770
10. Halifax G. A., 1st team	769
11. 43rd Batt., 1st team	768
12. 45th Batt., 1st team	757
13. 6th Batt., 1st team	752
14. 21st Batt., 1st team	751
15. 7th Batt., 1st team	749
16. B Battery R. C. A., 1st team	736
17. King's County R. A.	733
18. 2nd Batt., 2nd team	733
19. 8th Batt., 1st team	732
20. 62nd Batt., 1st team	728
21. No. 2 Coy. R. C. I.	725
22. Saskatchewan Prov. R.A.	724
23. Halifax Garrison Artillery, 2nd team	720
24. Prescott R. A.	717
25. 66th Batt., 1st team	717
26. Charlottetown Engineers, 1st team	712
27. 12th Batt., 1st team	712
28. 37th Batt., 2nd team	709
29. 13th Batt., 2nd team	706
30. 3rd Batt., 1st team	705
31. 5th Batt., 1st team	705
32. G. G. Foot-Guards, 1st team	705
33. 45th Batt., 4th team	702
34. Royal Military College	701
35. 1st Brigade F.A.	692
36. 50th Batt.	686
37. 43rd Batt., 2nd team	686
38. 44th Batt., 1st team	685
39. Cobourg G. A.	682
40. 57th Batt., 1st team	681
41. Montreal G. A., 1st team	679
42. 15th Batt.	679
43. British Columbia G.A., No. 1 Batt.	678
44. Levis R. A., 1st team	663
45. Ottawa Rifle Club, 1st team	656
46. G. G. Foot-Guards, 2nd team	650
47. No. 1 Coy. R. C. I.	644
48. 2nd Batt., 3rd team	643
49. 63rd Batt., 2nd team	641
50. 43rd Batt., 3rd team	637
51. 21st Batt., 2nd team	634
52. 60th Batt., 1st team	630
53. 12th Batt., 2nd team	630
54. Orillia R. A., 1st team	623
55. 13th Batt., 3rd team	620
56. Halifax County R. A.	618
57. 69th Batt., 2nd team	618
58. St. John Rifle Co.	615
59. 10th Batt., 2nd team	612
60. 8th Batt., 2nd team	611
61. Carleton County R. A.	611
62. Fort Saskatchewan R. A.	609
63. 43rd Batt., 4th team	609
64. 57th Batt., 2nd team	604
65. No. 4 Coy. R. C. I., 1st team	602
66. Montreal G. A., 2nd team	597
67. 71st Batt., 1st Fredericton	590
68. A Battery R. C. A., 1st team	585
69. Grand Trunk R. A.	581
70. 78th Batt., 1st team	569
71. 33rd Batt., 1st team	562
72. Princess Louise Dragoon Guards (3 short)	361

73. 2nd Batt., 4th team	555
74. 90th Batt., 1st team	554
75. 45th Batt., 2nd team	550
76. 49th Batt., Madoc (3 men short)	545
77. 10th Batt., 3rd team	542
78. Kings Co, R. A., 2nd team	535
79. 39th Batt., 1st team	531
80. G. G. Foot-Guards, 3rd team	528
81. 13th Batt., 4th team	527
82. 38th Batt.	513
83. 1st Batt., 1st team	506
84. Halifax G. A., 3rd team	505
85. 6th Batt., 2nd team	494
86. B. Battery R. C. A., 2nd team	492
87. 5th Batt., 2nd team (1 man short)	491
88. 10th Batt., 4th team	480
89. 9th Batt.	466
90. 25th Batt., 1st team	461
91. 78th Batt., 2nd team (2 men short)	457
92. 55th Batt., 1st team	455
93. 8th Batt., 3rd team	455
94. No. 3 Coy. R. C. I.	449
95. No. 4 Coy. R. C. I., 2nd team	449
96. 66th Batt., 2nd team	419
97. 43rd Batt., 5th team	419
98. 77th Batt., 2nd team (1 man short)	412
99. 77th Batt., 1st team (4 men short)	398
100. 14th Batt., (4 men short)	389
101. 62nd Batt., 2nd team (3 men short)	378
102. G. G. Foot-Guards, 4th team	377
103. 95th Batt., "A" Coy., (5 men short)	355
104. 37th Batt., 1st team (1 man short)	326
105. 40th Batt., 1st team	324
106. 26th Batt. (6 short)	297
107. Macleod R. A., (2 men short)	285
108. Regina R. A., 1st team (5 men short)	282
109. 22nd Batt., 1st team (5 men short)	267
110. 3rd Batt., 2nd team (5 men short)	263
111. Governor-General's Body Guard (4 short)	250
112. 44th Batt., 2nd team (4 men short)	216
113. Montreal R. A., (7 men short)	204
114. 25th Batt., 2nd team (4 men short)	157
115. 55th Batt., 2nd team (3 men short)	148
116. G. G. Foot-Guards, 5th team (2 men short)	148
117. A Battery R. C. A., 2nd team (7 short)	106
118. 1st Batt., 2nd team (7 men short)	64

The highest individual score was made by
Capt. J. Bruce, 10th R.G.

	200	500	600
	5 5 5 4 4 5 4 3 2	5 5 5 4 5 2 5 3 1	5 5 5 5 5 4 4 3 3
Total			96

Those of 90 and over were :

Pte W. B. Unsworth, 95th	94
Pte. A. A. Smith, 59th	93
R. H. Tremaine, Amherst R.A.	92
Willard Baird, Amherst R.A.	92
Capt. D. Stewart, 82nd Batt.	92
Pte. D. Macklin, 95th Batt.	91
Lieut. R. C. Brown, 95th Batt.	91
Sergt. J. O. Thorn, 2nd Batt.	91
Capt. W. Shepperd, 95th Batt.	90
Sergt. R. Corrigan, 59th Batt.	90
L.-Corpl. N. Peveril, 63rd Batt.	90
Pte. Whinster, 95th Batt.	90
Lieut. G. L. Macfarlane, 50th Batt.	90
Col.-Sergt. J. Marks, 6th Batt.	90

The fifth and final match was fired on 6th inst., resulting as follows :

95th Batt., No. 2 Co.	-	-	-	-	913
49th Batt., 2nd team	-	-	-	-	864
82nd Batt., No. 1 team	-	-	-	-	851
7th Batt., 1st team	-	-	-	-	840
45th Batt., 1st team	-	-	-	-	840
Prescott R. A.	-	-	-	-	841
96th Batt., No. 1 team	-	-	-	-	832
13th Batt., 2nd team	-	-	-	-	814
Charlottetown Engineers	-	-	-	-	813
13th Batt., 1st team	-	-	-	-	811
Prince Edward Island G. A., No. 1 team	-	-	-	-	809

43rd Batt., 1st team	804	22nd Batt., 1st team (3 short)	456
2nd Batt., 1st team	797	77th Batt., 2nd team (2 short)	453
King's County R. A.	792	Princess Louise Dragoon Guards (2 short)	441
Montreal Garrison Artillery, 1st team	792	Macleod R. A., No. 1 team, (3 short)	420
6th Batt., 1st team	790	57th Batt., 2nd team (short)	411
59th Batt.	789	62nd Batt., 2nd team	380
Halifax County R. A.	781	72nd Batt., 1st team (3 short)	350
21st Batt., 1st team	780	Halifax G. A., 4th team	344
1st Brigade Field Artillery	779	Governor-General's Body Guard (3 short)	321
Halifax G. A., 2nd team	774	37th Batt., (2 short)	286
10th Batt., 1st team	774	44th Batt., 2nd team (6 short)	248
45th Batt., 4th team	768	25th Batt., 2nd team (3 short)	223
2nd Batt., 2nd team	766	Montreal R. A. (7 short)	196
62nd Batt., 1st team	763	"A" Battery, R. C. A., No. 2 team (4 short)	144
63rd Batt., 1st team	760	1st Batt., 2nd team (7 short)-	64
Amherst R. A.	759	The highest individual score was put on by	
71st Batt., St. Stephen team	759	Pte. H. Nickle, 49th Batt :	
No. 1 Battery, B. C. Garrison Artillery	759	200	400
57th Batt., 1st team	752	4 5 5 5 5 5 5—34	5 5 5 5 3 5 4—32
No. 2 Coy. R. C. I.	751	600	
"B" Battery, R. C. A., 1st team	751	5 5 5 5 5 5 5—35	Total—101
12th Batt.,	744		
37th Batt., 2nd team	743		
5th Batt., 1st team	738		
44th Batt., 1st team	734		
39th Batt., 1st team	731		
Saskatchewan Prov. R. A.	722		
43rd Batt., 2nd team	721		
3rd Batt., 1st team	720		
Orillia R. A.	719		
Cobourg R. A.	717		
Halifax G. A., 1st team	713		
Levis R. A.	703		
Royal Military College	702		
50th Batt.	693		
13th Batt., 3rd team	691		
69th Batt., 1st team	689		
Ottawa Rifle Club (1 short)	684		
No. 4 Coy., R. C. I.	680		
St. John Rifle Co.	674		
Dufferin R. A.	673		
43rd Batt., 3rd team	673		
13th Batt., 4th team	672		
No. 1 Coy., R. C. I.	668		
6th Batt., 2nd team	668		
2nd Batt., 3rd team	668		
King's County R. A., 2nd team	665		
43th Batt., 4th team	658		
21st Batt., 2nd team	653		
95th Batt., Brandon team	651		
Montreal G. A., 2nd team	651		
66th Batt., 1st team	651		
69th Batt., 2nd team	634		
10th Batt., 2nd team	629		
10th Batt., 3rd team	618		
Fort Saskatchewan Ass'n	614		
Grand Trunk R. A.	611		
77th Batt., 1st team (2 short)	601		
5th Batt., 2d team	598		
2nd Batt., 4th team	588		
33rd Batt.	586		
63rd Batt., 2nd team	583		
Prince Edward Island G. A., No. 2 team	580		
No. 3 Coy R. C. I.	573		
78th Batt., (1 short)	571		
"B" Battery, R. C. A., 2nd team	567		
1st Batt., 1st team	561		
9th Batt.	557		
66th Batt., 2nd team	555		
55th Batt., 2nd team	548		
"A" Battery, R. C. A., No. 1 team	548		
55th Batt., 1st team	546		
40th Batt.	546		
26th Batt. (3 short)	537		
25th Batt., 1st team	535		
Halifax G. A., 3rd team	530		
78th Batt., 2nd team	520		
71st Batt., Fredericton team (3 short)	516		
No. 2 Coy R. C. I. (2 short)	488		
10th Batt., 4th team	480		
43rd Batt., 5th team	471		
3rd Batt., 2nd team (1 short)	469		
		Captain W. Shepherd, 95th Battalion	99
		Pte. F. O'Hara, 49th Batt	99
		Pte. C. A. Montgomery, Dufferin Rifles	97
		Pte. J. McKenzie, 95th Battalion	96
		Major J. Raney, Prescott R. A.	96
		Pte. T. Hiscott, 7th Battalion	95
		Rufus Carter, Amherst R. A.	95
		Staff-Sergt. M. Allan, 82nd Batt.	95
		R. Corrigan, 59th Battalion	94
		Pte. W. Whittle, 49th Batt.	94
		Capt. J. A. Longworth, P. E. I. Garrison Artillery	94
		Pte. J. H. Oliver, 45th Batt	94
		Sergeant F. A. Carmer, 95th Batt.	93
		Staff-Sergt. J. S. Huntingdon, Prescott R. A.	93
		J. L. Weller, 59th Batt.	92
		Pte. R. McLeod, 95th Batt.	92
		Sergt. W. Holmes, No. Coy. R. C. I.	92
		Capt. J. Rorr, 49th Batt.	92
		Lieut. J. D. Chipman, 71st Batt.	92
		Major S. Hughes, 45th Batt.	92
		Pte. A. O'Brien, 7th Batt.	91
		Pte. J. Hunter, 95th Batt	91
		Capt. Rogers, 43rd Batt.	91
		Major Weston, 66th Batt	91
		Pte. J. Reid, No. 2 Coy R. C. I.	91
		Pte. W. Kenney, 45th Batt.	91
		Capt. A. L. Russell, 96th Batt.	91
		Capt. E. G. Zealand, 13th Batt.	90
		Sergt. J. Drysdale, Montreal G. A.	90
		Capt. E. A. Dodge, King's County R. A.	90
		S. Sergt. J. Crowe, No. 1 Brigade F. A.	90
		B. R. Bent, Amherst R. A.	90
		Pte. J. Kambery, 5th Batt	90
		Pte. W. Y. Montgomery, 96th Batt.	90
		Gunner W. Pugh, "B" Battery	90
		Sergt. J. M. Davison, Charlottetown Engineers	90
		Staff-Sergt. J. B. Robinson, Prescott R. A.	90
		Sergt. J. Best, 49th Batt.	90

NEW BRUNSWICK RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The programme is out for the Annual Matches of this Association which are to be fired on the Sussex Range on Tuesday, 23rd August and following days. A large number of prizes are offered, aggregating about \$1,250, as well as several valuable challenge cups and medals. The matches are "Nursery and Maiden," "All comers," "Domville," "Prince of Wales," "Provincial," "Elder," "Association," "Maiden Aggregate," "Grand Aggregate," "York and King's Pitcher," and three extra series. The names of the officers of the meeting are not given, but Capt. J. Twining Hartt, St Johns, is the well-known secretary of the Association.

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This number, the first of our new series, speaks for itself, and gives a fair idea of what future issues will be like. The Canadian Militia Gazette has blossomed into *The Canadian Military Gazette*—a change of name, small in itself, but one which considerably enlarges the scope of the paper. The Militia and its doings will of course occupy chief attention, all obtainable records of special parades, inspections, camps, etc., being published; while full scores will be given of all regimental and provincial rifle-matches. Due attention will be given to military matters of interest in Britain and foreign countries; and it is hoped to bring out a series of regimental histories of the various corps past and present of the Canadian service.

THE MILITARY RIFLE LEAGUE.

In this issue we give the scores in the fourth and fifth competitions, and regret that the publication of the list of prize-winners must be deferred until our next number. This is due to the fact that several protests have been entered against competing teams, and until these are settled by the Council it is impossible to say to whom the prizes will be awarded.

DISBANDING INEFFICIENT CORPS.

The Government has taken a wise step in the disbandment of three corps whose usefulness has long since departed, and we trust that it is but the beginning of a general lopping-off of defunct or comatose battalions, whose mention in the Militia List has long given an inflated and false opinion of our military strength. The three first victims are the Toronto Garrison Artillery, the Gaspé Garrison Artillery, and the 18th Battalion. The first mentioned corps was organized in 1866, and at one time showed considerable efficiency; but its condition of late years is shown by the fact that it possessed but one officer, Capt. McMurrich, and he, although gazetted over eight years ago, had never qualified. The Gaspé Battery was of more recent creation, and was not quite twenty years old; but although nurtured in a cold district it was tropical in its early rise to maturity, and subsequent rapid senility. The 18th "Prescott" Battalion dated from 1863 and bore the moth "*Paratus et Volens*"—the truth of the first part of which has, of recent years, been more than questionable. It is to be hoped that all three corps will be resuscitated under the new conditions which, we sincerely trust, will soon surround the militia system. It is not creditable to Toronto that its only battery of Garrison Artillery

should be permitted to become inefficient and be reduced, while Halifax maintains seven batteries, Montreal six, St. John four, Quebec three, Victoria three, and many smaller towns two or even a single battery.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TORONTO, Ontario, 21st July, 1891.

The Editor of THE MILITIA GAZETTE.

SIR,—Your new departure in presenting your readers with views and portraits connected with the object of your paper, must be highly satisfactory to your readers and the public, and I congratulate you upon it.

I take the liberty, however, of informing you that your strictures upon the condition of Fort Mississauga have lost their point owing to the action within the two years past of the Ontario Government, by which a sum has been granted for the purpose of putting the old fort with its rich historic memories into repair. Two instalments of the sum granted have been paid in each year, by which method economists and antiquarians are alike satisfied, and the fort now presents a promising appearance for peace and war. The floors have been put in and low platforms placed at small pent-house windows—excuse my ignorance of the proper military term—one in each side of the quadrilateral roof, and from each of these, delightful views of the lake, and of the surrounding country may be had.

New doors have been placed at the entrance of the magazines, the yards have been cleared and gravelled, the earth-works re-graded, and plots of flowers vivify and relieve the otherwise heavy effect of the solid masonry.

A person is put in charge, quarters for a small family having been fitted up within the fort enclosure, which is shut off from the outer-world by the old heavily-studded oaken gate.

Fort Mississauga has become an actual pleasure resort; may it ever continue so!

Yours very sincerely,

S. A. CURZON.

The Editor of THE MILITIA GAZETTE.

SIR, Your reference, in a late issue, to the possibility of a change being made in the situation of the Richmond Field Battery suggests the desirability of a second battery in Montreal. Should it be necessary to remove the the Richmond guns from their present quarters, I think that it would be better to bring them to this city and supply the local gap by an increase in the Sherbrooke city battalion.

Our present system of establishing isolated field batteries is one presenting many weak points.

The field battery, to-day, is merely the lowest artillery unit in action. Consequently if the need of brigading arises at any time there will certainly be a want of cohesion when the tactical operations come into play.

The Ontario brigade only two batteries after all—gives on the field ample proof of the advantages of the brigade system, and the benefit to men and horses of the putting into brigade five batteries at the Niagara Camp was abundantly evidenced at the close of the camp. I know that a second field battery could be raised in a few hours in this city and it would consist of many experienced men.

F. B.

On 22nd ult., the Government steamer "Newfield" sailed from Halifax for St. John, N.F., taking the advance party of the 40th Company Royal Engineers, for demolition of the ruins of the burned portion of the city, and to assist in reconstruction. The detachment consisted of one sergeant and fourteen rank and file, under command of Lieut. Edwards; they took a supply of gun cotton and all necessary explosives.

Dominion Artillery Association Competition

FOR GARRISON ARTILLERY, 1892.

The competition practice of detachments from all Garrison Batteries in the Dominion (except British Columbia) was held this year at Halifax, N.S. lasting two weeks, from the 1st to the 13th instant. The camp was situated at Point Pleasant in a pine grove which forms part of the Imperial Government Park. An open space adjoining with a gentle slope to the beach served as the firing Battery where two 64 pounder and two 20 pounder guns were mounted. The targets were anchored at a distance of 2000 yards from the firing point, opposite York Redoubt and near the mouth of the harbor. The range proves to have been well selected as the water is comparatively smooth except when a southerly wind is blowing, and the high rocky shore enables the range party to remain on land and observe the results of the shots with much greater accuracy than could be done from a boat. The drawbacks are that the harbor is subject to thick fogs at all seasons of the year and in fine weather the large number of shipping craft constantly passing in and out, causes delay when they get in the line of fire.

The opening day was fine and the Halifax detachments made some good scores. Rain and fog however came on at night and lasted all next day during which nothing could be done. On Wednesday morning the fog lifted and the Yarmouth and Digby Batteries were enabled to complete their firing. They were followed immediately by the Montreal Brigade, but in the afternoon the rain came on and thick fog again hid the targets, making it impossible to continue firing. The next morning was clear, however, and the Montrealers were up bright and early—commenced firing soon after six o'clock, and finished about 4 p.m. Then followed the 'A' Shift. This consisted in dismounting a gun weighing 58 cwt. down the rear taking it 20 feet and back by rollers, and remounting it up the side. Time allowance, 20 minutes. Highest possible marks 250. The Montreal detachment under Sergt.-Major Benton were handicapped in having to work with wet skids and planks, and with a gun 8 cwt. heavier than the one they have to practice with at home. They were the first to do the shift, their time being 21 min. 15 sec. and five points deducted for misplacing two men. The shift has since been performed by Nos. 1 and 2 Halifax detachments in 14 min. 35 sec. and 16 min. 16 sec. respectively, and by Prince Edward Island in 19 min. 55 sec. but the points deducted from these detachments for errors in drill have not yet been announced.

Through the courtesy of the Imperial officers the Montreal detachment was enabled to take advantage of the passes granted by Sir John Ross to the citadel and forts. Col. Hill, R.E., placed a government steamboat at the disposal of Col. Cole, who gladly availed himself of the opportunity to take his officers and men to visit the harbour and fortifications, and with Capt. Boileau, Adjutant of the Royal Artillery, as guide, the trip proved a most enjoyable and instructive one. The detachment landed near the new "quick firing battery" on McNab's Island, and then visited Ive's Point Battery, which is heavily armed with 9 and 10 inch guns. A new instrument for range finding, which was shewn here, proved of great interest. A march of two miles brought the detachment to the camp of the Leicestershire regiment, two companies of which are under canvas on this island all summer for the purpose of rifle practice. Just beyond the camp is the most modern of all the harbour fortifications, namely, Fort McNab.

The chief point of attraction in this fort was the new 10 in. B. L. gun, which has lately been mounted. It is 29 feet long, fires a steel projectile weighing 500 pounds, and has an effective range of 7 miles. A pleasant sail across the harbour and a steep climb up the rocky cliff brought the detachment to the entrance to York Redoubt. This is an old fort which is being remodelled and extended, all the work being done in the solid rock. At the base of the cliff is another "quick firing battery" for Hotchkiss guns, intended to repel torpedo boats.

It appears strange to us that the officers of the Royal Artillery at Halifax were not approached by the executive of the Dominion Artillery Association with a view to securing their co-operation and assistance in making the meeting at Halifax as instructive and interesting as possible to the visiting artillerymen. We understand that the first intimation the Royal Artillery officers had of the existence of an artillery camp in Halifax was through the newspapers, and had they been asked to assist they could have arranged to fire the 9 and 10 inch guns before the close of the present competitions.

The messing arrangements, both for officers and men in camp, were found to be inferior to those of the Island of Orleans. Another drawback to the present camp is that no telephonic communication was arranged for, or means of conveyance provided between the camp and the city, a distance of 1½ miles. These matters of detail we think could easily have been arranged and would have added materially to the comfort of the visiting detachments. If the Dominion Artillery Association decides to hold their next meeting at Halifax it is hoped that the executive will take the matter up in good time and have all possible arrangements for comfort and convenience made long beforehand.

The scores made were as follows :

HALIFAX BRIGADE.

No. 1 Battery	64-pr., 18; 20-pr., 24.	Aggregate, 42.
No. 2 Battery	64-pr., 30; 20-pr., 47.	" 77.
No. 3 Battery	64-pr., 81; 20-pr., 39.	" 120.
No. 4 Battery	64-pr., 15; 20-pr., 19.	" 34.
No. 5 Battery	64-pr., 33; 20-pr., 25.	" 58.
No. 6 Battery	64-pr., 54; 20-pr., 19.	" 73.
No. 7 Battery	64-pr., 14; 20-pr., 45.	" 59.

QUEBEC.

No. 2 Battery	64-pr., 76; 20-pr., 43.	Aggregate, 119.
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LEVIS.

No. 1 Battery	64-pr., 28; 20-pr., 27.	Aggregate, 55.
No. 2 Battery	64-pr., 31; 20-pr., 6.	" 37.

NEW BRUNSWICK BRIGADE.

No. 1 Battery	64-pr., 13; 20-pr., 18.	Aggregate, 31.
No. 2 Battery	64-pr., 44; 20-pr., 31.	" 75.
No. 3 Battery	64-pr., 20; 20-pr., 21.	" 41.
No. 4 Battery	64-pr., 16; 20-pr., 33.	" 49.
No. 5 Battery	64-pr., 23; 20-pr., 23.	" 46.

COBOURG BATTERY.

	64-pr., 51; 20-pr., 46.	Aggregate, 97.
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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND BRIGADE.

No. 1 Battery	64-pr., 19; 20-pr., 27.	Aggregate, 46.
No. 2 Battery	64-pr., 24; 20-pr., 31.	" 55.
No. 3 Battery	64-pr., 62; 20-pr., 46.	" 108.
No. 4 Battery	64-pr., 33; 20-pr., 25.	" 58.
No. 5 Battery	64-pr., 41; 20-pr., 51.	" 92.

DIGBY BATTERY.

	64-pr., 15; 20-pr., 46.	Aggregate, 61.
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YARMOUTH BATTERY.

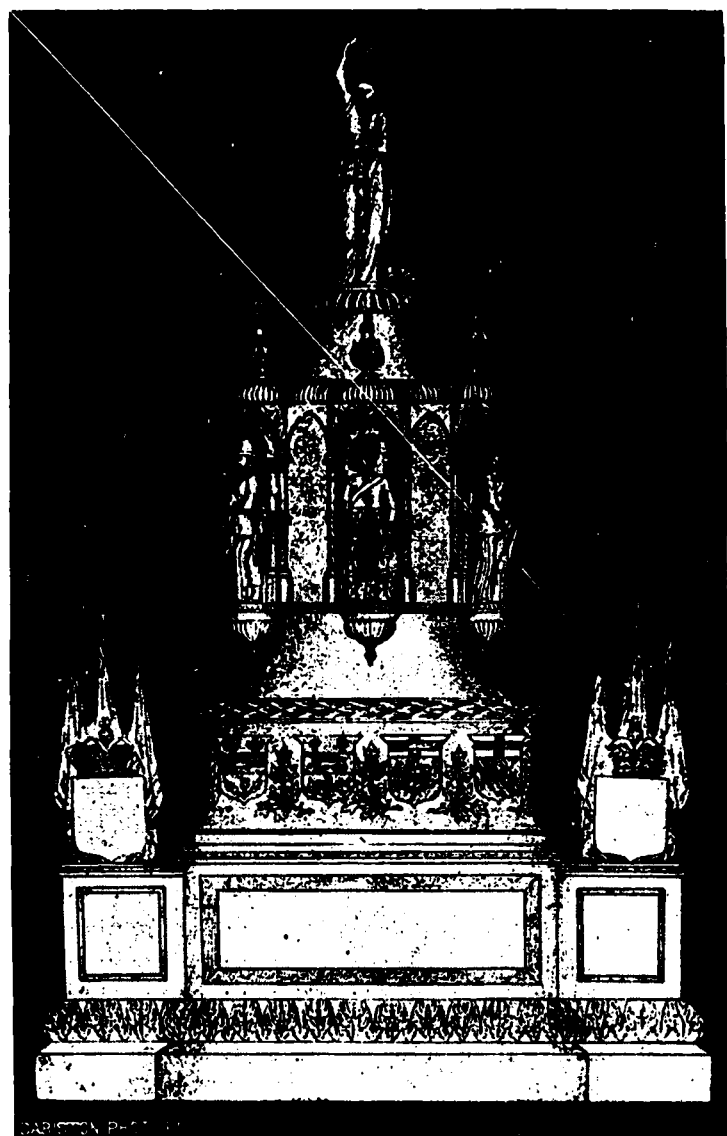
	64-pr., 18; 20-pr., 39.	Aggregate, 57.
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MONTREAL BRIGADE.

No. 1 Battery	64-pr., 17; 20-pr., 3.	Aggregate, 20.
No. 2 Battery	64-pr., 34; 20-pr., 5.	" 39.
No. 3 Battery	64-pr., 40; 20-pr., 43.	" 92.
No. 4 Battery	64-pr., 17; 20-pr., 29.	" 46.
No. 5 Battery	64-pr., 38; 20-pr., 49.	" 87.
No. 6 Battery	64-pr., 12; 20-pr., 12.	" 24.

The Prize-list will be published in our next issue.

Lord Wolseley has issued an order directing that "God save the Queen" be sung by the band and choir in all military churches at the conclusion of the parade services on Sundays and Christmas Day.



THE CARSLAKE TROPHY.

Won by the Royal Grenadiers, Toronto, at recent matches of the Province of Quebec Rifle Association.

Province of Quebec Rifle Association.

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Provincial Rifle Association of Quebec was commenced on the 9th inst. at the ranges at Cote St. Luc, near Montreal. The conditions were unfortunately not favorable, and from first to last the shooting was interfered with by most unsatisfactory weather. Rain and storm prevailed with very short intermission, and in view of these circumstances it must be conceded that the competitors did splendidly. There was a large entry list, the corps represented being as follows:—B. Battery, No. 3 Company, C.L.R.; Fifth and 6th Cavalry, Durham and Guelph Field Batteries, Montreal Garrison Artillery, the Guards, Prince of Wales Rifles, Victoria Rifles, Second, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth, Tenth, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Twentieth, Forty-third, Forty-fourth, Forty-seventh, Fifty-fifth, Fifty-sixth, Fifty-ninth, Seventy-ninth and Eighty-fifth Battalions.

The names of the officers in charge of the meeting were as follows:

- Executive Officer—Lieut.-Col. Mattice, Brigade Major.
- Range Officers—Capt. Young, C.R.L., Major Hodgins, G.G.F.G., Capt. Edwards, R.L.
- Statistical Officers—Major Walsh, Mr. C. Jackson.
- Finance—Major Radiger, Victoria Rifles; Major D'Orsonens, 85th Batt.
- Surgeon—Dr. Bell, 6th Fusiliers.
- Quartermaster—Captain and Adjutant Lydon, 5th Royal Scots.
- Secretary—Major Blaiklock.
- Orderly Staff Sergeant—T. C. Elliott.
- Chief Clerk—Norman Fletcher.
- N. C. Officers Staff, Sergt. Munn, Royal Scots (quartermaster); Sergt. Blackford (armorer), Sergt. Smith (registrar); Sergt. Tabb, (marker).

The meeting was admirably conducted and ran, climatic conditions alone excepted, without a hitch.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Council was held on Wednes-

day, the 10th, the following being elected officers for the year:—

- Sir Donald Smith, president.
- Vice-presidents—Lieut.-Col. Martin, R.L., Lieut.-Col. Brosseau, R.L., Major E. A. Jones, R.L., Hon. John McIntosh.
- Secretary—Major Blaiklock.
- Executive Members of Council—Col. McLaren, 50th; Major Bond, R.L., Major Blaiklock, R. S., Capt. Sims, V.R.C., Capt. Busted, V.R.C., Lieut. Spearing, 53rd.
- Life Members—Capt. Sims, Capt. S. M. Rogers, Major Ibbotson.

The successive matches showed the following results:

THE NURSERY STAKES.

The first event was the Nursery stakes, open to all members of the P.Q.R.A. who have never won an individual prize at any provincial or Dominion match; range 500 yards; number of rounds, 7; rifle, Snider, Government pattern; position, any, with head to target; number of prizes, 15.

\$15	Buglar Broadhurst, Royal Scots	33
10	Pte. Rinfret, 55th	26
7	Sergt. W. H. McEwan, 43rd	26
5	Pte. T. Bertram, 13th	25
5	Gunner Finlayson, M. G. A.	25
4	Staff-Sergt. Belcourt, Vies.	23
4	Pte. H. J. North, 5th R.S.	22
4	G. W. Carter, M. R. A.	22
4	Pte. W. A. Bangs, 43rd	21
4	Capt. Finlayson, M. R. A.	20
4	Sergt. Lanigan, Vies.	20
4	Lieut. A. A. Fages, R. C. I.	19
4	Staff-Sergt. C. E. Lang, B Battery	18
4	Staff-Sergt. W. Fellowes, B Battery	18
4	Pte. G. Lamb, 43rd	16

FRONTIER, SERIES A.

Open to all members of P.Q.R.A. Range 500 yards; 7 shots; Snider rifle. 35 prizes.

\$20	Gunner J. Cole, M. G. A.	33
15	Col.-Sergt. L. J. Taylor, 43rd	33
12	Pte. O. Rinfret, 55th	32
10	Staff-Sergt. Rolston, 20th	32
8	Pte. T. Bertram, 13th	32
7	Piper Sergt. J. Clarke, Royal Scots	31
6	Sergt. E. Skedden, 13th	31
6	Staff-Sergt. G. Brooks, 10th R.G.	31
6	Staff-Sergt. J. Ogg, 1st F.A.	31
6	Staff-Sergt. Dent, 10th R.G.	31
6	Sergt. H. Marris, 13th	31
5	Capt. McMicking, 44th	30
5	Lieut. W. H. Davidson, 8th R.R.	30
5	Corpl. J. Y. Clarke, 3rd V.R.	30
5	Lieut.-Col. Starke, 3rd V.R.	30
5	Sergt. W. R. McEwan, 43rd	30
5	Pte. W. A. Smith, 5th R.S.	30
4	Gunner W. Pugh, B Battery	30
4	Pte. K. Mathews, Queen's Own	29
4	Pte. D. Smith, Royal Scots	29
4	Sergt. G. Thomson, 12th	29
4	Lieut. Elliot, 12th	29
4	Staff-Sergt. B. E. Hanna, 56th	29
4	Lieut. E. Desbarats, R. L.	29
4	B. S. M. Dowker, M. G. A.	29
4	Staff-Sergt. Donnelly, Queen's Own	29
4	Lieut. G. W. Runions, 50th	29
4	Lieut. Curran, 12th	29
4	Lieut. Spearing, 53rd	29
4	Pte. C. Windatt, 10th	28
4	Sergt. A. S. Kennedy, 47th	28
4	Gunner G. W. Sharpe, M. G. A.	28
4	Capt. Mercer, Queen's Own	28
4	Buglar Broadhurst, Royal Scots	28
4	Major L. Thomas, 54th	28

FRONTIER, SERIES B.

Open to members P. Q. R. A. who have never won a prize over \$5 at any Dominion or Provincial meeting; number of prizes 15. Fired in conjunction with Series A.

\$15	Col-Sergt. R. J. Taylor, 43rd	33
10	Pte. O. Rinfret, 55th	32
7	Pte. T. Bertram, 13th	32
5	Staff-Sergt. G. Brooks, 10th	31

5—Lieut-Col. Starke, Vics	30
4—Sergt. A. R. McEwan, 43rd.....	30
4—B. S. M. Dowker, M. G. A.....	29
4—Lieut. G. W. Runions, 59th.....	29
4—Bugler Broadhurst, 5th.....	28
4—Col-Sergt. J. W. Bangs, 1st.....	28
4—Lieut. Geo. Hall, 5th Cav.....	27
4—Staff-Sergt. C. E. Long, B. Battery.....	27
4—Corp. Morrice, 6th.....	26
4—Gunner T. Sharpe, M. G. A.....	26
4—Pte. McGillivray, 43rd.....	26

MILITARY

Competed for by sections of five officers, N. C. officers or men from any militia corps affiliated with the P. Q. R. A.

First Series (skirmishing), distance from about 500 yards to about 200 yards, number of rounds 10; size of target 4 feet by 2 feet 6 inches, divided into three belts, the lower belt 15 inches deep, scoring 5 points, the centre belt 10 inches deep, scoring 3 points, the upper belt 5 inches deep, scoring 2 points, the targets exposed for 15 seconds at a time; two targets allowed for each section.

\$30—43rd Batt.....	127
25—10th Batt. Royal Grenadiers.....	125
20—12th Batt.....	123
15—3rd Batt. Victoria Rifles.....	98

Second series (volley firing), to be competed for by the same sections and the same size of targets as first series, volleys by command of the captain of the team, distance 300 yards, number of rounds 5, position kneeling in single rank.

\$20—10th Batt. Royal Grenadiers.....	91
15—Queen's Own Rifles.....	78
10—Montreal Garrison Artillery.....	70

AGGREGATE.

Houghton Challenge Cup.

Presented by Lieut.-Col. Houghton, D. A. G., for highest aggregate team score made in the two series of the above "Military" match.

Won by 10th Battalion Royal Grenadiers, 216 points.

ACTIVE MILITIA AND BATTALION MATCH.

Open to efficient members of the active militia, being members of the P. Q. R. A. Ranges, 200, 500, and 600 yards; 7 shots at each Snider rifle. Number of prizes, 35 individual and 4 team. Value, cash, \$281, and Dolan cup, which is restricted to active militia of the Province of Quebec, to be won twice in five years.

Dolan Cup		Pte. D. Smith, Royal Scots.....	88
and			
\$25		Lieut. Spearing, 53rd.....	88
20			
15		Lieut. Davidson, 8th.....	87
10			
10		Sergt. Drysdale, M. G. A.....	85
10			
8		Pte. Perkins, 43rd.....	84
8			
8		Lieut. Elliott, 12th.....	84
8			
5		Sergt. Clarke, 53rd.....	84
5			
5		Staff-Sergt Lavers, 6th.....	82
5			
5		Pte. Bertram, 13th.....	81
5			
5		Gunner T. Pugh, "B" Battery.....	81
5			
5		Sergt. Robson, 20th.....	81
5			
5		Pte. K. Matthews, 20th.....	81
5			
5		Lieut. Mitchell, 12th.....	80
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5		Staff-Sergt. McVittie, R. G.....	80
5			
5		Staff-Sergt. Bell, M. G. A.....	80
5			
5		Gunner W. Pugh, "B" Battery.....	80
5			
5		Sergt. T. Westman, Q. O. R.....	79
4			
4		Corpl. J. A. Fraser, 8th.....	79
4			
4		Pte. McAfee, 3rd Vics.....	78
4			
4		Capt. Rogers, 43rd.....	78
4			
4		Staff-Sergt. Armstrong, G. G. F. G.....	78
4			
4		Pte. Moodie, 43rd.....	78
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4		Sergt. Kimmerley, 47th.....	77
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4		Capt. Mercer, Q. O. R.....	77
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4		Color-Sergt. E. Pratt, 6th.....	77
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4		Color-Sergt. J. Currie, Scots.....	77
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4		Color-Sergt. J. W. Marks, 6th.....	77
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4		Color-Sergt. Fowler, R. G.....	77
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4		Lieut. Brown, 3rd Vics.....	77
4			
4		Staff-Sergt. Dent, R. G.....	76
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4		Gunner Sharpe, M. G. A.....	76
4			
4		Lieut-Col. Macpherson, A. D. C.....	76
4			
4		Sergt. E. Skedden, 13th.....	76
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4—Capt. McKay, 44th.....	76
4—Sergt. Hall, 79th.....	75

TEAM PRIZES.

For the aggregate scores in the above competition of six previously named officers, non-commissioned officers, or men of any battalion in the Dominion, being affiliated with the P. Q. R. A.

\$24—Queen's Own Rifles.....	444
18—10th R. G.....	441
12—6th Fusiliers.....	437
9—Montreal Garrison Artillery.....	433

The City of Montreal Jubilee Challenge trophy, presented by the Corporation of Montreal on the occasion of Her Majesty's Jubilee to the Montreal Brigade of Active Militia, goes to the 6th Fusiliers.

MERCHANTS.

Open to all members of P.Q.R.A. Range 600 yards, 10 shots: rifle—Martini-Henry.

\$25		Capt. Milligan, D.F.B.....	46
Engraving			
\$20		Bugler Broadhurst, R. Scots.....	44
15			
15		Gunner Pugh, "B" Battery.....	43
10			
10		Lieut.-Col. Wright, 43rd.....	43
6			
6		Staff-Sergt. McVittie, R. G.....	42
5			
5		Capt. Rennie, Q. O. R.....	42
5			
5		Lieut. Pope, 3rd Vics.....	42
5			
5		Pte. Kambery, R. Scots.....	42
5			
5		Sergt. Riddle, 6th.....	42
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5		Sergt. Short, G. G. F. G.....	41
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5		Col-Sergt. Taylor, 43rd.....	41
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5		Capt. Rogers, 43rd.....	41
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5		Staff-Sergt. Simpson, 12th.....	41
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5		Staff-Sergt. Rolston, 20th.....	41
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5		Staff-Sergt. A. Bell, 12th.....	41
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4		Sergt. Corrigan, 59th.....	40
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4		Staff-Sergt. Dent, R. G.....	40
4			
4		Lieut. Mitchell, 12th.....	39
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4		Sergt. Pratt, 6th.....	39
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4		Staff-Sergt. Donnelly, Q. O. R.....	39
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4		Staff-Sergt. Brown, 59th.....	39
4			
4		Capt. McMicking, 44th.....	39
4			
4		Sergt. Thorn, Q. O. R.....	39
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4		Pte. Moodie, 43rd.....	39
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4		Lieut. Brown, 3rd Vics.....	30
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THE CARSLAKE.

Open to efficient members of the Active Militia of the Dominion of Canada, the staff and officers who have retired retaining their rank being members of the P. Q. R. A. Ranges, 200, 400, and 600 yards. Seven shots at each distance. Rifle Snider. Position at 200 yards, standing; at 400 yards, prone, with head to target; 600 yards, any position.

Individual Prizes.

\$25—Pte. D. Smith, Royal Scots.....	93
20—Pte. Mathews, Q. O. R.....	88
15—Staff-Sergt. Ogg, G. F. B.....	88
10—Sergt. Riddle, 6th.....	87
10—Lieut. Andrews, Royal Scots.....	87
8—Col-Sergt. Fowler, R. G.....	87
8—Lieut. Spearing, 53rd.....	85
5—Capt. Bruce, R. G.....	85
5—Gunner T. Pugh, B Battery.....	85
5—Lieut. Mitchell, 12th.....	85
5—Sergt. Hall, 79th.....	84
5—Lieut. Desbarats, R. L.....	84
5—Staff-Sergt. D. Mitchell, 13th.....	83
5—Pte. T. Scott, 6th.....	83
5—Sergt. Marris, 13th.....	83
5—Capt. Milligan, D. F. B.....	83
5—Pte. Windatt, 10th R. G.....	83
4—Staff-Sergt. Lavers, 6th.....	82
5—Staff-Sergt. McVittie, 10th R. G.....	82
4—Lieut. Elliott, 12th.....	82
4—Sergt. Drysdale, M. G. A.....	81
4—Gunner W. Pugh, B. Battery.....	81
4—Staff-Sergt. Rolston, 20th.....	81
4—Major Thomas, 54th.....	81
4—Capt. Mercer, Q. O. R.....	80
4—Staff-Sergt. Bell, M. G. A.....	80

4—Capt Busted, 3rd Vics.....	80
4—Sergt. Thorne, Q. O. R.....	80
4—Staff-Sergt. Brooks, 10th R. G.....	79
4—Pte. Rinfret, 55th.....	79
4—Sergt. Weston, Q. O. R.....	78
4—Pte. Lamb, 43rd.....	78
4—Capt. Rennie, Q. O. R.....	78
4—Pte. Bertram, 13th.....	78
4—Col.-Sergt. Marks, 6th.....	78

Team Prizes.

The Carslake trophy, presented by Mr. George Carslake of Montreal, for annual competition at the P. Q. R. A. matches. Open to the active Militia of the Dominion of Canada. Value \$500. For the aggregate scores in the above competition of eight previously named officers, non-commissioned officers, or men of any battalion or corps in the Dominion, being affiliated with the P. Q. R. A. These competitors must be efficient members of the corps they represent, and be certified as such by their commanding officer.

\$30 and Carslake Trophy,)	Royal Grenadiers.....	630
\$25	Queen's Own Rifles.....	627
20	43rd Battalion.....	598
15	6th Fusiliers.....	584
10	5th Royal Scots.....	574

MARTINI-HENRY.

Open to all members of the P.Q.R.A.; range, 500 yards; 10 shots; rifle, Martini-Henry; 25 prizes.

\$20	Staff-Sergt. Rolston, 20th.....	47
15	Sergt. E. Skedding, 13th.....	46
10	Gunner Pugh, "B" Battery.....	46
6	Lieut. H. Pope, 3rd Vics.....	46
5	Sergt. H. Marris, 13th.....	46
5	Lieut. Moffat, 70th.....	46
5	Staff-Sergt. J. Bell, M.G.A.....	45
5	Lieut.-Col. Wright, 43rd.....	45
5	Gunner W. Pugh, "B" Battery.....	45
5	Pte. C. Windatt, 10th R.G.....	45
5	Colour-Sergt. W. G. Fowler, 10th R.G.....	45
5	Pte. R. Moodie, 43rd.....	44
5	Staff-Sergt. Simpson, 12th.....	43
5	Pte. R. McAfee, 3rd Vics.....	43
4	Capt. Rogers, 43rd.....	43
4	Sergt.-Major Gorman, 3rd Vics.....	43
4	Sergt. J. O. Thorne, Q.O.R.....	43
4	Sergt. Short, G.G.F.G.....	43
4	Colour-Sergt. J. Currie, 5th R. Scots.....	43
4	Lieut. Elliott, 12th.....	43
4	Sergt. J. Drysdale, M.G.A.....	43
4	Staff-Sergt. G. Lavers, 6th.....	42
4	Pte. R. Kough, 3rd Vics.....	42
4	Colour-Sergt. J. G. Clarke, 3rd Vics.....	42
4	Lieut. Curran, 12th.....	42

THE ASSOCIATION MATCH.

Open to all members of the P.Q.R.A.; ranges, 500 and 700 yards; 7 shots at each; rifle, Martini-Henry; prizes, 35 individual and 6 team.

Individual Prizes.

\$20	Staff-Sergt. J. Dent, R.G.....	63
15	Capt. W. P. Milligan, D.F.B.....	60
10	Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A.....	60
8	Pte. C. S. Scott, 43rd.....	59
8	Staff-Sergt. Armstrong, G.G.F.G.....	59
5	Capt. Mercer, Q.O.R.....	59
5	Pte. C. A. Windatt, R.G.....	58
5	Colour-Sergt. Fowler, R.G.....	58
5	Sergt. T. Westman, Q.O.R.....	57
5	Lieut.-Col. Macpherson, A.D.C.....	57
5	Staff-Sergt. J. K. Fairbairn, 12th.....	57
5	Pte. W. L. Ross, 13th.....	57
5	Pte. T. Scott, 6th Fusiliers.....	57
5	Bugler Porteous, 50th.....	56
5	Bugler Broadhurst, 5th R.S.....	56
4	Sergt. Marris, 13th.....	56
4	Lieut. Moffat, 70th.....	56
4	Pte. Lyon, 43rd.....	56
4	Staff-Sergt. Donnelly, Q.O.R.....	56
4	Gunner W. Pugh, "B" Battery.....	56

4—Pte. J. Scott, 6th Fusiliers.....	56
4—Lieut. Elliott, 12th Batt.....	55
4—Lieut. Desbarats, R.L.....	55
4—Staff-Sergt. Simpson, 12th Batt.....	55
4—Lieut. Spearing, 53rd.....	55
4—Sergt. E. Skidden, 13th.....	55
4—Colour-Sergt. E. Pratt, 6th.....	55
4—Staff-Sergt. Davidson, 12th.....	55
4—Trooper Edwards, 5th Cavalry.....	55
4—Capt. McMicking, 44th.....	55
4—Sergt. D. Bethune, 5th R.S.....	55
4—Corp. J. Clark, 3rd Vics.....	54
4—Staff-Sergt. Bell, M.G.A.....	54
4—Pte. J. McVittie, R.G.....	54
4—Pte. G. L. Perkins, 43rd.....	54

Team Prizes.

For the aggregate scores of five previously named members of any affiliated rifle association, who must be certified to as having been members previous to 1st July. The silver cup to become the property of any association winning it twice consecutively.

\$30 and cup	Victoria Rifle Club.....	270
25	Royal Grenadiers.....	275
18	Montreal Rifle Association.....	268
24	Queen's Own Rifles.....	265
10	5th Royal Scots.....	262
5	6th Fusiliers.....	260

AGGREGATES.

First series, Individual. For aggregate scores, in matches 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8.	
N.R.A. Medal	Pte. Smith, 5th R.S..... 200
Special Badge	
Cash \$10.	Lieut. Spearing, 53rd Batt..... 203
D.C.R.A.	
Silver Medal	Capt Milligan, D.F.B..... 200
Cash \$10.	
\$10	Gunner W. Pugh, B Battery..... 200
D.C.R.A.	
Bronze Medal	Staff-Sergt. Robson, 30th Battalion..... 288
Cash \$6.	
\$ 5	Staff-Sergt. Dent, 10th Royals..... 287
5	Pte. K. Matthews, Q.O.R..... 286
5	Lieut. Elliott, 12th York Rangers..... 285
5	Staff-Sergt. Ogg, G.F.B..... 278
5	Capt. Mercer, Q.O.R..... 278
5	Sergt. Marris, 13th Battalion..... 276
D.R.A. Medal	Staff-Sergt. Bell, M.G.A..... 276
Cash \$5.	
\$ 5	Sergt. Riddle, 6th Fusiliers..... 276
5	Staff-Sergt. McVittie, 10th Royals..... 276
5	Corp. C. Windatt, 10th Royals..... 274

Nursery Aggregate, Individual Series "A."

\$ 8	Bugler Broadhurst, Royal Scots.....	297
6	Pte. Bertram, 13th Battalion.....	296
5	Pte. McGillivray, 43rd Battalion.....	256
4	Pte. Lamb, 43rd Battalion.....	235
4	Pte. Quincey, 43rd Battalion.....	209

Second series—Martini-Henry Challenge Shield; only one entry, 43rd second team, who win the prize with a score of 1,107, winning the shield and \$15.

Third series—Teams; for the aggregate scores in the Frontier, Active militia, Merchants, Carslake and Association matches of five previously named members of any association.

Silver Cup	Royal Grenadiers.....	1352
Cash \$20		
\$15	Victoria Rifle Club, Hamilton.....	1350
10	6th Fusiliers.....	1340

Fourth series—Governor-General's medals; for the best aggregates in matches 4, 5, 6 and 8 at 600 yards.

Silver Medal	Lieut. Spearing, 53rd Battalion.....	121
Bronze Medal	Pte. D. Smith, 5th Royal Scots.....	120

Fifth series—The Lieutenant-Governor's silver medal for the best aggregate of matches 2, 4, 6 and 8 at 500 yards.
Pte. D. Smith, Royal Scots..... 91

EXTRA SERIES.

500 yards, 5 shots. Rifle, Snider or Martini. Unlimited entries; one score only to count.

\$20	Staff-Sergt. J. H. Simpson, 12th	25
10	Lieut.-Col. Macpherson, A. D. C.	25
10	Staff-Sergt. J. A. Armstrong, G. G. F. G.	25
10	Capt. S. M. Rogers, 43rd	25
5	Lieut. Pringle, Grenadiers	25
5	Pte. R. Moodie, 43rd	25
5	Capt. Mercer, Q. O. R.	24

The following received prizes in kind:

Pte. R. McAfee, Vics.	24
Staff-Sergt. Ogg, G. F. Artillery	24
Gunner T. Pugh, B Battery	24
Sergt. R. Corrigan, 59th	24
Sergt. Hall, 79th Batt.	24
Capt. Milligan, D. F. B.	24
Lieut. Elliott, 12th York	24
Sergt. McLaren, Queen's Own	24
Sergt. Sriver, 6th Fusiliers	24
Lieut. Davidson, 8th Royals	24
Lieut. T. Mitchell, 12th	24
Staff-Sergt. Macrae, Vics	24
Staff-Sergt. D. Mitchell, 13th	24
Staff-Sergt. Belcourt, Vics	24
Captain McMicking, 44th	23

Lieut. Andrews and Major Ibbotson tied for last prize with 23 points.

600 yards, 5 shots. Rifle, Snider or Martini. Unlimited entries; one score only to count.

Pte. D. Smith, Royal Scots	25
Staff-Sergt. McCrae, Vics	25
Bugler Broadhurst, Royal Scots	24
Staff-Sergt. D. Mitchell, 13th	24
Sergt. Sriver, 6th Fusiliers	23
Staff-Sergt. J. Rolston, 20th	23
Sergt. J. Drysdale, M. G. A.	23
Pte. W. L. Ross, 13th	23
Staff-Sergt. Simpson, 12th	22
Staff-Sergt. D. H. Brown, 59th	22
Pte. Rousseau, 55th	22
Pte. R. Moodie, 43rd	22
Capt. Milligan, D. F. B.	22
Troop. Edwards, 5th Cav.	22
Lieut. W. M. Andrews, Royal Scots	22
Sergt. McLaren, Queen's Own	22
Lieut. Cartwright, 47th	22
Lieut. Pope, Vics	22
Lieut. Davidson, 8th Royals	22
Corp. Hawkins, 8th Royals	22
Sergt. Thompson, 12th	21
Staff-Sergt. G. Lavers, 6th Fusiliers	21
Lieut. Mitchell, 12th	21

LONG RANGE MATCH.

Ranges 800 and 900 yards, 7 shots at each. Rifles, Martini-Henry. Open only to the twelve highest aggregates in the Martini matches. Five prizes. Those eligible to compete were:

Capt. Milligan, D. F. B.	147
Gunner W. Pugh, B Battery	144
Lieut.-Col. Wright, 43rd Batt.	141
Staff-Sergt. Rolston, 20th Batt.	141
Bugler Broadhurst, 5th R. S.	139
Staff-Sergt. Simpson, 12th Batt.	139
Staff-Sergt. Dent, R. G.	138
Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B. F. A.	138
Staff-Sergt. Marris, 13th Batt.	138
Sergt. Short, G. G. F. G.	138
Lieut. Pope, 3rd Vics	137
Staff-Sergt. Armstrong, G. G. F. G.	136

The match resulted as follows:

	800 yds.	900 yds.	Total.
\$12-- Staff-Sergt. Armstrong, G. G. F. G.	31	21	52
10 Capt. Milligan, D. F. B.	24	27	51
8 Staff-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B. F. A.	28	23	57
6 Gr. W. Pugh, B Batt.	27	21	48
4 Staff-Sergt. Rolston, 20th Batt.	24	18	42

REVOLVER MATCH.

Open to all members. Range 25 yards, 7 rounds. Position, standing, off-hand. Revolver, any, not exceeding 7½ inches in length of barrel. Entries unlimited, one score only to count. Six prizes.

\$10—Sergt. Hall, 79th Batt.	42
5—Capt. Mercer, Q. O. R.	39
4—Capt. McMicking, 44th	36
3—Sergt. Thompson, 12th Batt.	34
2—Capt. Rennie, Q. O. R.	33
1—Lieut. Crean, Q. O. R.	33

A QUESTION FOR MONTREAL ANTIQUARIANS.

Mr. David Fitzgerald, Librarian of the U.S. War Department Library, Washington, writes as follows to the *Army and Navy Gazette*, London:

I have in my possession a miniature portrait of a British officer that I would be very glad indeed to give to any relative or descendant of his, could such be found. I therefore have taken the liberty of writing to you, thinking that through the aid of your well-known journal some person interested in, or having knowledge of, the officer in question, might communicate with me. The miniature portrait is that of a Capt. Jackson, of the British Army, who about 1816 or 1818 married a lady in Montreal. She belonged to the old French noblesse, but her name is unknown to me. Not long after 1818 Capt. Jackson sailed for England, but his wife remained in Montreal. He never returned, and his wife died in 1840 or thereabouts. She was a near relative of the wife of Admiral Daniel Ammen, U.S. Navy, and the miniature was given me by Admiral Ammen, who found it among his wife's effects after her death, and he is anxious that it may reach some one who would have a claim to possess it. The picture is in an oval red morocco frame, about three in. by two and a half in., and is a work of art. The officer is in a red double-breasted coat, with a high yellow collar and a gold epaulette. There seems to be no insignia on the collar denoting rank, but a gold cord seems to make the collar appear double. If, through your medium, any person can be found that will properly claim the miniature, I will gladly forward the same.

(It would be very difficult, if not quite impossible, to ascertain, from the statements in the above letter, the identity of the Capt. Jackson, to whom the letter refers. The *army lists* of the period contain the names of many Jacksons, and in that of 1816 there are seven Captains of that name. Of these only three belonged to regiments with red coats and yellow facings, the colours shown in the miniature; Capt. Edward Jackson, of the 20th, Capt. Francis Jackson of the 37th, and Capt. John Jackson of the 37th. The 20th were in Ireland in 1816; the 57th were in Canada in August 1814, but left that country in July, 1815; but the 37th are shown as serving in Canada from 1814 to 1825. From the meagre information in the letter and in this note, the balance of probability seems to be in favour of Capt. Francis Jackson of the 37th, who went on half-pay in May, 1817, and was appointed to the 85th Light Infantry in April, 1825, as the officer depicted in the miniature. British officers will appreciate our correspondent's kindness in making such a generous offer. Ed. A. & N. G.)

The Challenge cup which has been presented to the Dominion Rifle Association by Messrs. Hiram Walker & Sons, of Walkerville, for competition by battalion teams is valued at \$500. Messrs. Walker propose to give a smaller cup, value \$25, annually, which will become the property of the highest individual scorer in the battalion match.

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The Lords of the Admiralty have granted permission under special warrant, to Canadian registered vessels to wear the red ensign of Her Majesty's fleet with the Canadian coat of arms on the fly. The area of shield on which the arms are emblazoned is not to exceed one-fourth the area of the Union Jack, and be placed centrally in that part of the flag which is beyond the Jack.

DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEETING, 1892.

The programme for the D. R. A. matches commencing 29th inst. is out, and will be read with keen interest by all riflemen. It is to be regretted that it is marred by so many typographical errors. A summary of the events and prizes has already appeared in this journal (page 211), so it is unnecessary to go again into the details; it will suffice to say that there are 26 competitions, with cash prizes aggregating \$7351, as well as many cups, trophies, and badges. No such prize-list and inducements to rifle shooting have ever yet been put before the Canadian Militia. The event cannot fail to materially aid that branch of military work which is without doubt the most important one for our troops to become proficient in.

We understand that the following officers will be on duty:

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, Major Hodgins, G. G. F. G.;

RANGE OFFICER, Lieut.-Col. Jones, 38th Batt.; Major Heron, G. G. F. G.; Capt. Aumond, R. L.; Capt. Hopkins, 45th Batt.; Capt. Mutton, Q. O. R.; Capt. Taylor, G. G. F. G.; Capt. Edwards, R. L.; Lieut. Taylor, G. G. F. G.; Lieut. Brown, P. L. D. G.

A feature of the meeting will be the following two competitions in connection with the Military Rifle League:—

BOWELL SHARPSHOOTERS TROPHY—Presented by Lt.-Col. the Hon. Mackenzie Bowell, Minister of Militia and Defence.—This trophy is open to those belonging to a Battalion or Association who have had a team or teams entered in the League of 1892 and is to be won by the highest individual score in the Snider Aggregate (exclusive of the Standing Match). Entrance fee, 50 cents, to go towards making a series of prizes for this match, the first of which will be the trophy. Entries to be made to the secretary of the league on the ground, not to the Secy. D. R. A.

THE PRESIDENT'S PRIZE—Presented by Lt.-Col. The Hon. J. M. Gibson, President of League. Open to teams of ten men, from any Battalion having teams entered in the League, 1892. To be won by the aggregate scores of the highest ten men from any Battalion or Association in the Snider aggregate (exclusive of the Standing Match). It will be necessary to name seven of the men previously. Entrance free. Entries to be made with Secretary of League, Toronto, on or before August 27th inst.

The Annual Meeting of the League will be held at Ottawa on Monday evening, 29th inst., not 30th as stated in D. R. A. programme. For the matches, Major Delamere, the Secretary, will take entries at his hotel from Saturday until Monday, or on the ranges on Monday.

PERSONAL.

Capt. Pollock, of No. 2 Company, 27th Batt., has been presented with a fine solid gold Masonic ring by the members of his company.

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There was a quiet little wedding in St. John's Church, Toronto, on 11th inst., the principals being Sergt. Hollinger, instructor of the 48th Highlanders, and Miss Marie Louise Love. Sergt. Hollinger's many friends wish him much joy and happiness.

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Mr. J. W. Trendell, formerly bandmaster of "A" Battery Kingston, was married in Christ Church, Vancouver, B.C., the other day. The bride was Miss Sophie Frances Rogers, of Killaloe, Tipperary, Ireland, granddaughter of the late Col. Rogers.

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Colonel John Cole, who resided in St. Thomas for many years until about thirteen years ago, died in New York recently, aged 60. He commanded the St. Thomas Troop of Cavalry on the frontier during the Fenian raid of 1866, and took a leading part in organizing the First Regiment of Cavalry, whose colonelcy he held until about a year ago, when he removed to New York from London, Ont. He was enthusiastic and successful as a military man.

At a recent meeting of the Calgary Council, Corp. Williams, of the North-West Mounted Police, was appointed town constable. Mr. Williams has had a large experience both in military and police work, having been some time in the Royal Irish Rifles and eight years in the Secret Service at Halifax. In addition to this he has been for some three years in the North West Mounted Police, and has won the commendation of his officers by diligent and faithful discharge of his duties.

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The funeral of the late Paymaster Alfred Labbé, of the Temiscouata Battalion, who died suddenly a few days ago, took place on 12th inst., to St. Roch's Church, Quebec, and was largely attended. The coffin was laid on one of the "B" Battery nine pounder gun carriages, drawn by six horses and preceded by the "B" Battery Band, which during the march to the church and cemetery, played funeral marches. The pall-bearers were Captains Talbot, De Guise and Evan-turel, of the Ninth Battalion, Charles Dunn, of the Eighth, Delane Roy, of the Eighty-Seventh, and Captain Morgan, of the Quebec Garrison Artillery. The Ninth Battalion and Captain Boulanger's Battery were represented by squads of their respective corps.

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Major-General Sir G. B. Wolseley, K.C.B., just promoted, is a younger brother of Viscount Wolseley, Commander of the Forces in Ireland. He has a long record of active service, from the days of the Indian mutiny, when he was engaged in the suppression of the rebellion in the Shahabad district, and more recently in the Afghan war of 1879-80, and in the Egyptian, Soudan, and Burmese expeditions. As Brigadier-General in Upper Burmah he has been one of the chief instruments in the pacification of the recently acquired province.

BALACLAVA, 1854.

The charge of the Light Brigade has seldom been related from the Russian point of view, but here are the recollections of a Russian major of Hussars, as published recently in a Russian paper:—We were so sorry for them, they were such fine fellows, and had such splendid horses. It was the maddest thing that ever was done. I can't understand it. They broke through our lines, took our artillery, and then, instead of capturing our guns and making off with them, they went for us. I had been in charge of the heavy brigade in the morning and was slightly wounded. We had all unsaddled and were very tired. Suddenly we were told 'The English are coming.' 'Confound them,' we said. My colonel was very angry, and ordered his men to give no quarter. I was lying at some distance with my wound bandaged when I saw them coming. They came on magnificently. We thought they were drunk from the way they held their lances. Instead of holding them under their arms they waved them in the air, and of course they were easier to guard against like that. The men were mad. They never seemed to think of the tremendous odds against them, or of the frightful carnage that had taken place in their ranks in the course of that long desperate ride. They dashed in among us, shouting, cheering, and cursing. I never saw anything like it. They seemed perfectly irresistible, and our fellows were quite demoralised. The fatal mistake we made in the morning was to receive the charge of the English Heavy Brigade standing, instead of meeting it with a countershock. We had so many men that had we continued our charge downhill instead of calling a halt at the critical moment, we should have carried everything before us. 'The charge of the Heavy Brigade was magnificent, but they had to thank our bad management for the victory. We liked the English. When our men took prisoners they used to give them our Vodka, and they used to offer us their rum in exchange, but we did not care for it, it was too soft and mild. The Russian soldier must have his Vodka.' *Army and Navy Gazette.*

MILITARY BALLADS.

I.

MARCHING OUT.

ON THE DEPARTURE OF THE LAST BRITISH TROOPS FROM QUEBEC.

(From *The Canadian Monthly*, 1872.)

At evening the flag of the brave was unfurled
On the Citadel famous in story,
And the war drum whose notes run with day round the
world
Beat its heart-stirring summons to glory.

But the flag in the sunset seemed sadly to wave,
And the drum's martial tone spoke of sorrow;
And we mournfully breathed our farewell to the brave,
For we knew they must part on the morrow.

Knew the dawn must behold the last gathering, the march
That a bond of a century would sever,
And hear the last echoes as under the arch
The column would tramp forth for ever.

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Long we gazed on the bark as it flew from the shore
And fast on our hearts the thoughts crowded,
Of the light of the past that would guide us no more,
Of the future in darkness shrouded.

Are ye borne to the north, to the south, to the east,
To realms where fresh laurels are growing,
Where new medals are gleaming for victory's breast,
Where empire's bright tide is yet flowing?

Or seek ye in sadness, yet proudly, a land
The sun of whose power is declining,
Like Quebec's granite wall round her weakness to stand
Against rivals their armies combining?

In advance or retreat be your lot what it may,
Duty's wreath still be yours the world over;
May the spirit of Wolfe on the dread battle day
O'er the ranks of his soldiers still hover!

Whom now shall the land ye have shielded so well
From the near-lying foe find to guard her,
When the red line no more is drawn out on the hill,
When the gateway has lost its last warder?

Perchance in your fortress the foeman may stand
And traduce in his triumph your story;
But he never shall silence the rock and the strand
And the river that speak of your glory.

YORK.

THE ROYAL CANADIANS.

The corps in Her Majesty's service in which Canadians should take special interest—the 100th "Royal Canadians," raised here in 1858—now boasts an excellent regimental paper, appropriately called *The Maple Leaf*, and which will, we trust, long flourish. Its editor says:

"Our little paper is now fully fledged, and the *Leaf* has been blown over the world in all directions by the wind of the mail. We are highly gratified to think that our hopes have been realised, viz., that we have received a hearty response to our request for contributors, and the literary talent, hitherto lying dormant, has been awakened. And not only this, but we have received several letters from those whom we deem thoroughly competent to judge, congratulating us on the success of our enterprise. Now, after three years in Agra, we have almost got to the end of our sojourn here. We shall be in Burma now in a very short time, where we hope to see some service, and if such a chance should occur, we are con-

fidant that we will prove ourselves (as our fellow-countrymen have done in the past) worthy of the name of the land to which we belong. Lieut. Kelly has left us for 'field afresh and pastures new,' having been appointed to the 23rd Pioneers at Jhelum as a probationer for the Staff Corps. We cannot allow him to leave the Royal Canadians without placing on record the valuable assistance he has given at the various concerts, entertainments, etc., held from time to time since he joined us about two years since."

THE MEXICAN ARMY.

The *Revista Militar Mexicana* publishes an interesting account of the composition of the Mexican Army. The Army consists at present of three classes—the standing army, the reserve of the standing army, and the general reserve, having a total nominal strength of 160,000 men, viz, infantry, 130,000; cavalry, 26,000; and artillery, 4,000. The Standing Army, distributed over eleven military districts, numbers 40,000 men of all arms, 26,000 of whom belong to the infantry, 8,000 to the cavalry, and the rest to the artillery, engineers, and subsidiary branches of the service. The infantry is armed with the Remington rifle. The Field Artillery is very inadequately armed with some forty 3-15-inch Bange guns and a number of old bronze guns; but steps are to be taken as soon as possible to supply deficiencies with guns which are to be manufactured at the New National Gun Foundry. The infantry are also to receive a fresh armament as soon as arrangement can be made to manufacture a new rifle, the invention of a Mexican Engineer officer. The horses ridden by the cavalry are small, but exceedingly hardy. Mules are mostly employed for draft purposes.

All the establishments connected with the Army have a military organization, and only soldiers are employed in the works. The President of the Republic is the titular Commander-in-chief of the Army, but as a rule he deposes his authority to the Minister of War. The Army is mostly recruited from full-blooded Indians, who are very brave and easily amenable to discipline. As soldiers they are excellent marchers, and are second to no other troops in the world on this score, and in frugality and contentment. When on guard or off duty their appearance is not taking, they appear too indolent and sleepy looking, but on parade they have an excellent appearance, and it is difficult to realize that they are the same men as were loafing about apparently half asleep a few minutes previously. *Volunteer Record*.

MANITOBA PROVINCIAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

August 10th, 11th and 12th are the days on which the Manitoba Provincial Rifle Association will hold their annual match. The large sum of \$1,250 will be distributed in prizes, besides which numerous valuable cups and medals will be shot for. The ten men making the highest aggregate score will be sent to Ottawa to compete in the Dominion matches. The Dominion and provincial grants to the association have now reached the secretary's hands; also the Governor-General's medal. From present indications it is expected that a large gathering will attend the matches, and a most successful three days' shooting is anticipated. The matches will be fired on the Kildonan range, Winnipeg.

THE ARMY.

It speaks well for the stamp of recruits who have lately joined the battalions at Aldershot, that throughout the very arduous marches scarcely a man has gone sick; and when one bears in mind the fact that heavy marches, both by day and night, have had to be accomplished in rapid succession by the troops of the column and also by those remaining at Aldershot, in addition to the ordinary routine of work, it cannot be denied that England has something other than that paper army which has been the burden of the song of our critics time out of mind. —*Broad Arrow*.