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NOTE AND COMMENT.

A noteworthy feature in connection with the annual matches of the York County (N.B.) Rifle Association, published in this issue, is the frequency with which names of members of the Infantry School Corps appear in the prize lists. It has been in the past a reproach to our Permanent Corps that they made no effort to excel or even to attain fair proficiency in rifle shooting, but latterly there has been a change for the better. The Commandant of the Fredericton school takes a great personal interest in rifle shooting, and this fact no doubt largely accounts for the good showing made by his men.

The *Broad Arrow* quotes from a contemporary, with appreciation of its force, an article calling attention to the lack of instruction in the use of the bayonet, the weapon so terribly effective in the hands of the old-time British soldier. The article proceeds:—

“While inventors are busy perfecting the newest thing in bayonets, the British soldier is not being taught how to wield any bayonet at all. The most perfect weapon is useless in unskilled hands, and the average infantry soldier is utterly unskilled in the use of the bayonet. True, he learns a series of guards and points which he performs in a mechanical sort of way, and which are supposed to be a thorough training in the use of the bayonet. Why, nine out of ten men, and perhaps more, have never known what it is to face another man with any weapon, even a dummy bayonet! And yet these men are expected to engage in hand-to-hand fight against the Afghan hillman or the Arab spearman, trained from their youth up to close combat. Going through the ‘bayonet exercise’ will never give men the necessary skill and confidence. Every man should be taught by the experience of practising against his comrade how to defend himself in a hand-to-hand fight.”

While having no expectation of bayonet encounters with Afghan, Arab, or other experts, our militia should be interested in the point stated above. Very few even of the crack corps can show a fair average of proficiency in the use of the bayonet either in the stereotyped movements of the drill book or otherwise, and those having time to spare during the coming winter evenings would find bayonet exercise profitable, not only from a military but also from an athletic standpoint.

The Home Government is about to receive from our Militia Department a report on the defences and fortifications of Canada, prepared some time ago for Imperial information. Lord Salisbury's Administration is preparing military estimates and revising the whole Imperial system of outlay for the purposes of offence and defence, and requires this information from Canada as part of the data for the revision. Major-General Herbert, it is understood, has made a general report to the Imperial Government on the

militia system of the Dominion. The report which is about to be transmitted is a more elaborate one, and covers far more ground with greater particularity of detail.

Remarking upon the source of coal supply for the ships now on duty in Behring sea, the *Army and Navy Gazette* says: “If the rumours of coal with good steaming qualities discovered along the route of the Canadian Pacific should turn out to be well grounded, it will prove of great advantage in such an emergency as this, and afford a fresh illustration of the enormous utility of the Canadian Pacific line for naval requirements. It may not be generally known that, when the Canadian Pacific was opened, a large quantity of naval stores consigned to Esquimalt, for which an urgent requisition had been made, was sent out from the naval yard at Deptford, and formed part of the freight of the first goods train which ran from the Atlantic to the Pacific seaboard on British territory. This railway has again been utilised in a similar way recently for the quick despatch of material and stores unexpectedly required for repairs and refit of ships in the North Pacific.”

The Citadel at Quebec is hereafter to float the Royal Standard on Royal anniversaries, a distinction prescribed by Canadian regulation to but one other place, the residence of the Governor General, the R. and O. saying that “The Royal Standard shall be flown at Government House on the Queen's Birthday, and on the Day of Her Majesty's Ascension and Coronation.” By the Queen's Regulations, the Royal Standard is flown on these anniversaries at certain named citadels garrisoned by the Imperial troops, Halifax being one of these. It will be only natural if the distinction allowed to Quebec by the last General Order is claimed also for the “Royal” Military College, and the “Royal” Schools of Instruction.

The *Kölnische Zeitung* has recently been urging the advantage of increasing the German Army and introducing the “two years' service system,” and has revived the discussion on that question. The *Norddeutsche* reproduces the Rhenish paper's article with evident satisfaction, and hopes much from the discussion. The *Kreuz Zeitung*, on the other hand, regards the shortening of the term of service as a “concession to extreme Liberalism, which would diminish Germany's power of resistance by impairing the thoroughness of her military training.” The most eminent German experts, including the Emperor, are in favour of the change, but His Majesty has hitherto declined to carry it out on account of the enormous expense it would involve.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

[This paper does not necessarily share the views expressed in correspondence published in its columns, the use of which is freely granted to writers on topics of interest to the Militia.]

THE BISLEY TEAM.

Editor Militia Gazette:

I notice in your issue of 15th October that the command of the Bisley team is likely to be given to a Member of Parliament, and that his only qualification is that he is an M.P. Now if they wish to give the command to some M.P., what's the matter with Lt.-Col. O'Brien? To him belongs the credit of getting up the deputation of M.P.'s to wait on the Minister of Militia, to urge that "free ammunition" be granted to the League, and I think he would have the endorsement of the 1040 members of the League who benefited by his "practical" interest in rifle shooting.

"TORONTO."

To the Editor of the Canadian Militia Gazette:

DEAR SIR.—I noted with much satisfaction your protest in last issue against any merely political appointment to the command of the Bisley team. I have not heard the name of the Member of Parliament to whom you refer, but I do not think he should make his plans too early, or take too much for granted. The Montreal brigade contributes a membership, active and affiliated, I believe second to only one district in the Dominion, and from our active, enterprising members we can furnish an officer well worthy of the command. We are content that he should take his chances amongst officers similarly qualified, but not that he shall stand aside to gratify the vanity of a uniformed politician such as suggested by your article. Yours,

POLITICS LAST.

Montreal, 23rd October, 1891.

THE RIFLE.

THE QUEEN'S OWN MATCHES.

A programme of much more than usual interest is that issued by the committee of the Queen's Own Rifles for their annual matches, which take place on Saturday of this week. The particulars of the matches we will not give now, as they will appear in connection with the list of prize winners next week, but in the meantime the main features should be noted. The end in view seems to have been to secure the largest possible attendance of all ranks, and the conditions have been simplified and expenses reduced to as fine a point as possible. Plain clothes take the place of uniform, so that a busy man may visit the city between matches; the short Snider, being the regimental arm, is prescribed for most of the matches, and there will thus be no private weapons to make things easier for their owners; and the entry fees are merely nominal, several events being free. The prize list, of very handsome value, is remarkable for the absence of money prizes, an excellent feature, made advisable by the fact that the competitors are to be put to so little expense. In the chief match the immense number of seventy prizes are offered, ranging in value from \$50 (a cup) down to \$2 or \$3 for ornaments in bronze, etc., and making a total value of \$546 for the one match. The prizes have all been donated by friends of the regiment, and in acknowledgment the list of donors has been printed on the cover of the programme. In this there are upwards of 160 names, including those of the best firms and citizens of Toronto.

YORK COUNTY RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The annual matches of the York County (New Brunswick) Rifle Association took place on Tuesday, 13th inst. The attendance was good and the day was fine, and as a result some good shooting was done. Following are the scores:

First Match—Ranges 200, 500 and 600 yards—7 shots each Range:

Medal & \$6, Lt. Perkins, 71st. 83	\$2 Corp. Shaw, I.S.C. 66
\$5 Major Loggie, 71st. 78	2 Sergt. Fowle, I.S.C. 64
4 Pte. Burns, I.S.C. 77	2 Pte. Worth, I.S.C. 63
4 Sergt. Long, I.S.C. 77	2 F. H. Risteen 60
4 Lt. Winter 75	2 Sergt. Offen, I.S.C. 59
3 Capt. Pinder, 71st. 74	1 Pte. Young, I.S.C. 57
3 Sergt. Duncan, I.S.C. 72	1 Lt. Richards 54
3 Pte. Cameron, I.S.C. 69	1 Corp. Risteen, 71st. 53
3 Sergt. Wilson, 71st. 68	1 Sergt. Winter, 71st. 52
3 Q. M. Sgt. Walker, I.S.C. 67	1 Pte. Nason, 71st. 50
2 Capt. Boone, 71st. 66	

Second Match—Ranges 400 and 500 yards—5 shots at each range—Prizes in kind and cash:

Cup, Lt. Perkins, 71st. 46	Sergt. Winter, 71st. 35
Major Loggie, 71st. 45	Corp. Shaw, I.S.C. 35
Pte. Burns, I.S.C. 44	F. H. Risteen 34
Q. M. Sgt. Walker, I.S.C. 41	Pte. Cameron, I.S.C. 33
Capt. Pinder, 71st. 41	Corp. Risteen, 71st. 31
Sergt. Long, I.S.C. 40	Pte. Young, I.S.C. 29
Sergt. Duncan, I.S.C. 39	Col.-Sergt. Daniel, I.S.C. 28
Lt. Winter 38	J. F. McManus 25
Pte. Worth, I.S.C. 38	Sergt. Offen, I.S.C. 25
H. Dougherty 36	Sergt. Wilson, 71st. 24
Capt. Boone, 71st. 35	

Team match.—Teams of five men from I.S.C., 71st and Reserve, 400 and 500 yards, 5 shots: I.S.C. team, \$5.20, 197; 71st Batt. team, \$1.25, 191.

Grand aggregate.—Lieut. Perkins, 71st, \$2, 129; Major Loggie, 71st, \$1, 123.

After the regular matches had been fired, one was arranged between teams composed of five men from the I. S. C. and 71st, which resulted in another victory for the former. Following is the score, 500 yards:

I. S. C. TEAM—Q. M. Sergt. Walker, 18; Pte. Burns, 22; Corp. Shaw, 16; Sergt. Long, 18; Sergt. Duncan, 29—team total, 94.

71ST BATTALION—Major Loggie, 20; Lieut. Perkins, 20; Capt. Boone, 12; Capt. Pinder, 12; Sergt. Winter, 14—team total, 78.

OTTAWA RIFLE CLUB.

The 22nd spoon competition was held on the 17th inst., with Martinis, at 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots, and resulted as follows:—

Capt. O'Grady. 29 32 34-95	Capt. Rogers 29 31 25-85
J. E. Hutcheson 32 30 31-93	R. Moodie 31 29 24-84
J. H. Ellis 30 29 31-90	F. W. Smith 32 26 25-83
H. McKay 33 28 29-90	Dr. G. Hutchison 32 26 24-82
G. A. Mailleu 33 31 26-90	T. McJanet 29 31 22-82
C. S. Scott 28 30 31-89	J. G. Lyon 25 29 27-81
L. G. Perkins 31 30 27-88	Lt. Sutherland 26 26 28-80
J. A. Armstrong 33 28 26-87	Lt.-Col. Anderson 27 29 24-80
T. P. Carroll 26 31 29-85	

THE NORTH-WEST RIFLE LEAGUE.

Editor MILITIA GAZETTE:

DEAR SIR,—I send you herewith, for publication in your valuable journal, the final result of the first season's shooting of "The North-West Rifle League." The totals represent the aggregates of the five best scores out of the nine competitions held, and although two of the teams have, unfortunately, been unable to complete more than two of such competitions, yet the result of the season's work, as a whole, is quite satisfactory, and must be productive of much good in the future, and, no doubt, will encourage and give an impetus to rifle shooting in all parts of Manitoba and the Territories.

It is hoped that next season a larger number of teams will take part in these friendly contests, and thus materially help to establish the League on a firm and well-supported basis. The promoters of the League feel satisfied with the success which has attended their efforts for the first season, but hope for much greater success next year. Some changes will necessarily require to be made before the shooting commences in 1892: these, no doubt, will be fully considered by the Executive during the coming winter months, the most important of which will be as to the

desirability of increasing the membership fee, so that the Executive may be in the position of being able to procure more valuable prizes than those to be presented this year.

The competitions throughout have been conducted without anything happening to mar the harmony of the League, and a spirit of "fair play and no favour" seems to have everywhere prevailed. I have to thank you very sincerely for the kindly interest you have shewn in our League.

The scores and prizes are as follows:—

1. Silver Cup—"F" Division N. W. M. Police, Prince Albert. 2061
2. Silver Cup—Saskatchewan Rifle Association, Prince Albert. 2018
3. Silver Cup—Edmonton " " 1944
4. \$10 Cash—Battleford " " 1904
5. \$5 Cash—Portage La Prairie " " 1897
6. Brandon " " 1822
7. Assiniboia " " Regina 1702
8. Moosomin " " 1684
9. Winnipeg Rifle Range Co. 1632
10. Manitoba Rifle Association 1629
11. "F" Co. 90th Battalion } Only two competitions held.
12. Calgary Rifle Association }

K. GRABURN,
Secretary N. W. R. L.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 16th, 1891.

DOMINION ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION.

The following are the results of the Garrison Artillery Officers' Competition held at the Island of Orleans, with 64-pr. R. M. L. guns, 4 rounds, common shell, each—1st prize, value, \$25; 2nd, 15; 3rd, \$10:—

1. Capt. Maxwell, Halifax Brigade 25
2. Lieut. Marsan, No. 1 Battery, Levis 20
3. Capt. Boulanger, No. 2 Battery, Quebec (Div. 6) 18
4. Lieut. Hudon, No. 2 Battery, Quebec (Div. 5) 18
5. Lieut. Stearns, P.E.I. Brigade (Div. 4) 18
6. Lieut. Temple, New Brunswick Brigade 17
7. Lieut. McEwan, Montreal Brigade 17
8. Lt.-Col. Moore, P.E.I. Brigade 16
9. Lieut. Lewis, Yarmouth Battery 15
10. Lieut. McLaren, Halifax Brigade 14
11. Capt. Anderson, Halifax Brigade 13
12. Lieut. Bacon, Digby Battery 13
- Lieut. Moore, P.E.I. Brigade 12
- Major Jolly, Yarmouth Battery 11
- Lieut. Wylie, Halifax Brigade 10
- Lt.-Col. Curren, Halifax Brigade 9
- Major Cole, Montreal Brigade 9
- Capt. Martineau, No. 1 Battery, Levis 9
- Capt. Bissett, Montreal Brigade 8
- Lieut. Macnachten, Cobourg Battery 8
- Lieut. Dover, P.E.I. Brigade 7
- Lieut. Bergeron, No. 2 Battery, Levis 6

The Drill and Driving Competition.

The following are the official returns of the Drill and Driving competition for Field Batteries, held under D.R.A. auspices this season. The Durham battery become the temporary custodians of the Gzowski Cup, which must be won twice in succession, and take also the first cash prize of \$35; Quebec, second, take \$25, No. 2 Guelph \$15; and Ottawa \$10, there being just these four prizes:—

1. DURHAM FIELD BATTERY, PORT HOPE.

Subdivision.	Actual Time.	Added.	Corrected Time.	Average.
1.	2 17	15	2 32	
2.	2 18	10	2 28	
3.	2 19	12	2 31	
4.	2 30	10	2 40	2' 32".75

2. QUEBEC FIELD BATTERY.

1.	2 33.4	..	2 33.4	
2.	2 21	10	2 31	
3.	2 17.2	10	2 27.2	
4.	2 42	15	2 57	2' 37".15

3. NO. 2 BATTERY, 1ST BRIGADE, GUELPH.

1.	2 01.5	20	2 21.5	
2.	2 13	20	2 39	
3.	2 31.5	24	2 55.5	
4.	2 21.2	12	2 33.2	2' 37".3

4.—OTTAWA FIELD BATTERY.

1.	2 38	17	2 55	
2.	2 12	19	2 31	
3.	2 29	10	2 39	
4.	2 31	7	2 38	2' 40".75

5.—HAMILTON FIELD BATTERY.

1.	2 23	5	2 28	
2.	2 25	15	2 40	
3.	2 22	20	2 42	
4.	2 51	10	3 01	2' 42".75

6.—MONTREAL FIELD BATTERY.

1.	2 44	20	3 04	
2.	2 45	10	2 55	
3.	2 14	15	2 29	
4.	2 21.4	15	2 36.4	2' 46"

7.—WOODSTOCK FIELD BATTERY.

1.	2 35	22	2 57	
2.	2 30	10	2 40	
3.	2 42	15	2 57	
4.	2 37	5	2 42	2' 49"

8.—GANANOQUE FIELD BATTERY.

1.	3 23	23	3 46	
2.	2 32	13	2 45	
3.	2 17	23	2 40	
4.	2 00	18	2 18	2' 52".25

9.—WINNIPEG FIELD BATTERY.

1.	2 57	20	3 17	
2.	2 29	15	2 44	
3.	2 34	13	2 47	
4.	2 39	18	2 57	2' 56".25

10.—NO. 1 BATTERY, 1ST BRIGADE, GUELPH.

1.	2 31.5	15	2 46.5	
2.	2 59	12	3 11	
3.	2 25	25	2 50	
4.	2 54	15	3 09	2' 59".1

11.—SYDNEY FIELD BATTERY.

1.	3 10	5	3 15	
2.	2 41	15	2 56	
3.	2 48.4	10	2 58.4	
4.	3 17	20	3 37	3' 11".16

12.—LONDON FIELD BATTERY.

1.	3 56	25	4 21	
2.	3 21	25	3 46	
3.	4 20	40	5 00	
4.	3 17	10	3 27	4' 08".5

AN ARTILLERY DUEL.

(United Service Gazette)

At a time when military opinion is keenly interested in the all-important subject of the most suitable projectile for our field guns, when it is divided as to the relative merits of high and low velocity, when there are loud complaints of the forged steel common shells of the 12-pounder breech-loading gun, inasmuch as they are practically useless as a man-killing projectile, and when there still lurks in men's minds a vague indefinable dislike to the so-called complicated shrapnel with its delicate fuze, and a lingering preference for the good old cast-iron common shell with a simple percussion fuze, a projectile that "couldn't go wrong," at such a time much interest attaches to a brief description, contributed by Lieut.-Colonel D. D. T. O'Callaghan, R. A., to the *Proceedings* of the Royal Artillery Institution, Woolwich, of an Artillery duel which took place during the late Servian and Bulgarian war, on an occasion on which time shrapnel of modern type was, probably for the first time, scientifically used.

The battle of Slievnitza, remarks the gallant colonel, was chiefly remarkable for the courageous and obstinate defence of a long line by an inadequate force. The Servians made repeated attacks on the Bulgarian centre, where Prince Alexander had massed his best troops, and were, as a natural result, repulsed time after time. Had they threatened the attenuated ends of the long line they might have caused considerable trouble, had they not indeed changed the fortunes of the day. Mainly owing to these ill-directed attacks,

to the steadiness of the Bulgarian Infantry, and to the admirable handling of the Artillery (of which the incident described below may be taken as a sample), what might have been a disaster was turned into a brilliant victory.

At one period of the action two Servian batteries (eight guns) opened fire on the left centre at a range of about 1,500 metres, and Prince Alexander detached two guns, under Captain Mattheiff, to engage them. This officer accompanied Major Clarke, C. M. G., R. E., and myself, whose good fortune it was to be at Sophia within a very short time of the cessation of hostilities, to the battle-field. He was a *réserviste* (a barrister), and like many of the Bulgarian officers who have had the advantage of being educated at the Roberts College at Constantinople, spoke excellent English.

The position selected by Captain Mattheiff for his two guns, indicated by the wheel marks which were quite visible at the time of our visit, had been occupied by some Bulgarian tirailleurs, who retired when the Servian guns opened on them; the range, therefore had been accurately obtained before the arrival of the two Bulgarian guns.

Unlimbering in a fold of the ground which afforded a partial protection to his teams, Captain Mattheiff ran his guns up on to the flat top of a small mound: this operation being carried out under a brisk fire from the opposing batteries, of percussion common shell.

Setting every fuze himself, he commenced a deliberate and careful fire of time shrapnel. His first shell was short; his second burst in a team in rear, inflicting great damage; and his third burst about the right distance short of the Servian guns. He continued to fire with this length of fuze, still adjusting each with his own hands, for a period of six minutes: at the end of this time the Servian guns were with much difficulty, and with great losses among men and horses, limbered up and taken out of action.

The ground on which the Bulgarian guns were served was admirably suited for developing the full effect of percussion common shell. A layer of about two inches of turf covered a compact, hard gravel soil—ground which precluded any possibility of the bursts being smothered. As eight guns were opposed to two, and as the fire from the latter, being under the personal observation of one man, was necessarily very slow, the number of projectiles bursting in the vicinity of the Bulgarian guns must have greatly exceeded those fired by them at the Servians. Close round the wheel and trail marks of Captain Mattheiff's guns, we counted twenty-seven grazes or small craters, showing the bursts of common shell, "and yet," to use that officer's own words, "what did they kill? A horse—he is there!" And there lay the body of the sole victim of the concentrated fire of eight guns for six minutes!

Riding over to the other side of the valley, across which this interesting duel had been fought, we had little difficulty in finding the position which had been occupied by the Servian guns. Rags, bandages, scattered pieces of uniforms and harness, all bore mute witness of the terrible effect of the lawyer's skilful shooting, and showed that the eight guns had been beaten, and well beaten, by the two, before they acknowledged that fact by limbering up.

A better comparison of the two natures of projectiles—time shrapnel and percussion common—could scarcely be made. Both were used under the most favourable conditions—that is to say, the shrapnel were used with nerve and with consummate skill, while the common were favoured by ground that might be described as ideal. Was there ever an object-lesson better devised to carry conviction to doubtful minds, or to drive home the conclusion that shrapnel is the only man-killing projectile, common shell, even of cast iron, being absolutely useless in this respect? It may be suggested that percussion shrapnel might fill a place midway, as regards effect, between the percussion common and the

time shrapnel. More fragments must perforce produce more effect, and the percussion shrapnel may, under certain conditions, compare favourably with the percussion common; but in soft soil its burst is absolutely smothered; while even on smooth, baked ground such as is found in India, its effect is immeasurably inferior to that of time shrapnel with trustworthy fuzes.

To turn back for one moment to the actual facts of the duel which I have endeavoured to describe. For two guns to put eight guns out of action under any circumstances, is undoubtedly a very fine performance; but to accomplish this in six minutes, to unlimber, to come into action, and to find the range under a fire from guns which had already found it, is an achievement of which any Army might indeed be proud. Captain Mattheiff's previous teaching had been only that of the schools, but he was endowed with the bulldog courage of his nation, the obstinate pluck which enabled the little Army, denuded by the Russians of 250 of its officers within a few weeks of the declaration of war, to defeat a force superior in numbers, and elated by small successes gained shortly after the outbreak of hostilities.

It may be that after their use by men of Captain Mattheiff's stamp, our modern ammunition may be thought to be maligned when airily described as "jincrack shells, with clockwork fuzes."

Note.—It was difficult to ascertain for certain what guns the Servians used, but it may be assumed that they were similar to those used by the Bulgarians—viz., Krupp field guns, Modèle 1878, firing a shell slightly heavier than that of our 12-pounder breech-loader.

Militia General Orders (No. 19) of 16th Oct., 1891.

No. 1.—STAFF.

His Excellency Lord Stanley of Preston, Governor-General, has been pleased to make the following appointment upon his Staff:

To be Extra Aide-de-Camp; from 8th October, 1891: Captain Henry Collings Sheppard, *vice* Major Charles J. Short, R.C.A., deceased.

No. 2.—PAYMENT ON MILITIA SERVICE.

The following rules in regard to accounts and vouchers for payments of Militia service, are to be strictly obeyed:

1. With the exception of the regular pay lists of the service itself, no accounts of Militia payments are to be made out by officers or clerks of the Department of Militia and Defence, or of the District Staff, or by any Militia officer, non-commissioned officer, or man employed in connection with the service for which such account is rendered.

Creditors will make out their own accounts.

2. In no case will the signature of any of the officers, etc., above specified, be accepted in receipt of such accounts.

Creditors are to receipt their own accounts, either by themselves, or by their legally constituted agent, not being one of the parties above described.

3. In cases where the creditor cannot write, his accounts must be made out, and his receipt witnessed by some other party than an officer, etc., of the Militia service, as above set forth.

No. 3.—FLAG STATIONS.

No. 2 of General Orders (6), March, 1889, is amended by providing that the Royal Standard is to be used at the Citadel, Quebec, on Royal anniversaries, in addition to the occasions provided for in the last clause of paragraph 7, Regulations for the Permanent Corps.

No. 4.—INCREASE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF ACTIVE MILITIA.

Authority having been granted for the raising in the City of Toronto, of eight companies of Active Militia of the strength of 42 non-commissioned officers and men per company, to be formed into a Battalion wearing the Highland dress, the Deputy Adjutant General of Military District No. 2 will submit Service Rolls of those persons volunteering for service in those companies.

No. 5.—ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA.

Military Staff.

Captain Charles Ernest English, Royal Artillery, lately appointed to the Staff of the Royal Military College as Professor of Artillery, Administration and Law, has been taken on the strength of the establishment, from 18th of September, 1891.

Admission as Cadets.

The gentlemen undernamed having passed their examinations and been certified by the Headquarters Board of Examiners, have been

duly approved for admission as Cadets to the Royal Military College of Canada:—

Edmund Francis Rolleston Tate, Lakefield, Ont., 2,320 marks.

Russell Blackburn, Ottawa, Ont., 1,282 marks.;

No. 6.—ACTIVE MILITIA.

CAVALRY.

8TH "PRINCESS LOUISE'S NEW BRUNSWICK" REGIMENT OF CAVALRY.—"G" Troop, Springfield.—2nd Lieutenant Henry Domville, retires from the service.

ARTILLERY.

BRITISH COLUMBIA BRIGADE OF GARRISON ARTILLERY.—No. 3 Battery, Victoria.—To be Lieutenant: Sergeant Benjamin Williams, R.S.A. (1st B.), *vice* E. W. Matthews, resigned.

INFANTRY AND RIFLES.

1ST BATTALION, "PRINCE OF WALES' REGIMENT," Montreal, Q.—To be Major: Captain Joseph Peter Cooke, R.S.I., *vice* T. P. Butler, promoted.

To be Captain: Lieutenant Gordon G. Lewis, R.S.I., *vice* J. P. Cooke, promoted.

To be second Lieutenant, provisionally: Robert Daubney Howell, gentleman, *vice* Robert Andrew Dunton, who retires from the service.

2ND BATTALION "QUEEN'S OWN RIFLES OF CANADA," Toronto, O.—To be Captains: Lieutenant John Knifton, M.S., *vice* C. C. Bennett, appointed Paymaster.

Lieutenant Malcolm Smith Mercer, R.S.I., *vice* Henry Vincent Greene, who is permitted to retire retaining rank.

To be Lieutenants: 2nd Lieutenant Herbert Macdonald Mowat, G.S.I., *vice* A. B. Lee, promoted.

2nd Lieutenant Harry Fladgate Wyatt, R.S.I., *vice* C. H. Baird, retired.

2nd Lieutenant Robert Ceugh LeVesconte, R.S.I., *vice* J. Knifton, promoted.

2nd Lieutenant Edward Lyall Morton, R.S.I., *vice* M. S. Mercer, promoted.

To be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally: Corporal Sydney Anson Clifford Greene, *vice* J. F. Crean, promoted.

5TH BATTALION, "ROYAL SCOTS OF CANADA," Montreal, Q.—To be Lieutenant, from 28th August, 1891: William Mountain Andrews, M.S., from Retired list of Lieutenants, *vice* F. S. Maclean, resigned.

To be second Lieutenants, provisionally, from 28th of August, 1891: Graham Barclay Macpherson, gentleman, *vice* J. Aird, promoted.

William Alexander Cameron, gentleman, *vice* J. Carson, promoted.

11TH BATTALION OF INFANTRY, "ARGENTEUH RANGERS," Q.—No. 3 Company, Morin Flats.—To be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally: Colour Sergeant Abraham Watchorn, R.S.I. (2nd B.), *vice* William Burns, who retires from the service.

16TH, "PRINCE EDWARD" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, O.—No. 4 Company, Picton.—The name of Lieutenant Frank Waller Terwilliger, is as now described, and not as stated in General Orders, 28th August, 1891.

17TH "LEVIS" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, Q.—No. 3 Company, Levis.—To be Lieutenant provisionally: Ernest Roy, gentleman, *vice* P. C. Begin, promoted.

25TH "MIDDLESEX" BATTALION OF LIGHT INFANTRY, O.—No. 5 Company, Lucan.—Captain John Craven Frank, resigns his commission.

27TH "LAMBTON" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, "ST. CLAIR BORDERERS," Sarnia, O.—Lieutenant Colonel Charles Edward Herley Fisher, is permitted to retire, retaining rank.

33RD "HURON" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, Goderich, O.—Major Robert Crockett, resigns his commission, and is permitted to revert to the Retired list of Captains.

44TH "WELLAND" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, O.—No. 4 Company, Fort Erie.—Lieutenant Robert Jacob Baxter, retires from the service.

51ST BATTALION OF INFANTRY, "HEMINGFORD RANGERS," Q.—No. 8 Company, St. Remi.—To be 2nd Lieutenant provisionally: Sergeant Dona Bedard, *vice* W. Stuthers.

55TH "MEGANTIC LIGHT INFANTRY" BATTALION, Q.—No. 4 Company, Maple Hill.—To be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally: Colour Sergeant Thomas McCutcheon, *vice* C. M. Brocklesby, promoted.

No. 6 Company, St. Sylvestre.—To be Lieutenant provisionally: Sergeant Andrew Beattie, *vice* Joseph Duncan Donaldson, left limits.

63RD "HALIFAX" BATTALION OF RIFLES, N.S.—To be Captain: Lieutenant Stephen John Rupert Sircorn, M.S., *vice* C. J. McKie, retired.

67TH BATTALION "CARLETON LIGHT INFANTRY," Woodstock, N.B.—Assistant Surgeon Edmund William Stevens, M.D., resigns his commission.

79TH, "ANNAPOLIS" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, Paradise, N.S.—Paymaster and Honorary Captain Thomas H. Millar, is granted the Honorary rank of Major, from 3rd September, 1887; Quartermaster and Honorary Captain William H. Bishop, is granted the Honorary rank of Major, from 8th October, 1884.

77TH "WENTWORTH BATTALION OF INFANTRY, O.—No. 1 Company, Dundas.—To be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally: Private James Ross, *vice* H. H. Pirie, resigned.

No. 4 Company, Ancaster.—That portion of General Orders 18th April, 1890, in which the resignation of Captain and Brevet Major T. A. Walker is notified, is amended by permitting that officer to retire, retaining Brevet rank.

81ST "PORTNEUF" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, Pont Rouge, Q.—To be Adjutant from 18th September, 1891: Lieutenant Alfred Parent, M.S. *vice* Captain J. G. Coté, promoted.

No. 5 Company, Cap Santé.—To be Lieutenant, provisionally: Sergeant Ubaldo Frenet, *vice* T. Dussault, resigned.

82ND "QUEEN'S COUNTY" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, P.E.I.—No. 1 Company, Charlottetown Royalty.—To be 2nd Lieutenant: Sergeant Ernest Walter Fairfax Harris, R.S.I. (1st B.), *vice* Frank Robert Catford Beer, who retires from the service.

No. 7 Company, Alberton.—2nd Lieutenant Charles A. Woodman, retires from the service.

85TH BATTALION OF INFANTRY, Q.—No. 1 Company, St. Jerome.—2nd Lieutenant J. E. Doré, retires from the service.

No. 5 Company, Cote St. Paul.—Lieutenant Robert King, retires from the service.

87TH "QUEBEC" BATTALION OF INFANTRY.—No. 2 Company, Ancienne Lorette.—To be Lieutenant: 2nd Lieutenant Henri Théophile Pageot, R.S.I., *vice* Paul Fiset, refused to qualify.

89TH "TEMISCOUATA AND RIMOUSKI" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, Q.—No. 6 Company, L'Anse au Sable.—To be Lieutenant, provisionally: H. Romuald Fiset, gentleman, *vice* Charles Arthur St. Pierre, failed to qualify.

No. 7 Company, Rimouski.—To be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally: G. O. Gauvreau, gentleman, *vice* F. Alonzo Talbot, left limits.

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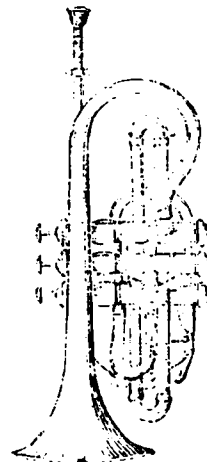
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2nd Lieutenant William James Fenton, R.S.I., No. 3 Company, 24th Battalion ; from 25th September, 1891.

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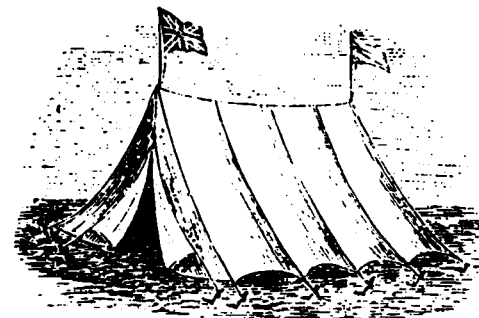
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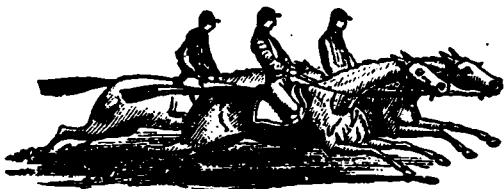
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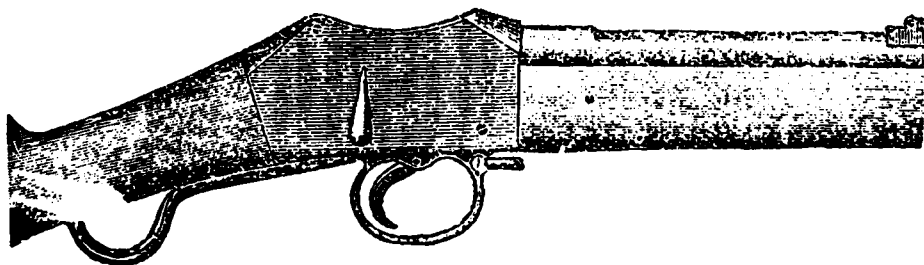
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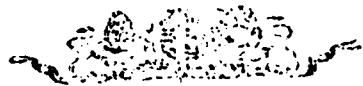
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