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Elected.

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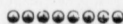
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Hudon, Major L. A., Quebec Company.

Hurdman, Major W. G., 2nd Field Battery.

Irving, Lt.-Colonel J. D., Comdg. 9th M. D.

Longworth, Lt.-Colonel J. A., 4th Regiment.

MacNachtan, Captain N. F., Cobourg Company.

Maltby, Major R. L., 12th Field Battery.

McKenzie, Lt.-Colonel W., 8th Field Battery.

Moore, Lt.-Colonel F. S., Comdg. 12th M. D.

Oxley, Major F. H., 1st Regiment.

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Taylor, R. J., Esq.

Trotter, Major W. C., 2nd Regiment.

Wynne, Captain John H., 2nd Regiment.

AFFILIATED UNITS.



Royal Military College.
"A" Battery, R. C. A., Kingston.
"B" Battery, R. C. A., Quebec.
No. 1 Company, R. C. A., Quebec.
No. 2 Company, R. C. A., Quebec.
1st Field Battery, Quebec.
2nd Field Battery, Ottawa.
3rd Field Battery, Montreal.
4th Field Battery, Hamilton.
5th Field Battery, Kingston.
7th Field Battery, St. Catharines.
8th Field Battery, Gananoque.
9th Field Battery, Toronto.
11th Field Battery, Guelph.
12th Field Battery, Newcastle.
13th Field Battery, Winnipeg.
14th Field Battery, Port Hope.
15th Field Battery, Granby.
16th Field Battery, Guelph.
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Rules of the Association.

ADOPTED 25th FEBRUARY, 1896.



1. NAME—The name of the Association is the DOMINION OF CANADA ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION.

2. OBJECT—The object of the Association is the development of gunnery skill and the dissemination of Artillery knowledge throughout the Dominion of Canada, with a view to the attainment of the greatest possible efficiency by the Field and Garrison Artillery.

3. PATRONS AND VICE-PATRONS—The Governor-General of the Dominion and the Lieutenant-Governors of Provinces shall be respectfully requested to become Patron and Vice-Patrons, respectively, of the Association. Other names may be added to the list of Vice-Patrons.

4. OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION—The office bearers of the Association shall consist of a President and four Vice-Presidents of the Association, to be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting; and a Secretary-Treasurer, to be elected annually by the Council at its first meeting after the Annual General Meeting.

5. COUNCIL—The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Council, which shall consist of *ex-officio* members, (See Rule 6) and such officers on the *active* or *retired* lists, as may be elected annually at a General Meeting. Both *ex-officio* and elected members of Council, not being life-members of the Association, must pay the annual subscription for the year, to entitle them to speak, act, or vote as such.

6. EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS OF COUNCIL—The Hon. the Minister of Militia and Defence; the Deputy Minister of Militia and Defence; the General Officer Comdg. the Militia; the Adjutant General; the Officers Commanding and Staff Officers of Districts; the Director of Stores; the Commandant and Professors, being officers, Royal Military College; the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor General; the President of the Dominion Rifle Association; the President of the Ontario Artillery Association, and the President of any other duly organized Artillery Association that may hereafter be formed; all Field Officers of Artillery and the Officers Comdg. affiliated units shall, if members of the Association, be *ex-officio* members of Council. The Secretary-Treasurer shall also be a member of Council.

7. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—There shall be an Executive Committee, composed of the Assistant Adjutant General for Artillery, who shall be Chairman, with the Inspectors of Artillery (*ex-officio*) and four officers, elected by the Council from among themselves, as members. To the charge of this Committee shall be entrusted all technical Artillery matters, arranging the prize-list, carrying out of Annual Competitions, appointment of Umpires and the arrangement of details in connection therewith—four to form a quorum. They will report to the Council. The members of the Executive Committee to be eligible to any office.

8. MEMBERS—A subscription of *two* dollars shall entitle the subscriber to membership in the Association for the year in which paid, with the following privileges:—

- a. The right to vote at all General Meetings.
- b. If an officer of a competing corps, to entrance in Officers' Competition.
- c. If included in Rule 6, to membership of Council.

In the case of new members, other than those enumerated in Rule 6, or Officers of affiliated units, the fee must have been paid at least four weeks before the Annual General Meeting, in order to entitle the member to vote at such meeting, unless otherwise determined by unanimous vote of the members present. In case any person, not an officer in Her Majesty's forces or not mentioned in Rule 6, desires to join the Association, and any member thereof objects to him or to his becoming a member of the Association, the question shall be referred to the Executive Committee, which Committee shall decide whether he be accepted as a member or not.

9. LIFE MEMBERS—The donors of *twenty* dollars in cash, or of a prize of not less value than *forty* dollars, for competition at an annual prize-meeting of the Association, may be elected a life member.

10. OFFICERS COMPETING—Any officer competing at a prize meeting of the Association must, at the time of such meeting, be a member of the Association.

11. AFFILIATION—Any Canadian Artillery Corps, the Royal Military College Cadets and the Artillery detachment of the North West Mounted Police Force, subscribing *ten* dollars per Field Battery, and *twelve* and *six* dollars per Company of Garrison Artillery, increased and old establishment, respectively, shall become affiliated to the Association. The Royal Military College Cadets and North West Mounted Police detachments to be rated as Field Batteries. Prizes may be given to and among N. C. Officers and men of affiliated units, though the winners thereof may not be members of the Association.

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12. ASSOCIATION YEAR—The Association year commences on the 1st of July in each year, and all fees for affiliation for the year then commencing must be paid on or before that date.

13. GENERAL MEETINGS—A General Meeting of the Association shall be held annually, on the second Thursday in February, to receive the annual report of the Secretary-Treasurer, and to transact general business. No alteration of the Rules of the Association shall be made, excepting at such meeting. Twenty-one days' notice of any motion involving such alteration shall be given, in writing, by the member intending to propose it at the General Meeting, to the Secretary, who shall forward it immediately to every member of the Association; and the notice or, summary thereof, shall be also published in one issue of the *Canadian Military Gazette* prior to the Annual Meeting of this Association, by the Secretary or other person authorized to act on his behalf.

14. PRESIDING OFFICER—At all General Meetings of the Association the chair shall be taken by the President, in his absence by the senior Vice-President present, and, in the absence of all the Vice-Presidents, by the President of Council, and so on.

15. COUNCIL MEETINGS—At all meetings of Council, five shall form a quorum, all questions shall be decided by the vote of the majority, and the chairman shall have a casting vote when the members are equal.

16. DATE OF ORDINARY MEETINGS—Ordinary meetings of Council shall be held on the day of, or the day previous to, and immediately after the Annual General Meeting.

17. EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS—Extraordinary meetings of Council shall be summoned by the Secretary, when required by the President of Council, at such places as the President may direct, either at his own discretion, or upon the request, in writing, of six members of Council, of at least three different corps, duly qualified to vote at such meeting, one of whom shall be a Vice-President, notification being sent to each member of the Council at least fourteen days previous to such meeting, and the requisition for the meeting and the notice to the members must state the object or objects of such meetings. Members of Council shall be permitted to send a written vote to the Secretary upon subjects to be discussed at such meeting.

18. PROXY, VOTING AT COUNCIL BY—That any Commanding Officer of a corps, being a member of Council, being unable to attend any meeting of the same, may nominate, in writing, an officer of his own command to attend in his stead, and upon such officer delivering to the Secretary such

nomination, he shall be entitled to speak and vote at such meeting of Council, but any motion made or seconded by him, shall be made by him in the name of the member of Council for which he acts.

19. **MINUTES OF COUNCIL**—The Minutes of all meetings of Council shall be entered in a book kept for that purpose by the Secretary, and open to the inspection of any member of the Council.

20. The Trustees shall invest for the Association any funds paid over to them by the Treasurer for that purpose, and deposit the securities with the Treasurer.

21. **THE TREASURER**—The Treasurer shall be required to deposit to the credit of the Association in a bank named by the Council, all sums of money paid over to him on behalf of the Association.

22. **CURRENT EXPENSES**—The payment of money for current expenses must be authorized by the chairman of the Executive Committee. Other payments to be made only on authority of Council. Payments to be made by cheque drawn by the Treasurer and countersigned by the chairman of the Executive Committee, or, in his absence, by a member of Council.

23. **AUDITORS**—Two Auditors shall be appointed annually to examine the Treasurer's accounts previous to the Annual Meeting.

24. **ANNUAL REPORT**—An annual report from the Secretary-Treasurer to be submitted to the Council before publication. The Council shall also make a report of the proceedings of the year to the General Association Meeting.

25. **CLOSE OF COMPETITIONS**—All competitions to be closed by the 30th June of each year, and all returns thereof, with list of men entitled to badges, must be sent to the Secretary by the 1st day of August ensuing the Association year for which the claim is made.

26. **CHALLENGE CUPS, &C., WHEN RETURNED**—That all Challenge Cups or trophies, the property of the Association, competed for under Association Rules, be returned to the Secretary at least one month previous to the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting.

27. **PROVINCIAL ARTILLERY ASSOCIATIONS**—Whenever an Artillery Association is formed for any of the Provinces of the Dominion, the Secretary shall be required, provided the units composing the said Association are affiliated with this Association, to furnish such information from the records in his charge as may be required for the issue of Provincial prizes.

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Competed for in the Association Competitions.

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1. General Efficiency, Field Batteries—1st Prize.

Presented by His Excellency the Governor General to Battery making the highest number of points for General Efficiency during the year (see table). Won by Hamilton Field Battery, Lt.-Col. Van Wagner, Comdg.

BATTERIES WHICH HAVE WON CUPS PREVIOUSLY.

- 1880—No. 2 Battery, 1st Brigade, Guelph.
- 1881—No. 2 “ “ “
- 1882—No. 1 “ “ “
- 1883—Quebec Field Battery.
- 1884—No. 1 Battery, 1st Brigade, Guelph.
- 1885—Montreal Field Battery.
- 1886—Ottawa “
- 1887—Hamilton “
- 1888—No. 1 Battery, 1st Brigade.
- 1889—No. 1 “ “
- 1890—No. 1 “ “
- 1891—Hamilton Field Battery.
- 1892—No. 2 Battery, 1st Brigade.
- 1893—Hamilton Field Battery.
- 1894—No. 2 Battery, 1st Brigade, Guelph.
- 1895—Ottawa Field Battery.

2. General Efficiency, Field Batteries—2nd Prize.

LANSDOWNE CUP.

Held for the year by Battery second on list for General Efficiency, viz :—No. 2 Battery, 1st Brigade, Major Davidson, Comdg.

Held in 1888 by Hamilton Field Battery.

- 1889 by Quebec “
- 1890 by Hamilton “
- 1891 by No. 1 Battery, 1st Brigade.
- 1892 by Hamilton Field Battery.
- 1893 by No. 2 Battery, 1st Brigade.
- 1894 by Winnipeg Field Battery.
- 1895 by Hamilton “

3. General Efficiency, Garrison Artillery.—1st Prize.

INCREASED ESTABLISHMENT.

Presented by His Excellency the Governor General. Won by No. 1 Company, 2nd Regiment, Major William N. King, Comdg.

WON IN PREVIOUS YEARS BY

1895—No. 1 Company, 2nd Regiment.

4. General Efficiency, Garrison Artillery.—2nd Prize.

Held for the year by Battery second on list for General Efficiency: No. 2 Company, 2nd Regiment, Captain W. A. Collins, Comdg.

Held in 1888 by No. 1 Battery, New Brunswick Brigade.

1889 by No. 1	"	P. E. Island	"
1890 by No. 3	"	Halifax	"
1891 by No. 5	"	"	"
1892 by No. 5	"	"	"
1893 by No. 1 Company,		New Brunswick Battalion.	
1894 by No. 1	"	P. E. Island Regiment.	
1895 by No. 3	"	2nd Regiment.	

5. General Efficiency, Garrison Artillery.—1st Prize.

ORIGINAL ESTABLISHMENT.

Presented by His Excellency the Governor General, same conditions as 1 (see table). Won by No. 1 Company, 3rd Regiment, Captain Stanley D. Crawford, Comdg.

WON IN PREVIOUS YEARS BY

1882—No. 1 Battery, P. E. Island Brigade.			
1883—No. 1	"	"	"
1884—No. 2	"	"	"
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1892—No. 3	"	"	"
1893—No. 2 Company, P. E. Island Battalion.			
1894—Cobourg Company.			
1895—No. 1 Company, 4th Regiment.			

6. General Efficiency, Garrison Artillery.—2nd Prize.

Presented by Hugh Blaik, Esq. To be held for the year by the Company making the second highest marks in competition. Held this year by No. 2 Company, 3rd Regiment, Captain Baxter, Comdg.

Held in 1895 by No. 1 Company, 3rd Regiment.

7. Oswald Challenge Cup.

Firing Competition, Field Artillery—Open to the Dominion. To be the property of any Battery winning it two years in succession. Presented by Lt.-Colonel Oswald, late Montreal Brigade Garrison Artillery. No award for 1896.

HELD PREVIOUSLY BY

1884—Welland Canal Field Battery.
 1885—Montreal “ “
 1886—Ottawa “ “
 1887—Durham “ “
 1888—Winnipeg “ “
 1889—Quebec “ “
 1890—No. 1 Battery, 1st Brigade.
 1891—Durham Field Battery.
 1892—Wookstock Field Battery.
 1893—Montreal “ “
 1894—No award.
 1895—No award

8. Montizambert Challenge Cup.

Firing Competition, Field Artillery, Province of Ontario. Same conditions as No. 5. Presented by Lt.-Colonel C. E. Montizambert, Assistant Inspector of Artillery. Not competed for.

HELD PREVIOUSLY BY

1883—No. 1 Battery, 1st Brigade.
 1884—Welland Canal Field Battery.
 1885—No. 2 Battery, 1st Brigade.
 1886—Ottawa Field Battery.
 1887—Durham “
 1888—Gananoque “
 1889—Hamilton “
 1890—No. 1 Battery, 1st Brigade.
 1891—Durham Field Battery.
 1892—Not competed for.
 1893—Hamilton Field Battery.
 1894—Not competed for.
 1895—Not competed for.

Gzowski Challenge Cup.*

Presented by Colonel Sir Casimir Gzowski, K.C.M.G., A.D.C. to the Queen. To be held for one year by the Battery making shortest time in Drill and Driving Competition. Held in 1896 by 14th (Durham) Field Battery, Lt.-Colonel McLean, Comdg.

- 1893—Durham Field Battery.
- 1894—Woodstock Field Battery.
- 1895—Durham Field Battery.

Mercier Challenge Trophy.

Presented by Hon. Honoré Mercier. To be competed for with 64-pr. R. M. L. guns. To become the property of any Battery winning it in three successive competitions. No award for 1894.

- 1890—Held by Cobourg Garrison Battery.
- 1891— " Digby " "
- 1892— " 3 Battery, Halifax Brigade.
- 1893— " 2 Detachment, No. 3 Co'y, Halifax Bn.

Turnbull Challenge Shield.

To be held for the year by the Battery making the highest aggregate score with 64-pr. R.M.L. and 40-pr. R.B.L. guns.

- 1890—Held by Cobourg Battery, Garrison Artillery.
- 1891— " No. 4 " Halifax Brigade.
- 1892— " No. 3 " " "
- 1893— " No. 1 Company, New Brunswick Bn.
- 1894— " Left Half Detach't No. 3 Co'y, Montreal Bn.

*Cup previously presented by Sir Casimir Gzowski for competition in 1884 was finally won in 1891 by the Durham Field Battery.



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Prize List, 1896-7.

ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE.

Prizes, value..... \$25 00
 Badges, 1 silver and 4 embroidered cross guns,

ROYAL CANADIAN ARTILLERY.

Prizes, value..... \$75 00
 Badges as laid down in Rules for Practice.

FIELD BATTERIES C. A.

GENERAL EFFICIENCY.

1st, His Excellency the Governor-General's prize,
 value \$50 00
 2nd 40 00
 3rd 25 00
 4th 15 00

FIRE DISCIPLINE AND PRACTICE.

Instructional Camp.

1st, Battery receiving highest total marks..... \$50 00
 2nd 40 00
 3rd 30 00
 4th 20 00
 5th 10 00

Battery Headquarters.

1st \$30 00
 2nd 20 00
 Provided four batteries compete—only one prize if less than four.

DRILL AND DRIVING.

1st, to battery making shortest average time, Cup
 to be held for one year, and..... \$35 00
 2nd 25 00
 3rd 15 00
 4th 10 00
 5th, to detachment making shortest time..... 5 00

The above provided eight batteries or over compete. Three prizes if six, and less than eight, batteries compete, and two prizes if less than six batteries compete.

GUN-LAYING.

To battery making highest aggregate score	\$20 00
<i>Individual prizes in each affiliated battery.</i>	
1st	\$5 00
2nd	2 50

FUZE-BORING.

<i>Individual in each battery.</i>	
1st	\$3 00
2nd	2 00

GARRISON ARTILLERY.

GENERAL EFFICIENCY.

Increased Establishment.

1st, His Excellency's prize, value	\$50 00
2nd	30 00
3rd	20 00

Original Establishment.

1st, His Excellency's prize, value	\$50 00
2nd	30 00
3rd	20 00

GUN PRACTICE.

Island of Orleans—64-pr. R. M. L. Guns.

Aggregate Scores—1	\$30 00
2	25 00
3	15 00
4	10 00
5	5 00

40-pr. R. B. L. Guns.

Aggregate Scores—1	\$30 00
2	20 00
3	15 00
4	10 00
5	5 00

Provided all the units detailed for these competitions affiliate.

Halifax, St. John, N.B., Prince Edward Island.

Prizes at the rate of *fifteen* dollars per Company original establishment and *thirty* dollars increased establishment affiliated. Details of distribution to be arranged locally.

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SHORT COURSE EFFICIENCY.

Kingston and Quebec—each.

1st, highest decimal credit.....	\$15 00
2nd	10 00
3rd.....	8 00
4th.....	5 00

The above detail is contingent on the Association receiving the usual Government grant.

By order,

J. B. DONALDSON, MAJOR,
Secretary-Treasurer.



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Table of Comparative Efficiency—Field Batteries.

BATTERY.	COMMANDING OFFICER.	Clothing and Accoutrements.	Gun Carriages and Equipment.	Horses.	Harness and Harnessing.	Marching Past.	Gun Drill.	Sword Drill.	Field Manoeuvres.	Discipline and Camping.	Questions.		Fire Discipline.	Armouries.	Absentees.	TOTAL.	Officers Absent.	ORDER OF MERIT.
											Officers.	N. C. Officers.						
1st-Quebec	Full Marks	24	32	34	32	15	55	16	32	36	80	128	50	20		545		
2nd-Ottawa	Major Boelanger	31	36	32	35	10	50	8	15	26	64	90	46	18		423		9th.
3rd-Montreal	" Hardman	35	30	35	35	15	50	15	28	25	71	108	39	18		468		3rd.
4th-Hamilton	" Costigan	22	30	32	33	14	54	14	30	34	36	93	38	20		436		8th.
5th-Kingston	Lt.-Col. Van Wagner	22	31	32	33	8	50	8	25	30	30	78	50	18		500		1st.
6th-London	" Drennan	20	23	16	25	19	40	6	30	30	39	97	40	16	7	411	1	10th.
7th-Wellesley	Capt. Fairbank	20	28	20	25	12	40	12	26	25	24	95	25	15		378	2	15th.
8th-Gananoque	Lt.-Col. King	22	20	20	20	13	43	8	20	29	22	112	49	17		455		5th.
9th-Toronto	" McKenzie	20	20	18	20	6	50	6	30	35	73	104	30	17		387		13th.
10th-Windsor	Major Mead	22	30	18	28	12	40	4	30	35	50	87	15	15		464		4th.
11th-1st Bock, Guelph.	Lt.-Col. Dibblee	20	20	24	25	10	47	14	22	30	32	104	35	15	3	390	3	12th.
12th-Newcastle	Capt. Minchison	16	25	16	25	8	46	12	25	30	52	87	45	12		372		14th.
13th-Winnipeg	Major Maiboy	21	20	21	21	13	51	10	24	30	49	77	35	5		450		16th.
14th-Durham	Major Dudgeon	20	28	22	30	15	48	13	30	30	78	68	48	20	13	372	5	6th.
15th-Shefford	Lt.-Col. McLean	10	24	20	28	10	52	10	20	25	34	130	25	19	2	405	2	11th.
16th-2, 1st Bde., Guelph.	" Amyreald	10	24	16	24	8	45	6	18	30	63	79	25	10	32	316	1	17th.
17th-Sydney	Major Davidson	20	28	30	32	12	54	13	28	32	80	125	30	19		491		2nd.
	Major Crowe	18	26	18	26	12	50	15	30	28	75	89	40	20		448		7th.

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2nd. Montreal, Regiment.

5th. British Columbia Regiment.

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Yarmouth

3rd New Brunswick Regiment.

4th P. E. Island Regiment.

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General Efficiency—Garrison Artillery.

INCREASED ESTABLISHMENT.

CORPS.	Company.	OFFICER COMMANDING.	Clothing and Accoutrements.	Manual and Firing.	Company Drill.	Gun Drill.	Discipline and Interior Economy.	Ques- tions.		Absentees.	TOTAL.	Officers Absent.	Inspecting Officer and Date of Inspection.
								Officers.	N. C. Officers.				
		Full Marks....	10	20	20	80	10	40	48		228		
1st, Halifax, Regiment.	1	Major Garrison ..	9	17	15	55	10	26	20	26	123	2	
	2	" Hesslein ...	9	18	18	76	10	34	45	14	196	1	
	3	" Maxwell ...	9	15	16	19	5	16	29	68	41	1	
2nd, Montreal, Regiment.	4	" Stewart ...	9	18	17	48	10	26	45	22	151	1	
	1	" King ...	9	18	15	75	9	33	44	5	198	1	
	2	Capt. Collins	9	18	15	75	9	31	41	1	197	1	
5th, British Columbian, Regiment.	3	" Featherstone ..	9	18	17	75	9	25	42	7	188	1	
	1	Major Sargisson ..	10	18½	18	50½	8½	29	44	30	148½	1	
	2	" Williams ...	10	19	19	29	9	16	43	26	119	1	
Quebec	3	Lieut. Hibben ...	10	18	20	48½	10	29	41	18	158½	1	
	4	Major Bennett ...	10	18	16	51½	8½	18	48	28	142	1	
	5	" Johnston ...	10	19½	19½	60½	9½	39	45	12	191	1	
Levis.	6	" Worsnop ..	10	17	17	33	8	23	47	43	112	1	
	1	" Hudon ...	9	15	18	74	10	16	39	1	181	1	
	2	" Martineau..	9	18	16	75	10	.....	.....	1	.....	2	
	2	" Vien	9	17	16	72	10	.....	.....	1	.....	2	

OLD ESTABLISHMENT.

		Full Marks...	10	20	20	80	10	48	72	260	
Cobourg	1	Capt. Maenachtan.	9	20	19	78	10	32	69	237	1
Mahone Bay	1	" Ernst	8	14	10	36	8	28	33	2135	1
Digby	1	Major Daley	7	10	8	49	10	23	32	1138	1
Pictou	1	Capt. Craig .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Yarmouth	1	Major Jolly	9	17	16	68	10	50	1	215	1
3rd New Brunswick Regiment.	1	Capt. Crawford	9	19	19	78	10	69	.....	252	1
	2	" Baxter	9	19	19	76	10	47	71	251	1
	3	" Gordon	9	17	17	65	10	38	65	1221	1
	4	" Armstrong ..	9	19	19	78	10	42	71	248	1
	5	" Temple	5	10	10	36	10	43	29	9139	1
4th P. E. Island Regiment.	1	" Davison	9	18	19	75	9	48	69	247	1
	2	" Moore	9	18	19	75	9	46	60	3233	1
	3	" Owen	8	15	17	54	9	27	70	3197	1
	4	" Brennan	8	15	14	58	9	47	51	4198	1
	5	Lieut. Fraser	7	15	10	44	8	27	40	3148	1

* Will be inspected in 1897.

The following questions were issued by the Department of Militia and Defence in connection with the foregoing competitions.

NOTE.—Not more than two of the above questions to be put to each officer present at inspection. No special order or precedence to be observed, and, unless unavoidable, the same questions not to be asked twice. Officers absent from inspection may, if possible, be afforded an opportunity of answering the questions, provided they have attended annual drill, and their absence be satisfactorily accounted for.

By order,

T. D. IRWIN, Lt.-Colonel,
Asst. Adjt. General for Artillery.

Field Artillery Officers.

Questions (value 10 each).

1. For what purposes should Shrapnel Shell be used? Upon what does its destructive effect depend? State the rule for determining the proper height of burst at any range against targets having an extended or a narrow front?
2. State briefly the system of ranging at a moving object.
3. State the different rates of fire and when they are severally used.
4. Detail the most important conditions to be observed in choosing a position, and how, generally speaking, should they be fulfilled.
Explain the detail, on parade, for the following:—
5. From line to countermarch, at full or diminished intervals.
6. From line to change front on a central subdivision.
7. From line to form column of sections on a flank.
8. From quarter column of sections to form line for action.

Field Artillery N. C. Officers.

Questions (Value 8 each).

1. What are Nos. 1 duties at "squad parade," and when marched to the gun park?
2. How should the following be fitted: Bit, Curb, Head Collar, Stirrup?
3. Detail how to mount with stirrups?

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4. Explain the meaning of windage, drift, range, angle of elevation?
5. How are common and shrapnel shells filled and secured?
6. State the general rules to be observed in laying a gun by the tangent scale?
7. What are usual causes affecting the accuracy of shooting?
8. What has to be done on the command "Prepare for action"?
9. Detail the ammunition carried by one subdivision, complete?
10. State the different intervals between subdivisions and Batteries, and distances in column of route, subdivisions and sections?
11. What are the general duties of Markers?
12. What are the signals for Field Movements?
13. What are the general duties of a N.C.O. in charge of a guard?
14. Describe briefly the 15 sec. fuze?
15. What are the signals used at Field Gun Drill?
16. What are the duties of a Battery orderly?

Garrison Artillery Officers.

Questions (Value 8 each).

1. What are the different methods of laying a gun? Explain briefly their relative merits.
2. State briefly the general rule for the employment of common and shrapnel shell against shipping?
3. State briefly the general duties of a Gun Group commander, and a Battery commander?
4. What are the principles which govern the division of guns into groups?
5. State the rules for testing for qualified gun-layers.
6. State the weight of common shell, the service charge, and the nature of fuzes to be used with:—

64-pr. R. M. L.—58 cwt.

9-in. R. M. L.—mark vi.

7-in. R. B. L.—82 cwt., or 40-pr. R. B. L.

7. Describe how to mount a 64-pr. R. M. L. by long skids with rollers.
8. Detail the stores required for the above operation.

Garrison Artillery N. C. Officers.

Questions (Value 6 each.)

1. Define the meaning of "Angle of elevation," "Drift," "Windage," "Jump."
2. How are projectiles distinguished by their tips and bands?
3. Describe how common shell with bag are filled through the fuze hole.
4. Describe briefly "wedge wads," "tin cups," "shrapnel primers."
5. What are the duties of the Gun Captains?
6. What are the duties and signals used by the Gun Layers?
7. Describe a "Luff tackle," "Light sheer tackle," "a whip upon whip." What is the power gained by each and the working strain?
8. Show how to make a "Fisherman's Bend," a "Clove hitch," an "Inside clinch."
9. Describe how to place, and move, a gun on rollers.
10. Describe the 9-in. R. M. L. gun, or the 40-pr. R. B. L.
11. What stores are required for mounting a gun by parbuckling?
12. What descriptions of powder are used for the service charge of the 64-pr. R. M. L., the 40-pr. R. B. L., the 9-in. R. M. L., the 6-in. B. L.?
13. What are the general duties of a company sergeant major?
14. What are the general duties of a N. C. O. in charge of a guard?



Drill and Driving Competition.

CONDITIONS—SAME AS LAST YEAR.

BATTERY.	No. of Sub-division.	ACTUAL TIME.		Added for Errors. Sec.	CORRECTED TIME.		AVERAGE TIME.		UMPIRE.
		Minutes.	Seconds.		Minutes.	Seconds.	Minutes.	Seconds.	
2nd (Ottawa)	1	2	46	15	3	01			Lt.-Col. Wilson.
	2	2	34 3/5	15	2	49 3/5			
	3	1	22 4/5	20	1	42 4/5			
	4	2	40	30	3	10	2	06 3/4	
8th (Gananoque)	1	2	39	14	2	53			Major Hudon.
	2	2	30	5	2	35			
	3	2	00	8	2	08			
	4	2	07	24	2	31	2	31 3/4	
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	2	3	18	15	3	33			
	3	2	10	5	2	15			
	4	2	17	10	2	27	2	37 1/2	
14th (Durham)	1	2	30	2	30			Major Hudon.
	2	2	49	28	3	17			
	3	2	38	8	2	46			
	4	2	23	3	2	26	2	44 3/4	
17th (Sydney).....	1	2	43 2/5	5	2	48 2/5			Lt.-Col. Montizambert
	2	3	22 1/5	17	3	39 1/5			
	3	2	24 4/5	7	2	31 4/5			
	4	2	46	12	2	58	2	59 7/20	

Report of the Executive Committee.

... FOR 1896-97 ...

1. The adoption of the Rule that the Association year should correspond with the Financial year, whilst most necessary in order to insure that the returns of the competitions of all affiliated units shall be included in the Annual Report of the Association, has, as might be expected at first, caused some delay in the publication of the latter. This delay has been further prolonged owing to the numerous changes which have taken place on the Artillery Staff, and the consequent difficulty in obtaining returns of the various competitions which have taken place during the period from 30th June, 1896, until 30th June, 1897.

2. The following report briefly outlines the work which has been accomplished, the full details of which will be found in the accompanying Annual Report of the Association.

3. *Field Artillery.* The annual training of all the Field Batteries, with the exception of Newcastle, Winnipeg and Shefford, was carried out during June, 1897. The Ranging and Fire Discipline practice of Newcastle and Winnipeg Batteries was carried out at local headquarters during the autumn of 1896, and all the remaining Batteries sent detachments to join in the Artillery practice competitions at Laprairie camp, which were held during the month of September, 1896. Owing to an unfortunate misapprehension of the rules for scoring the points obtained in the fuze-boring and gun-laying competitions on the part of some of the Inspecting Officers, and the subsequent impossibility of re-adjusting the credits, it has been found necessary to eliminate the latter from the general efficiency competition for the year. The 4th Hamilton Battery, Lt.-Colonel Van Wagner, has obtained the much coveted distinction of winning the Governor-General's Prize for this year.

4. *Drill and Driving Competition.* It is to be regretted that only five out of seventeen Batteries entered for this competition, and that one of these five (Woodstock) did not affiliate with the Association for the year. It has been sometimes urged that, in consequence of the great amount of work which has to be got through during the very limited stay in camp,

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there is not sufficient time to prepare for this competition; but as it is, perhaps, the only one which tests the skill of the drivers and the quality of the horses, and as it can be practiced in the preliminary stage without the gun detachments, and is also frequently exhibited, both here and in England, as a test of general smartness, it is to be hoped that, in future, Commanding Officers will take a greater interest in testing the efficiency of their Batteries in this direction.

5. *Garrison Artillery.* Very satisfactory work appears to have been done by this branch of the service, both at local headquarters by the Halifax, St. John and P.E.I. Regiments, and at the Artillery practice camp at the Island of Orleans, Quebec. Full details of these competitions will be found in the Annual Report.

The Garrison Artillery competitions at Shoeburyness, in which the Canadian Artillery detachment participated with so much credit to itself and the Dominion, has been so fully reported upon elsewhere as to render any repetition here superfluous. It may be, however, remarked that one officer (the Adjutant) and ten N.C. officers, of the total of twenty-nine forming the Canadian detachment, were selected from the Field Artillery, and their aptitude in so rapidly and efficiently acquiring the necessary knowledge of Garrison Artillery details, is deserving of special mention.

6. The general efficiency competition for Garrison Artillery was held under the same conditions as the previous year, and was divided into two classes, one for companies on the increased establishment of five officers and ninety to one hundred N.C. officers and gunners, the other for companies on the original establishment of three officers and forty-two N.C. officers and men.

The former was won by No. 1 Company, 2nd Regt., (Montreal), Major King, Comdg, and the latter by No. 1 Company, 3rd Regt., (N.B.) Captain Crawford, Comdg. In both competitions the result is most creditable to all concerned.

7. As a result of the visit of our detachment to England, it was proposed to invite a representative British detachment to take part in our competitions during the present year (1897). The invitation was actually given and accepted, but the celebrations, &c., consequent upon Her Majesty's Jubilee, prevented our intending visitors from being able to organize a detachment, and the competition has in consequence been postponed until 1898.

It will be a matter for consideration, as regards the most suitable locality for holding these competitions. The very limited accommodation as regards range facilities at Quebec, and the preponderance of Garrison Artillery in the Maritime Provinces, would seem to indicate that the latter would be the more suitable locality; and this Committee suggests the advisability of such action being taken by the Council as may seem advisable, with a view to bringing the matter to the attention of the Military authorities.

Signed, T. D. IRWIN, Lt.-Col., *Chairman.*

Lt.-Col. MONTIZAMBERT,	} <i>Members.</i>
“ COTTON,	
“ MACDONALD,	
Captain MACNACHTAN,	
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Secretary's Report.

SIR,—

Herewith is the Annual Report of the Association for the financial year 1896-7, giving details, as far as possible, of the several competitions entered into, together with the accounts to the 15th January, duly audited.

During the period not covered by a Report, the Association attained its majority—completed its twenty-first year—and your Secretary has much pleasure in placing the fact on record.

With this fact, however, has to be placed on the same page, the regrettable one, noting the death of its first President, General Sir E. Selby Smyth, K.C.M.G. Let us hope that his work, and that of those who acted under him in the formation of the Association may be a lasting testimonial of good work rendered to the Canadian Artillery and to Canada.

Attention is drawn to the probability of a visit to Canada of a team of British Volunteer Artillerymen during the year. No time should be lost in making the necessary arrangements for their fitting reception.

Your Secretary desires, before closing, to express his thanks to Colonel Irwin for many acts of kindness, much assistance and advice cheerfully given to him during the time that officer was at the head of the Artillery force.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. DONALDSON, Major,
Secretary.

Annual General Meeting.

Proceedings of an Annual General Meeting held in the Private Bills Committee Room, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa, on Thursday, the 15th of April, 1897.

Lt.-Colonel the Hon. E. Gawlor Prior, M.P., President of the Association, occupied the chair.

Present:—His Excellency the Earl of Aberdeen, Governor General, accompanied by Captain Wilberforce, Queen's Bays, A.D.C.; Major General Gascoigne, Comdg. the Militia, accompanied by Captain McLean, A.D.C.; Sir Donald A. Smith, K.C.M.G.; Colonels Panet, Deputy Minister of Militia; Hon. M. Aylmer, Adjt. General; Lake, Quarter Master General; Lt.-Colonels Duchesnay, Comdg. M. D. No. 7; Otter, Comdg. M. D. No. 2; D. T. Irwin, A. A. G. of Artillery; Montizambert, Inspector of Artillery; Cotton, Inspector of Artillery; d'Orsonnens, Comdg. M. D. No. 6; J. Macpherson, Director of Stores; Frank King, M.D., 7th Field Battery; McKenzie, 8th Field Battery; A. H. Macdonald, Artillery Reserve; D. A. Macdonald, Infantry Reserve; Coutlée; Drury, R.C.A.; Surgeon Lt.-Colonel Campbell, D.S.G.; Mr. Earl, M.P.; Majors Farley, R.C.A.; Bliss, D.A.A.G.; Donaldson, Artillery Reserve; Imlah, R.C.A.; Hibbard, 2nd Regt. C. A.; Hurdman, 2nd Field Battery; Captains Costigan, 3rd Field Battery; Dixon, Engineer Reserve; MacNachtan, Cobourg Co'y; Wynne, Barton, Featherstone and English, 2nd Regt. C. A.; Klock, 2nd Field Battery; Wicksteed, Retired List; Lieutenants Cole and Renouf, 2nd Regt. C. A., &c., &c.

The President, after calling the meeting to order, said the Association might congratulate itself that on the twenty first anniversary—its coming of age, as it were—they were favored with such an attendance. He had seen former annual meetings where the attendance was just as large, numerically, but never had he seen so many heads of Establishments present as there were at this meeting. They were again favored with the presence of His Excellency the Governor General. Lord Aberdeen had shown that he had the good of Canada at heart. He was interested, moreover, in the force, as his attendance indicated. They had also with them a truly representative Canadian (Sir Donald Smith) who had travelled on his merit to one of the very highest positions of honor in the

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service of his country. Although Sir Donald had never stood behind a heavy piece of artillery, he, perhaps, gave that branch of the service as much attention as he did our comrades of the Rifle Association. The absence of the Hon. the Minister of Militia, Dr. Borden, through an unfortunate accident, was much to be deplored. Doctor Borden was, he felt, one of themselves—just the kind of man they had been praying for for years—one who could sympathize with the militia in all their troubles, and who would exert himself to obtain for the force all that lay in his power. He could not get all that the force needed—as a former Minister of the Crown he knew what that meant—but the object before him was a commendable one, to bring the force up to the state of efficiency that is so desirable.

The Annual Report of the Association was not complete yet, for the reason that the competitions have not yet been all carried out. It was issued, however, complete to date in the form of an Appendix, and contained valuable information with which Lt.-Colonel Irwin would deal more fully.

With regard to the Shoeburyness Team, they were fortunate in the selection of men who demonstrated their ability to take part in the defence of the Empire. Credit for their notable exploits was, in the main, due to Lt.-Colonel Cole, of Montreal, for be it known, that without his personal pluck and energy there would have been no team sent over at all. He could congratulate Lt.-Colonel Cole and his team on the way they had upheld the honor of Canada. The team was successful in repository drill, but the highest feather in their cap was carrying off the Queen's Prize. It ought to be a stimulus to bring their batteries up to the highest stage of perfection.

He was extremely sorry that there did not appear to be any chance of sending a team to England this year. The amount of money being expended on sending over troops to participate in the Diamond Jubilee celebration was so considerable as to preclude any further large expenditure by the Federal authorities for this season. The very same cause—the Jubilee celebration—had thrown a block in the way of the English team of Artillerymen visiting Canada this summer. They could not be spared from home, as he had been very sorry to learn at the last moment.

One matter of the very greatest importance had been talked over in Council, and would now be laid before the government. This was the desirability of increasing the vote of Parliament to the Artillery Association. As a military man, leaving politics aside, he was forcibly impressed with the opinion that they had the very best of grounds on which to base their

claim. The Association was made up of hard workers, and it was one of the most efficient branches of the service. Without throwing any reflection on the Rifle Association, it struck him that there was too big a disparity between the grant of \$10,000 to the D. R. A. and of \$2,900 to the Artillery Association. He would like to see the vote raised to at least *five thousand* dollars.

He was sorry that, living so far away from the seat of government, it was not in his power to do as much as he would have liked in his capacity as President, but this much he could say, that he had attempted to form in the far west a regiment which could compete with any in Canada. He had in his hand a resolution which he felt sure would meet with general approbation.

He then moved, seconded by Lt.-Colonel King, "that the thanks of the Association are due to His Excellency the Governor General for his attendance at this meeting and for his generous donations of Cups as prizes for General Efficiency."

The motion was carried unanimously, the members rising.

His Excellency was greeted with applause as he rose to reply. He said he certainly could not have looked for any such cordial expression as had been passed in his favor. His attendance was a performance of duty, and, beyond that, a personal gratification and pleasure. Any share that he might take in the future affairs of the Artillery Association would be more than a mere matter of perfunctory performance. Indeed it would be strange if it were otherwise, for he could scarcely afford to ignore the importance of the occasion that had brought them together. As Colonel Prior had said, this was the coming of age of the Association, and a special *eclat* was lent to the present gathering by reason of the achievements of last year. The distinction won by the Canadian team at Shoeburyness was certainly a source of congratulation. He had taken part in the send-off to the men at Quebec, and had admired then the body of stalwarts who had since proved themselves worthy of the respect they gained. No amount of prowess and skill could have done them more credit than their behaviour as gentlemen. The extremely hearty treatment accorded them in England was at once gratifying and significant. In the Old Country, the feeling of pride in Canada was on the increase. He had noticed this feeling himself, and was sure Sir Donald Smith would back him up.

His Excellency then referred to the special train provided for the members of the team by the London & Northwestern Railway as a special compliment, and to the address of Major Wrenn when the detachment was leaving Shoeburyness. He had written Major Wrenn, thanking

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him for his kindly expression, and was in receipt of a pleasant reply. The whole constituted a red-letter event in the history of the Association. Although no detachment was to be sent over this season, he hoped ten years would not elapse before the Canadians were again represented in the Artillery competitions in England. Concluding, he thanked the Association sincerely for its kind expressions. His Excellency stated that it was his intention to continue his support to this, as also to the Rifle Association, by donating prizes for competition.

It was moved by Lt.-Colonel Cole, and seconded by Captain MacNachtan, "that the thanks of the Association are due and are hereby tendered to the government and to Parliament through the Hon. Sir Richard Cartwright, acting Minister of Militia, for the continuance of the annual grants in aid of the funds of the Association."—Carried.

Colonel Panet, Deputy Minister of Militia, replied on behalf of Sir Richard Cartwright, who was unavoidably prevented from being present. Personally he was supposed to hold the purse strings as close as possible, but ~~he was~~ glad to acknowledge the good work the Artillerymen had accomplished, and would further acknowledge his inclination towards the increase which the Association now asks. Speaking for Hon. Dr. Borden, he could assure those present that he was particularly inclined towards the whole force.

It was moved by Lt.-Colonel Cole, seconded by Captain MacNachtan, "That whereas the Dominion Artillery Association has heretofore been in receipt of the sum of \$2,900, annually voted by Parliament for some time past, firstly intended to meet the expense of sending a team to compete with the Artillery corps of the various portions of the Empire in the competitions annually held at Shoeburyness, and latterly devoted to the general purposes of the Association in promoting efficiency among its units.

"Whereas the above sum has been found inadequate to allow of more than occasional participation in the above competition, and then only when largely assisted by private contributions.

"Whereas the competitions at Shoeburyness, with the opportunities offered, constitute a most valuable source of instruction, and the participation of Canadians in them tends to greatly increase the efficiency of the Artillery service and promote an interest in and strong regard for Canada and Canadians generally.

"Whereas there had been an increase in the number forming the team to compete at Shoeburyness from 21 to 29, thus adding considerable to the expense.

"Whereas, it is most desirable that participation in the competitions at Shoeburyness should be encouraged.

"Whereas, the Association has its present resources overtaxed in providing for transport, maintenance, prizes at the various Field and Garrison Artillery Camps held for the purpose of drill and instruction, as well as annual competitions on Canadian ground, which it is essential to maintain.

"Whereas there are assurances to hand that at an early date a representative team of the National Artillery Association of Great Britain will visit Canada to participate in Artillery competitions here, and the Dominion Artillery Association will thereby be at great outlay to provide the necessary competitions and proper reception and entertainment of these most desired visitors.

"Whereas the Dominion Rifle Association is in receipt of an annual grant of \$10,000.

"That this Association respectfully petition Parliament, through the Hon. the Minister of Militia, to increase their allowance for the above purposes to *one half* the sum granted to the Dominion Rifle Association, viz. \$5,000.

"The above resolution, having been submitted to the Council of the Association, was unanimously adopted and recommended to this meeting." The motion was adopted.

Major General Gascoigne, addressing the meeting, said he had the most extreme sympathy with the Association. Everything about the Association was business-like. It was not his purpose to reflect upon the men whose especial interest lay in rifle shooting. But his observation had led him to this conclusion, that when a man got keen about rifle shooting he was apt to think more of it as a high class game, and forget that, although by his example he was encouraging a good practice, yet there was the practical side that was too often forgotten. At least it could not be said that there was anything like "pot-hunting" in connection with this Association. They had his very best sympathy, and his interest would certainly be used in their behalf. He had promised at the last annual meeting not to forget about the new armament that was required, and he was now in a position to say that six of the Canadian batteries would be supplied with new guns—12 pounders, of B.L. English Horse Artillery pattern with axletree seats. The last heard of them was that they were being inspected in England, and would be sent out to Canada as soon as ready. It was distinctly understood, he added, that these guns were but an instalment of the new armament. As an evidence of this, he might inform the Association that the Minister had made provision in the Estimates for supplying two more batteries with these guns. As regards

their distribution, he had about made up his mind that batteries of six guns each should first be issued to the permanent corps, "A" and "B" Batteries, at Kingston and Quebec, and as for the others, they would be issued to those corps who stood the highest in the roll of efficiency. As regards the needs of the Garrison Artillery, he was glad to be able to inform the meeting that negotiations were going ahead for new supplies to them, including 9-inch R.M.L. guns, 6-inch R.B.L. guns, 12-pr. and 6-pr. quick-firing guns; also some additional 40-pr. R.B.L. guns, and full supplies of ammunition and stores.

Before resuming his seat, he said he had great pleasure in moving, "that Lt.-Colonel Cole, of whose performance so much had been said, be elected to the Presidency of the Association for the coming year."

The motion was seconded by Lt.-Colonel Irwin, who remarked that the Field Batteries would all, with two exceptions, perform their annual drill before the 30th June. He laid stress on this point, as it was most desirable that the drill should be performed in the financial year for which the appropriation was made. He congratulated the Artillery on the progress they were continually making. Under present conditions it simply meant that every unit put in two or three drills for every one which they were paid to attend. He referred to the meeting of the Garrison Artillery at McNab's Island, Halifax, and also to the Laprairie Camp, and concluded by stating that, in his opinion, the Presidency of the Association could not fall into better hands than those of Lt.-Colonel Cole.

Lt.-Colonel Cole returned thanks for the honor paid him.

The Chairman (Lt.-Colonel Prior) requested Sir Donald A. Smith to say a few words. In responding, he said he felt great pleasure in being present at this, the first meeting of the Association which he had ever attended. He recalled an incident of fifty-four years ago, when he had furbished up an old cannon of the time of Jacques Cartier, and, having loaded it, was about to touch it off, when he was persuaded, much against his will, to try a slow match. From a place of shelter, he saw the old weapon burst into a thousand pieces, and blessed the friend who had saved him. He (Sir Donald) had taken a lively interest in the Artillery team when they visited England last year, and added his tribute to what had already been said of them. The English Artillerymen, each and all, rejoiced that the prize should have fallen to their brothers of Canada. Nothing could be more advantageous to both countries than meetings of this kind, and they ought to go further than sending a team like that of last year—would it not be possible to have an interchange in the matter,

sometimes a team from England coming to Canada? Certainly, it would be a source of instruction to both, and he hoped the suggestion might take firm root before long.

To the retiring President a vote of thanks was proposed by His Excellency, seconded by Major General Gascoigne, and carried unanimously, "for the able manner in which he had filled his office for two years."

Lt.-Colonel Prior having replied briefly, Lt.-Colonel Cole then, on motion of Lt.-Colonel A. H. Macdonald, took the Chair.

The election of Vice-Presidents was then proceeded with, and, on motion of Major Bliss, seconded by Captain MacNachtan, the following were elected :—

- Lt.-Colonel Frank King, M.D., St. Catherines, Ont.
- " Longworth, Charlottetown, P.E.I.
- " Coutlée, Ottawa, Ont.
- " Amyrauld, Sweetsburg, Que.

The thanks of the Association were then voted to Lt.-Colonel John Macpherson and to F. E. Knight, Esq., Militia Department, for services as Auditors during the past year, and they were re-elected for the ensuing year.

Moved by Major Hibbard, seconded by Captain MacNachtan :—
 "That the attention of the Government be drawn to the fact that the Garrison Artillery are equipped with obsolete weapons—in some cases over one hundred years old. That in order that this branch of the service should be able to maintain a relative efficiency with the Field Batteries for whom a recent efficient arm is being provided, it is essential they should have a thoroughly modern and serviceable weapon. That in view of the equipment of the infantry and rifle corps with the most approved magazine rifle, and inasmuch as the Garrison Artillery have been generally called upon in cases of active service to take the field as infantry and in all cases participate in the competitions of rifle associations, they should have a similar small arm, or at least be provided with a distinctive weapon, of the kind such as the carbine in use by similar corps in Great Britain,"

After the mover and seconder had addressed the meeting, the motion carried.

On motion of Lt.-Colonel Irwin, seconded by Lt.-Colonel Cotton, the following officers were elected members of Council, viz.: Lt.-Colonel Prior, Lt.-Colonel Macdonald, Lt.-Colonel Lindsay, Lt.-Colonel A. A. Stevenson, Major Bliss and Captain McCrae.

It was moved by Major Hibbard, seconded by Lieut. England, and carried, "that the Executive Committee be recommended to hold the annual artillery practice for Garrison Artillery at Halifax, and as soon after the middle of August as possible. The resolution to apply to units affected."

It was moved by Lt.-Colonel King, seconded by Lt.-Colonel Macdonald, and carried, "that the recommendation from Council *re* 2nd Lieutenants of Field Batteries and that officers, N.C. officers, drivers and horses assemble at least one day before going to camp, be adopted by the Association and recommended to the Department through the proper channels."

It was moved by Lt.-Colonel Cotton, seconded by Lt.-Colonel Montizambert, and carried unanimously, "that the thanks of the Association are due to those gentlemen who so generously came to the assistance of the Association with subscriptions towards the amount necessary to enable it to send the team to Shoeburyness last year, and that those who contributed twenty dollars and upwards be hereby elected life members of the Association."

* On motion of Lt.-Colonel Irwin, seconded by Lt.-Colonel Macdonald, it was decided that the Queen's Cup and the Londonderry Challenge Cup be placed in the custody of the President of the Association for the time being, and that they be brought annually to the General Meeting.

Lt.-Colonel Coutlée gave notice that at the next meeting of the Association he would move that the name of the Association be changed from the "Dominion of Canada Artillery Association" to the "Canadian Artillery Association."

The meeting then adjourned.

J. B. DONALDSON, Major,
Sec'y-Treasurer.



Meeting of Council.

Proceedings of a meeting of Council held in the Private Bills Committee Room, Parliament Buildings, on Monday, 15th April, 1897.

The meeting was called to order at 10.30 a.m., Lt.-Colonel Cole, President of Council, in the Chair.

Present :—Lt.-Colonels Irwin, Montizambert, Cotton, King, McKenzie, A. H. Macdonald, Coutlée, Drury, Bliss, and the Hon. E. G. Prior, M.P.; Majors Hibbard and Hardman; Captain MacNachtan, &c., &c.

A number of matters referred to the Council from the Ontario Artillery Association were introduced by Lt.-Colonel King. After discussion, it was decided to submit the following to the General Meeting,—

1. That Second Lieutenants of Field Batteries be promoted to the position of Lieutenant as soon as they have passed the qualifying examination.

2. That officers, N.C. officers, drivers and horses be assembled at least one day before the day fixed for going to camp.

Lt.-Colonel Cole, Major Hibbard and Captain MacNachtan were appointed a Committee to draft a Resolution *re* increased assistance from the Government to the Association, and other matters. (*See proceedings Annual General Meeting.*)

After further routine business, the Council adjourned to meet after the Annual Meeting.

J. B. DONALDSON, Major,
Secretary.

Meeting of Council.

Minutes of a meeting of Council held in the Private Bills Committee Room, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa, subsequent to the Annual General Meeting, on Thursday, the 15th April, 1897.

Present—Lt.-Colonel Cole, President of Council, in the Chair; Lt.-Colonels Irwin, Montizambert, Cotton, Macdonald, King, Mackenzie, Coullée; Major Hibbard; Captain MacNachtan, &c., &c.

The meeting having been called to order, the election of officers was proceeded with, resulting as follows:—

President of Council—Lt.-Colonel D. T. Irwin.

Vice-Presidents—Major James Maxwell.

Lt.-Colonel H. P. Van Wagner.

Captain Neil F. MacNachtan.

Major Hurdman.

Secretary-Treasurer—Major Donaldson.

Executive Committee—Lt.-Colonel A. H. Macdonald.

Lt.-Colonel D. C. F. Bliss.

Major Hibbard.

Captain MacNachtan.

Arrangement of the details for the carrying out of the prize-meetings with preparation of prize-list, was referred to the Executive Committee.

The disposition of the Turnbull Shield and Mercier trophy was left to the Executive Committee.

J. B. DONALDSON, Major,
Secretary.

Dominion Artillery Association in account

RECEIPTS.

1896.		
Feb. 25—To	balance in Bank of Montreal.....	\$2268 39
	Colonel the Hon. M. Aylmer, membership.....	6 00
	Captain MacNachtan, membership.....	2 00
	R. J. Taylor, Esq., membership.....	2 00
	Montreal Field Battery, affiliation.....	10 00
	Major Hooper, membership.....	2 00
	Major General Gascoigne.....	50 00
	Lt.-Colonel Call, team expenses.....	50 00
	Major Davidson, ".....	50 00
	Lt.-Colonel Cole, ".....	670 00
	Ontario Artillery Association for:—	
	No. 1 Battery, 1st Brigade.....	\$10 00
	No. 2 " ".....	10 00
	Hamilton Battery.....	10 00
	Welland ".....	10 00
	Toronto ".....	10 00
	Durham ".....	10 00
	Ottawa ".....	10 00
	Gananoque ".....	10 00
	R. M. College.....	10 00
	"A" R.C.A.....	10 00
	Cobourg Company.....	6 00
		106 00
	Trustees—interest on mortgage.....	55 00
	Colonel Nicoll, team expenses.....	50 00
	Major Jolly, ".....	50 00
	Lt.-Colonel Curren, ".....	100 00
	Captain Baxter, ".....	100 00
	Lt.-Colonel Longworth, team expenses.....	50 00
	Major Oxley, 1st Regt. affiliation.....	48 00
	Major Oxley, membership.....	2 00
	Major Maltby, ".....	2 00
	Newcastle Field Battery, affiliation.....	10 00
	3rd Regiment, affiliation.....	30 00
	Sydney Battery, ".....	10 00
	4th Regiment, ".....	30 00
	Lt.-Colonel Longworth, membership.....	2 00
	Dominion Govt. grant, 1896-7.....	2900 00
	Lt.-Colonel Irving, membership.....	2 00
	Major Hudon, ".....	2 00
	Major Hudon, affiliation Quebec Company.....	12 00
	Major Drennan, " Kingston Battery.....	10 00
	Major Drennan, membership.....	2 00
	Major Hurdman, ".....	2 00
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DISBURSEMENTS.

1896.

\$2268 39	By Winnipeg Battery, Gen. Efficiency, 1895.....	\$ 25 00
6 00	Hamilton " " " "	40 00
2 00	Durham " S. C. Efficiency, 1895.....	20 00
2 00	London " " " "	10 00
10 00	3rd Regiment, " " " "	5 00
2 00	Toronto Battery, " " " "	8 00
50 00	Hamilton " " " "	18 00
50 00	Shefford " " " "	15 00
50 00	"Citizen," advertising Annual Meeting, 1896.....	2 00
670 00	"Journal," " " " "	2 00
	"Free Press," " " " "	2 00
	Taylor & Gilbert, printing, 1895	96 15
	Ontario Artillery Association grant.....	75 00
	Canadian Military Gazette, advertisement	10 00
	Express charges	9 66
	Commandant of Team	2500 00
	" " " "	300 00
	Montreal Regiment, allowance.....	162 00
	Cobourg Company.....	54 00
	Taylor & Gilbert, circulars, &c.....	14 75
	Canadian Military Gazette, sub. 1895.....	2 00
	Expenses statistical officer, Laprairie	3 25
106 00	Working pay, Island of Orleans, 1896.....	110 75
55 00	1st Regiment, prizes 1896.....	120 00
50 00	3rd Regiment, allowance 1896.....	67 50
50 00	4th Regiment, " " " "	27 00
100 00	3rd Regiment, prizes 1896.....	75 00
100 00	Telephone, Island of Orleans.....	41 35
50 00	W. W. White, badges.....	335 13
48 00	R. M. College, prizes.....	25 00
2 00	Toronto Battery, fuze-boring, &c., 1895.....	12 50
2 00	Cobourg Company, prizes 1896-7	30 00
10 00	Quebec Company, prizes 1896-7.....	50 00
30 00	Welland Battery, Laprairie competition.....	50 00
10 00	Ottawa " " " "	40 00
30 00	Toronto " " " "	30 00
2 00	Kingston " " " "	20 00
2900 00	Quebec Company, allowance.....	20 25
2 00	Lt.-Colonel Cole, team expenses	300 00
2 00	Canadian Military Gazette, subscription.....	2 00
12 00	"Journal" advertising Annual Meeting, 1897.....	2 40
10 00	"Free Press," " " " "	2 20
2 00	"Citizen," " " " "	2 50
2 00	1st Brigade, refund team expenses	50 00
\$6685 39	Carried forward	\$4787 39

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$6685	39
Major Hurdman, team expenses	25	00
Lt.-Colonel Moore, membership	2	00
" Drury, team expenses	25	00
" King, "	25	00
" Cole, affiliation, 2nd Regiment	36	00
" Call, membership 1897	2	00
Major Costigan, "	2	00
Colonel Aylmer, "	2	00
Captain Barton, 2nd Regt., membership 1897 ..	2	00
Lieut. Renouf, " " ..	2	00
Captain Wynne, " " ..	2	00
Lieut. Cole, " " ..	2	00
Major Trotter, " " ..	2	00
Captain Featherstone, " " ..	2	00
Lt.-Colonel McKenzie	2	00
Captain MacNachtan	2	00
Lt.-Colonel Cotton	2	00
Lt.-Colonel Gregory—affn. No. 3 Co'y, 5th Regt. ..	12	00
" 5 & 6 Co's, " ..	24	00
" 1 Co'y, " ..	12	00
No. 4 Co'y, 5th Regt.—affiliation 1896	12	00
Trustees—interest on mortgage	110	00
R.C.A., Quebec, team expenses	100	00
No. 2 Co'y, 5th Regt., affiliation 1896	12	00
Major Crowe, membership 1896	2	00
Captain Baxter, affiliation 3rd Regt. 1897-8	30	00
" Observing competition	3	00
Sydney Field Battery	10	00
Major Crowe, membership 1897-8 ..	2	00
1st Regt., affiliation 1897-8	48	00
Major Oxley, membership 1897-8	2	00
Lt.-Colonel F. M. Cole, refund team expenses ..	80	45
Newcastle Battery, affiliation	10	00
Major Maltby, membership	2	00
Captain Baxter, Observing competition ..	1	00
Lt.-Colonel Wilson, R.C.A., membership	2	00
" Gregory, 1st Bn. 5th Regt. affn. 1897-8 ..	36	00
Quebec Battery, acct. affiliation 1896-8	16	00
Quebec Company, "	12	00
Ontario Artillery Association for :—		
R. M. College	\$10	00
"A" R.C.A.	10	00
Ottawa Battery	10	00
Gananoque Battery	10	00
Durham "	10	00
Toronto "	10	00
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$60	00
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TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—Continued.

	<i>Brought forward</i>	\$4787 39
\$6685 39	Allowance and expenses Secretary 1896.....	325 00
25 00	2nd Regiment, Gen. Efficiency, 1896-7.....	30 00
2 00	1st " " ".....	20 00
25 00	3rd " " ".....	50 00
25 00	1st Bn., 5th Regiment, gun practice.....	90 00
36 00	2nd " " ".....	90 00
2 00	4th Regiment, allowance.....	33 00
2 00	" " gun practice.....	75 00
2 00	3rd Regiment, allowance.....	67 50
2 00	R. M. College, prize 1897-8.....	25 00
2 00	Quebec Company, allowance.....	19 50
2 00	No. 2 By., 1st Brigade, S. C. Efficiency, 1896.....	15 00
2 00	Durham Battery, ".....	10 00
2 00	Gananoque Battery, ".....	8 00
2 00	Allowance for subsistence, Orleans camp, 1897.....	249 75
2 00	2nd Regiment, gun practice 1896-7.....	60 00
2 00	Toronto Battery, fuze-boring, &c., 1896-7.....	12 50
12 00	Montreal " " ".....	12 50
24 00	1st Brigade, " " ".....	25 00
12 00	Secretary, 1897.....	300 00
12 00	Hamilton Battery, fuze-boring, &c., 1896-7.....	12 50
110 00	Welland " " ".....	12 50
100 00	Durham " " ".....	12 50
12 00	Ottawa " " ".....	12 50
2 00	Gananoque " " ".....	12 50
30 00	Newcastle " " ".....	12 50
3 00	Sydney " " ".....	12 50
10 00	Quebec " " ".....	12 50
2 00	3rd Regiment, S. C. Efficiency.....	15 00
48 00	Hamilton Battery, ".....	10 00
2 00	No. 2 By., 1st Brigade—2nd General Efficiency.....	40 00
80 45	Ottawa Battery—3rd General Efficiency.....	25 00
10 00	Toronto Battery—4th General Efficiency.....	15 00
2 00	Ottawa " 1st Drill and Driving, and 1st Detach't	40 00
1 00	Gananoque By.—2nd ".....	25 00
2 00	Taylor & Gilbert, printing circulars, &c.....	19 75
36 00	" " printing Annual Report.....	134 40
16 00	Postage and telegrams.....	3 25
12 00	Balance in Bank of Montreal.....	\$3698 80
	Uncashed cheque.....	12 50
	Balance credit.....	3686 30

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—*Continued.*

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No. 1, 1st Brigade	10 00	
No. 2, 1st Brigade	10 00	
Hamilton Battery.	10 00	
Welland Battery.....	10 00	
Cobourg Company	6 00	
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4th Regiment, affiliation		30 00
Captain Baxter, observing competition		2 00
Dominion Govt. grant, 1897-8.....		2900 00
Lt.-Colonel Longworth, membership.....		2 00
Captain Davison, membership		2 00
Major Mead, membership		2 00
Quebec Battery, balance of affiliation.		4 00
Montreal Battery, affiliation.....		10 00
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APPENDIX "A."

From Major C. W. Drury, R.C.A., Umpire-in-Chief Field Artillery Practice, Laprairie, to Lt.-Col. J. F. Wilson, R.C.A., Commanding Field Artillery Practice Camp, Laprairie.

KINGSTON, 14th January, 1895.

SIR,—As umpire-in-chief, I have the honour to submit the following report upon the Field Artillery Practice held at Laprairie in September last:

Objects of the Practice. The object of the practice at Laprairie was to obtain effective fire from the field batteries of the Active Militia, and to test the capabilities of the several officers in command, while providing instruction for all ranks by daily criticism of the work performed by them.

Fire Discipline. The first condition for effective fire is "fire discipline." Fire discipline has been defined as "that condition of training and discipline " which gives the commander complete control of the fire of the battery " under all the changing circumstances of battle."

The control of fire is dependent on the Commanding Officer, and before a battery can produce the maximum effect of fire, it must be perfectly drilled and disciplined, or, in other words, the ordinary training of the soldier is the foundation on which fire discipline and the consequent fire effect must be built up. The results of the recent practice showed that the batteries which obtained most credits for fire discipline, as a rule, secured the highest proportion of hits. Consequently, the success of a battery at the targets greatly depends upon the power of the commander to direct its fire.

Time. Time is a most important factor in determining the effect produced by a battery in action.

I would suggest that every Commanding Officer make a careful study and comparison of the several records of time taken at the Laprairie practice.

The average time for twelve batteries taken for each series, taken from the word "action" to "first gun," was as follows: 1st series, 1' 52 5/12"; 2nd 1' 18 1/3"; 3rd, 1' 42 3/4". This was very fair for muzzle-loading guns, but as the conditions and view of the targets were the same for all,

the variation between the maximum and minimum in each series seems altogether too great.

The serious consequences which might occur from a battery being silent after the guns are brought into action is a matter that cannot be too forcibly impressed upon all ranks.

The "deliberate method" of coming into action gives ample time for preparation; therefore, there is no excuse for delay in firing the first gun.

The firing in both natures of fire was slow. Unnecessary delays, for various reasons, occurred when changing from common to shrapnel. In no case did a battery approach the time limits allowed for the series, *i.e.*, two rounds per minute. It was deemed advisable not to enforce the penalty in the time limit rule this year, owing to the conditions of the practice being so new to all; next year, however, I would recommend its being rigidly observed, and the battery deprived of any rounds it may not have fired within the time allowed.

Occupation of Position. It is much to be regretted that the nature of the ground did not permit of testing the capacity of the several Commanding Officers in reconnoitring and selecting positions, or in the choice of method of coming into action; since the uniformity of Laprairie Common was such that it precluded the possibility of such test. The umpires, therefore, besides pointing out the general alignment of the battery, directed that the "deliberate method" should be followed in the first and second series and the "direct" in the third. In connection with this subject I would remark that the employment of the "deliberate method" under the conditions existing at Laprairie, in the second series, is hardly in accordance with the spirit of the instructions. As the target was plainly visible and the range comparatively short, there was nothing to be gained by adopting the "deliberate method," yet for the sake of instruction and for testing of the knowledge of the Commanding Officers in this method, it proved useful.

Series III—"The Direct Method." Although it was evident that one or two Commanding Officers thoroughly understood what was required, the situation was not grasped by the section commanders and gun layers, clearly demonstrating the want of training in their duties.

Ranging. The ranging with common shell was good, but in most cases the corrections for "fuze-finding" with shrapnel were quite wrong. As a rule, the ranging at the infantry target was very slow. This was especially the case when "fuze finding." When a battery is exposed to infantry fire it is evident that the rate of fire of a battery must be the highest possible, if an effect is to be produced.

A frequent cause of delay was that battery commanders waited to see the result of the first pair of shrapnel before giving out the next length of fuze, whereas it would have been quite within the instructions to give out a length for each section, one of which at the short range would, no doubt, have been correct.

Observation of Fire. Observation of fire is a matter requiring anxious thought and long practice. Its difficulties are not always appreciated by those who criticise the fire effects of artillery.

The observation of fire was not particularly good; commanders did not make use of observers to assist them. In many cases section commanders were noticed watching the results of the shots, consequently neglecting the supervision of their detachments.

Concentration and Distribution of Fire. In series II. the target was "Artillery" placed at short range.

In series III it represented an attack of infantry.

As a rule, concentrated fire was maintained throughout the practice at both these targets.

Only one Commander thought of distributing his fire. So marked was the concentration that in one instance in series III., during "ranging," several dummies were knocked down in the centre of the line of infantry, but the fire was maintained at the gap, leaving the dummies on the flanks untouched.

A study of clause III, page 97, Field Artillery Drill, respecting distribution, would be desirable.

Suggestions. It is to be hoped that the practice of next year will include a series to fire from behind cover. This is now a most important feature of artillery warfare. It could be admirably carried out at Laprairie by using the railway embankment as cover.

I would also recommend that a longer period be allowed for the camp. The pressure of work this year was too great for the time allotted to it.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

C. W. DRURY, Major, R.C.A.,
Umpire-in-Chief.

Report of Lt.-Col. C. W. Drury, upon the Field Artillery Practice
at Laprairie, 1896.

KINGSTON, 1st December, 1896.

To Lt.-Col. J. F. Wilson, R.C.A.,
Comdg. Camp, Laprairie.

SIR,—As Chief Instructor I have the honour to submit the following report upon the Field Artillery Practice held at Laprairie in September last:

Owing to the condition of the second meeting at Laprairie being so much like the first, it leaves me but little new matter to touch upon. I propose to divide my remarks into two parts:—

1st. A comparison between this and the first meeting, noting progress under the several headings of my former report.

2nd. New matter.

In regard to the former:—

Objects of the Practice. These were about the same, but I feel they were better understood than at the former meeting.

Fire Discipline. A decided improvement was noticed in this. All ranks appear more fully to appreciate their responsibilities.

Time. An advance was made in the rapidity in firing first gun. The comparison is as follows:—

	Series 1.	Series 2.	Series 3.
1894	.....1.52"	.....1.18"	.....1.42"
1896	.....1.46"	.....1.16"	.....1.10"
	Shortest, 0.52" Longest, 2.39"		

A comparison by those interested of other records is desirable.

Occupation of Position. It is difficult to make any criticism on this feature, for the same reasons as were mentioned last year. However, it was noticed that the majority of C.O's were not particular enough in seeing that the alignment of the battery was at right angles to the line of fire. The objections to an oblique alignment are obvious.

Series III—"The Direct Method." This was much better performed than at the first meeting.

Ranging. The same remarks apply this year.

One or two C.O's followed the plan of giving two lengths of fuze at the same time to different sections; the results were excellent, and much time was saved thereby.

Observation of Fire. Observation, with one or two exceptions, was again faulty. A few Commanding Officers were so intent in watching the target that for several seconds they failed to see the signals of their section commanders.

Concentration and Distribution. The same remarks apply this year. A study of the diagram of hits in the several series will explain my meaning. This year, to encourage distribution, points were only allowed for one hit; but last year all hits were counted.

PART II. NEW MATTER.

1. A rigid adherence to regulation methods advised.
2. The introduction of a moving target.
3. The substitution of a time for an ammunition limit.
4. Fire from behind cover.

1st. *Adherence to Regulation Methods.* A strict adherence to regulation methods is of more importance than is sometimes considered.

There may be, for instance, better ways of ranging a battery than that which is in our drill book; but it must be remembered that the drill book is the result of the collective experience of many years. If there was no such thing as casualties, there would be little harm in each Commanding Officer elaborating a system for himself. Unfortunately we are all mortal, therefore, what could be more disastrous on service than the sudden accession to command of a Major with a system of his own, totally different from that in which the battery had been drilled.

A special system would be objectionable too, when a battery drilled to it compose part of a brigade division—it would lead to confusion which should be avoided. This illustrates how careful all should be to ignore special systems.

For service purposes it is impossible to exaggerate the importance of a rigid adherence to the drill book.

The few differences in ranging which were noticed arose from a want of the full appreciation of that which is compiled for our guidance, and not from a desire to introduce something which was considered more effective.

A very noticeable difference in the drill of the C.O.'s was observed in the handling of the battery from the camp to the range; but as this hardly came within the term "Fire Discipline," no marks were deducted for errors. Next year it is proposed to note all errors from the time the battery leaves camp until it returns.

2nd. *Moving Target.* The introduction of the moving target was an important feature of the meeting, and was a high test of the C.O.'s capability to direct and control the fire.

In many batteries there was a slackening of fire discipline when the target commenced its advance; this was generally due to the C.O. giving *casual directions* instead of *explicit orders*.

By all means adhere to the familiar orders of the drill book.

3rd. *Time v. Ammunition Limit*. This system was decided upon with two objects in view:—

1. Variation from last year's system.
2. Experimental test.

In regard to the latter, it was found that those batteries which practiced at Laprairie in 1894, and also those practicing at headquarters, never attained the rate of fire expected of them, *i.e.* two rounds per minute, as laid down in Paragraph 22 of the Instructions for Practice, 1895.

Since this rate was never attained, it left a doubt in the minds of those who compiled the instructions, whether this was possible; but the practice this year proved, beyond a doubt, that this was not only possible, but by many batteries a very much higher rate was reached: at the same time control and regularity of fire was maintained. This was, no doubt, due to a careful study by the C.O.'s of the drill, in order to take every advantage of the unlimited supply of ammunition provided for in the instructions.

A comparison of time and expenditure of this year with that of the previous meeting is recommended.

	1st Series.	2nd Series.
1894....	Rounds, 20; Time, 19' 14"	Rounds, 18; Time, 15' 57"
1896....	" 25 " 15 ..	" 28 " 15

This demonstrates that delays in the former year were not justified. While the expenditure of the latter is not quite up to the Imperial average.

Results. Take the 3rd series in both meetings, range and target being the same. In 1894, 12.42 men were hit in 11' 26", with an average expenditure of 20 rounds per battery. In 1896, 16.91 men were hit in 11', with an average expenditure of 20 rounds per battery.

There were a greater number of hits this year. It will also be observed that the proportion of men hit per shell was slightly greater.

Failure to distribute the fire was the principal cause of more men not being hit.

Ammunition. The total expenditure of ammunition was as follows:—

292 common shell
651 shrapnel shell
125 case shot

or an average of 89 rounds per battery, 7 rounds per battery under the estimated expenditure.

4th. *Fire from behind Cover.* Instruction was given in this series after the battery reached the firing point under cover.

Most of the layers had never seen a clinometer, but after a few directions in setting and reading, practice was commenced. The results were excellent. Laying with the clinometer eliminated all personal variation, and illustrated how much the C.O.'s task in ranging is simplified by positive uniform laying. It is desirable that the batteries should be issued with clinometers, to enable all ranks to become familiar with their use. A competitive series could then be introduced.

General Remarks. It was noticed that the wearing of capes by the section commanders, Nos. 1 and Nos. 4, was objectionable; on many occasions, at important moments, the capes were blown over their heads by the wind, thereby preventing signals being seen.

I beg to forward herewith, the scores and marks awarded for Fire Discipline, also a record of ammunition expended, and a diagram of hits for each battery. It would be most desirable to have these printed for distribution, as they are both instructive and most interesting for comparison.

I have &c..

(Sd) C. W. DRURY, Lt.-Col. R.C.A.,
Umpire and Chief Instructor.

Return of Battery Practice, Field

September 23rd to

BATTERY.	Series	Time from Action to				Rate of Ord. Fire	Range, yds	No. of Rounds Fired		Hits
		1st Gun	1st Time Shrap	Ord Fire	End of Series			Com	Shrap	
3rd. Montreal	I	1 20	5 45	6 55	15	15"	1550	9	26	0
	II	1 17	8 00	14 00	..	..	1350	14	16	9
	III	1 15	1 15	.. ..	..	..	1400	..	23	18
									Mov'g	target
15th. Shefford.....	I	2 39	10 52	.. ..	..	..	2125	9	6	0
	II	2 33	6 58	.. ..	..	..	1250	8	12	7
	III	1 25	8 57	10 59	..	15	1150	8	17	21
									Mov'g	target
1st. Quebec.....	I	2 37	7 57	12 20	..	15	2150	8	15	1
	II	1 35	6 50	10 45	..	..	1295	10	18	16
	III	1 30	8 50	10 30	..	..	1050	8	16	21
									Mov'g	target
7th. Welland Canal.....	I	1 35	5 45	10 10	..	15	2025	6	26	8
	II	50	7 15	8 40	..	15	1350	12	26	29
	III	50	5 45	7 32	..	15	1100	8	18	55
									Mov'g	target
6th. London.....	I	2 00	10 40	14 15	..	20	2350	12	12	2
	II	1 25	7 15	11 15	..	20	1300	12	14	16
	III	1 10	5 35	8 15	..	20	1350	10	14	39
									Mov'g	target
16th. Guelph, B	I	1 50	6 50	10 35	..	15	2025	6	18	3
	II	58	4 59	7 10	..	..	1225	8	24	8
	III	1 10	5 10	9 45	..	..	1300	6	17	30
									Mov'g	target
11th. Guelph, A.....	I	2 15	10 10	.. ..	..	15	2075	6	4	1
	II	2 20	6 25	14 40	..	..	1325	6	13	3
	III	1 10	5 45	9 10	1200	6	16	27
									Mov'g	target

Artillery Practice Camp, La Prairie.

October 6th. 1896.

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	Hits	Men				Possible	Gained	Lost	Full Marks 100 Gained		
	0	0	9			36	..	8			
	9	6	27	.23	.20	54	12	3			
	18	14	45	.76	.58	90	28	5	84 +	20	= 104
target	0	0					0				
							40				
	0	0	9			36	..	9			
	7	6	27	.3	.2	54	12	3			
	21	11	45	.8	.6	90	22	2	86 +	18	= 104
target	2	2					2				
							36				
	1	1	9	.1	.1	36	4	7			
	16	12	27	.45	.45	54	24	6			
	21	13	45	.8	.4	90	26	5	82 +	27	= 109
target	0	0					0				
							54				
	8	7	9	.25	.28	36	28	3			
	29	18	27	.76	.47	54	36	2			
	55	18	45	2.1	.7	90	36	3	92 +	56	= 148
target	12	12					12				
							112				
	2	2	9			36	8	7			
	16	8	27	.6	.3	54	16	3			
	39	22	45	1.6	.9	90	44	2	88 +	35.5	= 123.5
target	3	3					3				
							71				
	3	3	9	.125	.125	36	12	5			
	8	7	27	.25	.2	54	14	6			
	30	16	45	1.3	.7	90	32	5	84 +	36.5	= 120.5
target	15	15					15				
							73				
	1	1	9	.1	.1	36	4	13			
	3	2	27	.16	.16	54	4	6			
	27	19	45	1.23	.85	90	38	17	64 +	24.5	= 88.5
target	3	3					3				
							49				

RETURN OF BATTERY PRACTICE,

BATTERY.	Series	Time from Action to				Rate of Ord. Fire	Range, yds	No. of Rounds Fired		
		1st Gun	1st Time Shrap	Ord Fire	End of Series			Com	Shrap	
14th. Durham	I	1 25	10 10	15 00	15	15"	2200	6	6	
	II	1 15	5 50	10 30	..	..	1250	6	19
	III	1 25	9 45	11 40	..	..	1135	8	8 Mov'g
2nd. Ottawa	I	50	5 10	7 40	..	15	2075	8	30	
	II	45	5 05	9 55	..	..	1275	10	27
	III	55	4 15	8 48	..	..	1250	..	8 p.s. 23 t.s. 18 c'se Mov'g
9th. Toronto	I	1 10	5 05	6 40	..	15	2100	6	26	
	II	40	6 15	9 40	..	..	1450	12	22
	III	1 18	6 20	8 15	..	..	1200	10	19 13 c'se Mov'g
8th. Gananoque	I	1 15	5 25	12 45	..	15	2300	5	15	
	II	1 15	4 15	11 20	..	..	1350	7	19
	III	1 20	5 15	8 35	..	..	1300	7	15 10 c'se Mov'g
5th. Kingston	I	1 20	6 05	8 20	..	15	2100	6	18	
	II	1 23	6 00	8 50	..	..	1325	6	24
	III	1 10	5 45	8 20	1200	6	18 6 c'se Mov'g	
Average	I	1 46	7 34	8 48	} 15					
	II	1 16	6 22	9 45						
	III	1 10	6 03	8 26						
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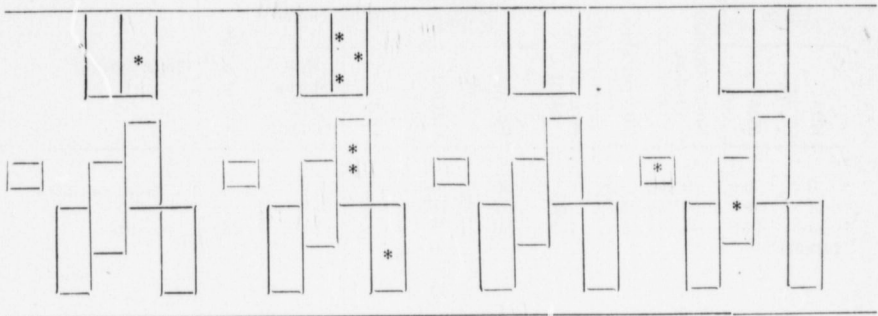
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	Hits	Men				Possible	Gained	Lost	Full Marks 100 Gained		
Shrap	0	0	9	36	..	8			
of Fired	14	9	27	.56	.36	54	18	8			
Shrap	14	14	45	.88	.88	90	28	5	79 +	23	= 102
Mov'g	target	0					0				
							46				
	3	2	9	..	..	36	8	4			
	18	14	27	.5	.38	54	28	1			
8 p.s.	}	13	45	1.8	.42	90	26	0	95 +	43.5	= 138.5
23 t.s.		target	25					25			
18 c'se							87				
Mov'g											
	3	3	9	..	..	36	12	6			
26	18	11	27	.53	.2	54	23	2			
22	39	26	45	1.34	.9	90	52	6	86 +	44.5	= 130.5
19	target	2					2				
13 c'se							89				
Mov'g											
	1	1	9	..	..	36	4	11			
15	10	8	27	.4	.3	54	16	8			
19	27	19	45	1.2	.87	90	38	4	77 +	32	= 109
15	target	6					6				
10 c'se							64				
Mov'g											
	9	36	24	7			
18	27	.43	.33	54	20	4			
24	45	.2	.75	90	36	4	85 +	41.5	= 126.5
18	target	3					3				
6 c'se							83				
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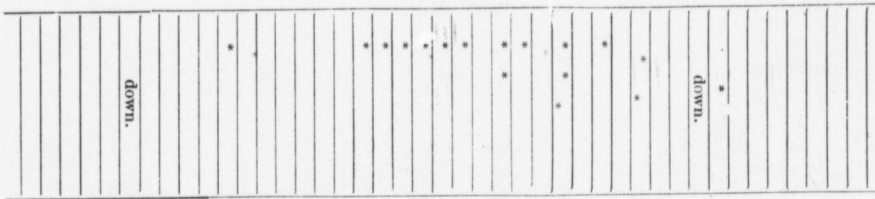
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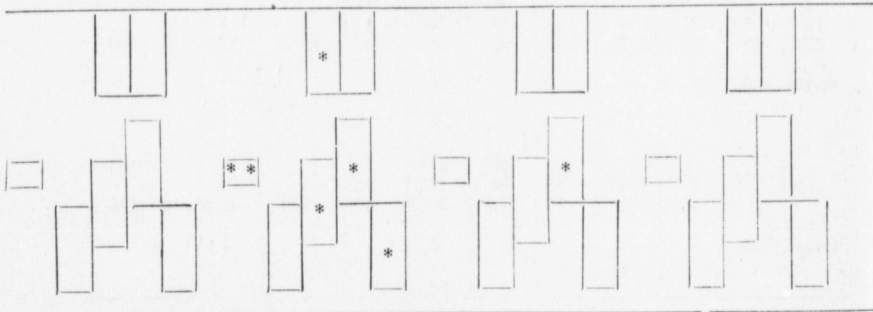


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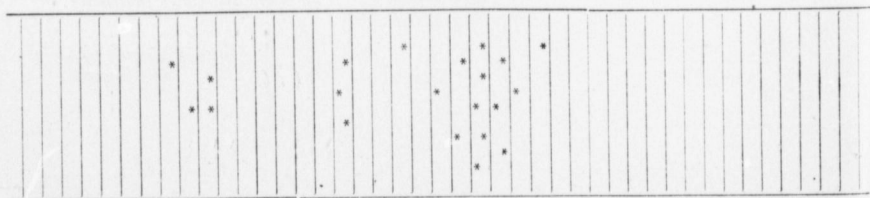


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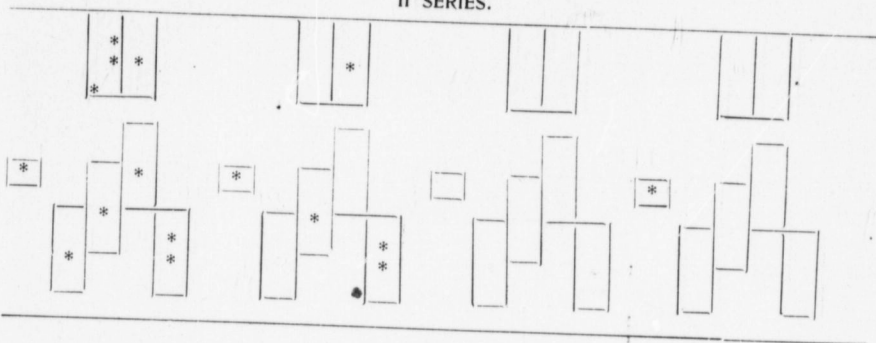


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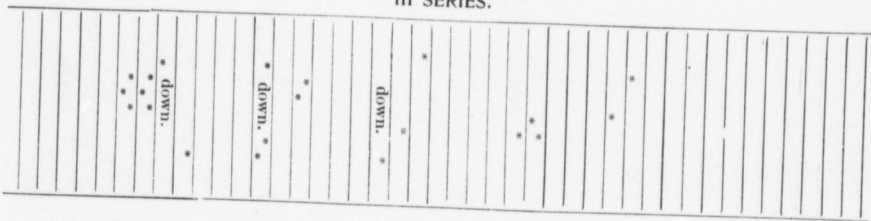


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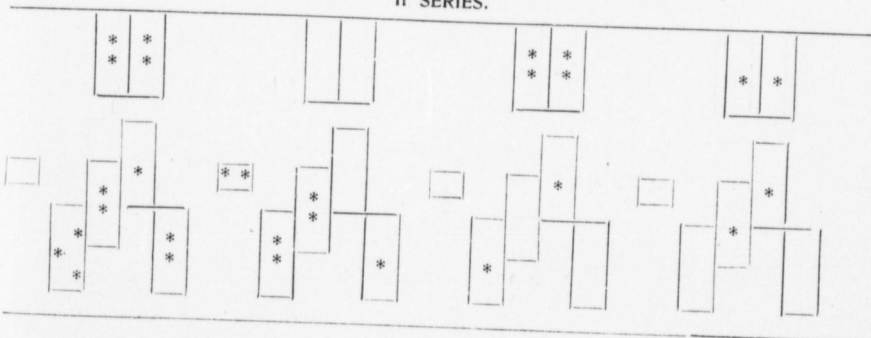


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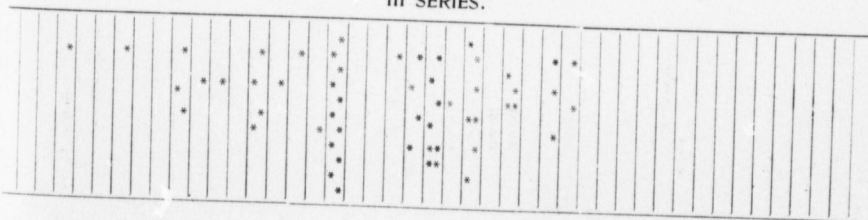


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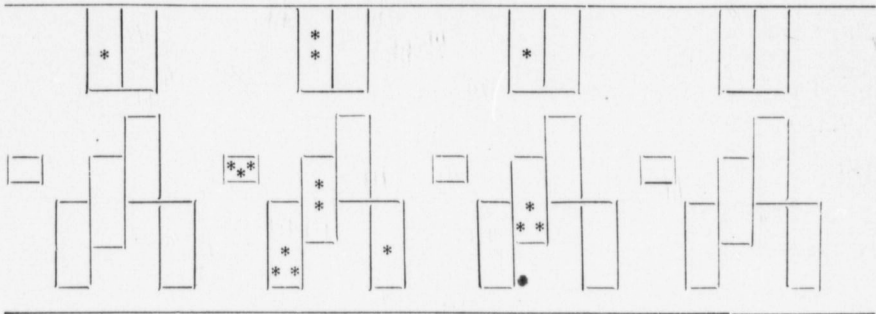


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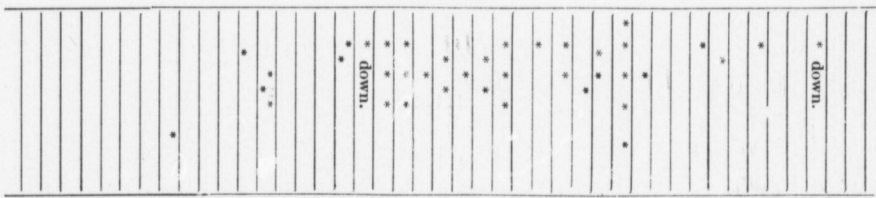


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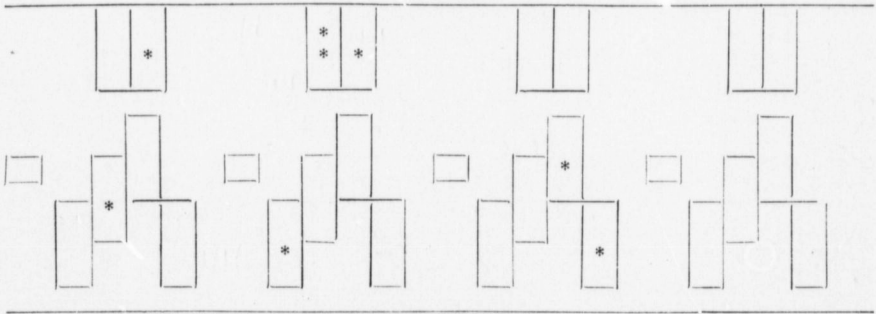


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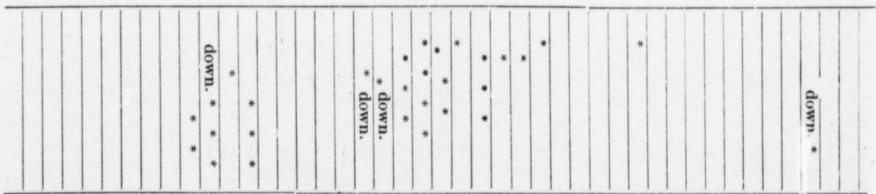


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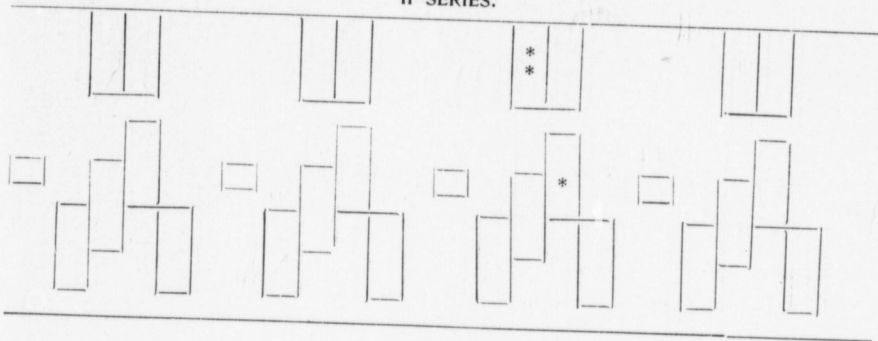


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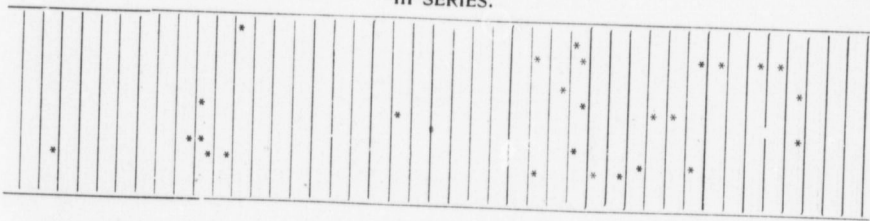


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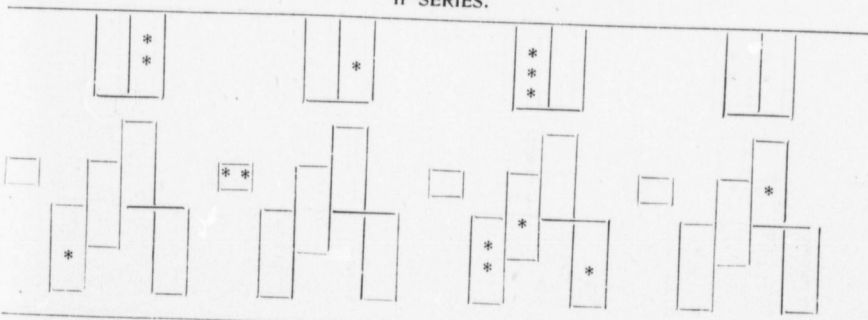


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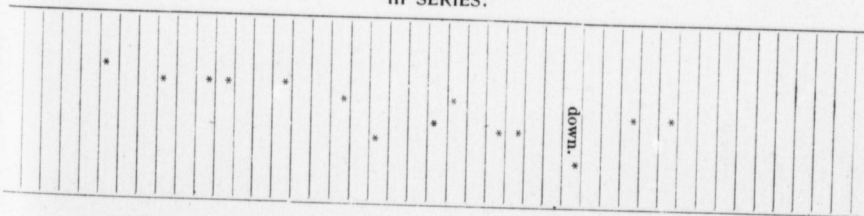


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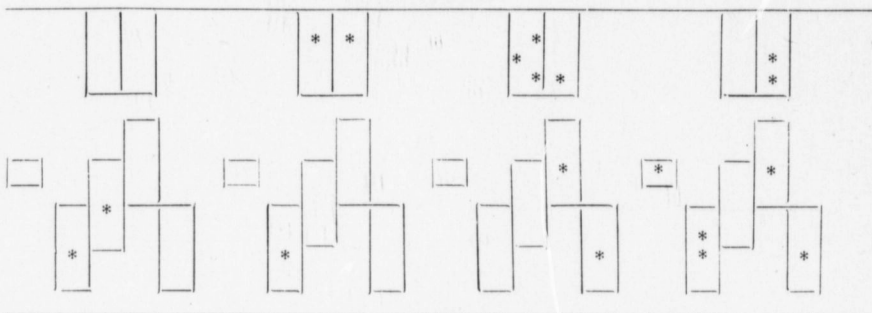


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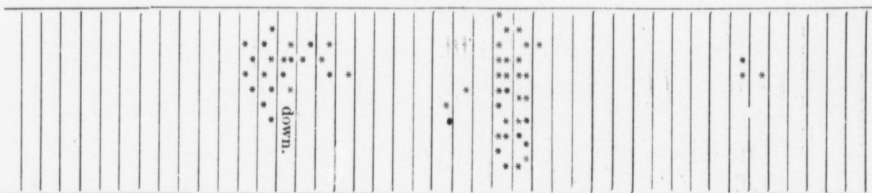


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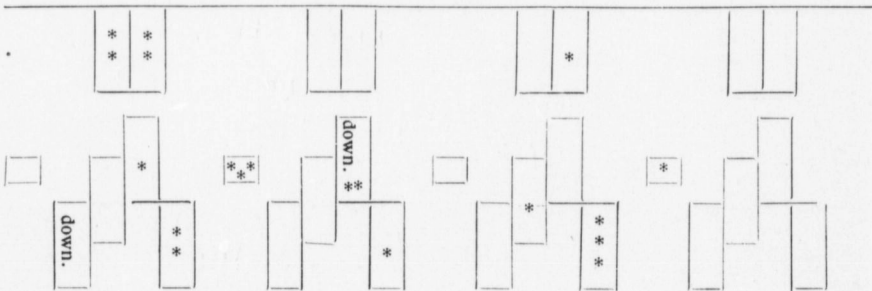


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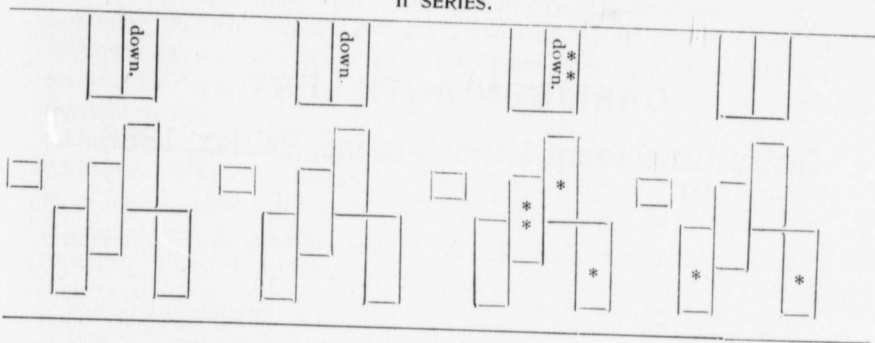


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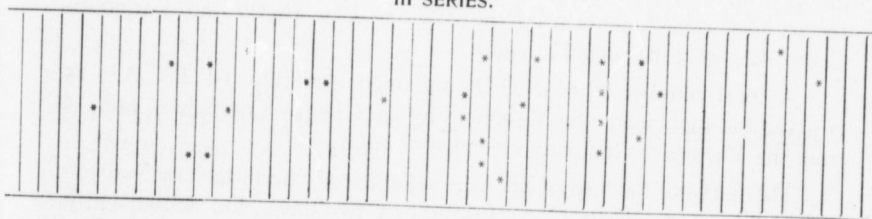


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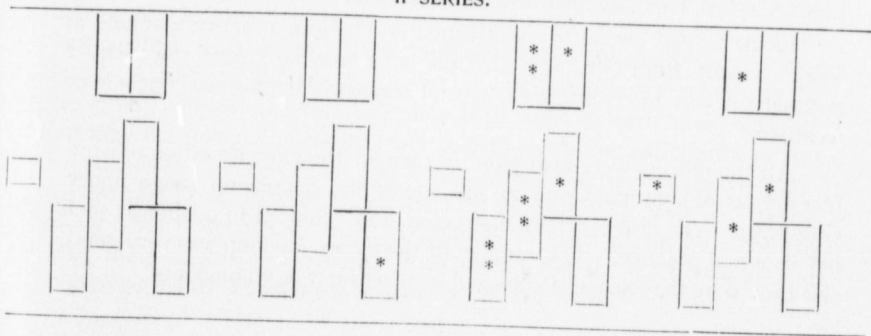


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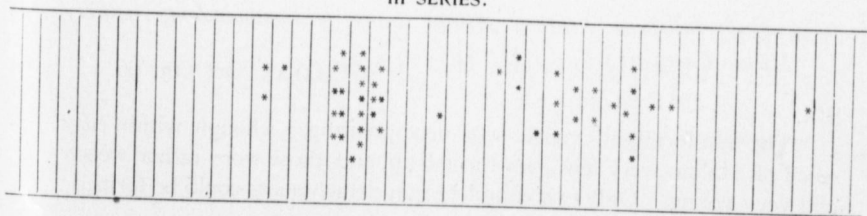


FIFTH FIELD BATTERY—KINGSTON.

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APPENDIX "B."

GARRISON ARTILLERY

Instructional Camp, McNab's Island, Halifax, 1896.

Lieut.-Col. Montizambert, R.C.A., Inspector of Artillery, who was in command of the camp, reports as follows, viz. :—

The camp was formed on the 14th Sept., and attended by detachments from the 1st Regt., C.A., until the 26th Sept. From the 26th Sept. to 6th Oct. detachments from the Mahone Bay, Digby and Yarmouth Companies were instructed in camp.

A total number of 86 N.C.O. and men from the 1st R.C.A. ; 25 N.C.O. and men from the Mahone Bay and Digby Companies, and 12 from the Yarmouth Company attended at camp.

The duties of medical officer were satisfactorily performed by Surgeon Major Almon, 1st Regt. C. A., for the first two days, and subsequently by Surgeon C. Jones, 1st C.A., and Staff Surgeon Lt.-Col. Tobin. D.S.G. Capt. Benson, R.C.A., acted as camp adjutant and quartermaster, and Lieut. Cayley, R.A., as chief instructor, assisted by four sergeants, R.A.

Lieut. Cayley's reports are attached :—The gun practice was held at York redoubt from 9-in. R.M.L. guns at a moving target towed by a steamer ; it was interrupted on several occasions by fog and inclement weather.

All the officers were instructed in turn in the exercise of administrative details of command, and in the use of the depression range finder. Gun-layers were also specially instructed and required to qualify as such before actual practice. The conduct of the troops in camp was very good, and they bore the excessive cold and heat without any complaint.

From Chief Instructor, Artillery Militia Camp, to Commandant, Artillery Militia Camp :—

HALIFAX, Oct. 6th, '96.

SIR,—

The first fortnight's course was disappointing. Though within easy reach of Halifax very few men turned up, and those were rather weedy and very young. Only two complete gun detachments could be formed :

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those practiced on Friday, 18th, firing five rounds a detachment ; results were poor. The officers were very keen and picked up their work quickly, but most of them seemed to have great difficulty in getting away ; a subaltern was a " Rara Avis " in camp, though two were always present on practice days. The same detachments practically fired on Oct. 24th thirteen rounds in all ; the officers were much the same, Major Hesslein taking Major Stewart's place as battery commander, and Capt. Parker taking Mr. Grierson's place as gun group commander ; a marked improvement was apparent and the shooting was much better. In going over the practice report afterwards most errors were attributable to fault of gun captains. I hope that next year it can be arranged to make the men do their twelve days' training in camp, or half of it anyway, then we hope for good results and an efficient regiment.

(Sgd.) A. M. CAYLEY,
Lieut. R. A.

From Chief Instructor, Artillery Militia Camp, to Commandant, Artillery Militia Camp :—

HALIFAX, Oct. 6th, 1896.

SIR,—

The detachments from Mahone Bay, Digby and Yarmouth were fine men and looked like work ; they were most unfortunately treated to bad weather, and, in consequence, much practical instruction was lost ; nevertheless, they learned quickly and well, showing a healthy spirit of competition against each other. They mustered 5 gun detachments, Mahone Bay, 2 ; Digby, 2 ; Yarmouth, 1 ; but only practiced two at a time, as the gun group commanders had had such little time to learn their work in, that they felt unequal to taking more than one gun, and with that they had their hands full. Capt. Ernst and Lieut. Daly took turn as battery commander and D. R. Finder. All the officers were very keen and painstaking. Each detachment fired five rounds (forty in all) on Monday, 5th Oct. ; the practice was extremely good, considering the short training and poor target which was almost invisible at times.

(Sgd.) A. M. CAYLEY,
Lieut. R.A.

(Sgd.) C. E. MONTIZAMBERT,
Lt.-Colonel R. C. A.,
Camp Commandant.

Practice Report of 1st Regt. C. A., Mahone Bay, Digby and Yarmouth Companies, Garrison Artillery, while at Instructional Camp, McNab's Island, Halifax, 1896.

FIRST SERIES—1ST REGT. C. A.

No. of Round.	Gun.	D. R. F. Reading.	Correction.	Dial Range.	Difference.	Gun Range.	Deflection.	Direction Judged from Battery.	Elevation Judged from Range.	Value of Rounds.	Remarks.
1	B 1	2000	.....	2000	-25	1975	10 R	Line	+ 40	0	
2	A 1	2200	+100	2100	-75	2050	10 R	Line	70	0	
2	B 1	2500	+100	2600	-75	2525	5 L	Line	150	0	
4	A 1	2450	+ 50	2500	-75	2425	5 L	60' R	30	0	*
5	B 1	2450	+ 50	2500	-25	2475	8 L	Line	100	0	
6	B 1	2350	.....	2350	-25	2325	10 R	Line	250	0	†
7	A 1	2600	.....	3600	-100	2500	8 L	Line	50	0	
8	B 1	2600	.....	2600	-75	2525	10 R	Line	19	Hit	
9	A 1	2300	.....	2300	-50	2250	8 L	Line	80	0	
10	A 1	2200	.....	2200	-50	2150	10 R	Line	Range	Hit	

* Gun Layer not on Target. † Gun Captain put on 200 too little on Gun. Gun Captains not up to their work.

SECOND SERIES—1ST REGT. C. A.

No. of Round.	Gun.	D. R. F. Reading.	Correction.	Dial Range.	Difference.	Gun Range.	Deflection.	Direction Judged from Battery.	Elevation Judged from Range.	Value of Rounds.	Remarks.
1	D 1	2550	.....	2550	.....	2550	8 L	Line	+ 5	Hit	* }
2	D 2	2550	.....	2550	.....	2550	8 L	Line	100	0	
3	D 1	2450	+50	2500	-25	2475	8 R	Line	Target	Hit	
4	D 2	2550	+50	2550	.....	2550	8 R	Line	Target	Hit	
5	D 1	2450	+50	2500	-25	2475	5 L	Line	40	Hit	
6	D 2	2400	+50	2450	.....	2450	5 L	Line	Target	Hit	
7	D 1	2400	+50	2450	.....	2450	8 R	Line	100	0	†
8	D 2	2400	+50	2450	.....	2450	8 R	Line	50	Hit	
9	D 1	2600	+50	2650	-25	2625	5 R	Line	50	0	‡
10	D 2	2650	+50	2700	.....	2700	5 R	Line	Target	Hit	
11	D 2	2550	+50	2550	.....	2550	5 R	Line	30	Hit	
12	D 2	2550	+50	2550	.....	2550	5 R	100 Rt	15	0	§
13	D 2	2600	+50	2700	.....	2700	5 L	Line	75	Hit	||

* Both rounds must have had wrong elevation, one worse than the other, next round they both get Target when properly one should be +45 and the other -50 as a correction of +50 was given.

† Wrong elevation. ‡ Wrong elevation on Gun. § Target very hard to see, evidently this round was'nt layed on target. || Dial had 50 yards too much. Had to stop practice on account of fog.

No. of Round.	Gun.
1	A
2	A
3	A
4	A
5	A
6	A
7	A
8	A
9	A
10	A
11	A
12	A
13	A
14	A
15	A
16	A

No. of Round.	Gun.
1	A 1
2	A 2
3	A 1
4	A 2
5	A 1
6	A 2
7	A 1
8	A 2
9	A 1
10	A 2
11	A 2
12	A 2
13	A 2
14	A 2
15	A 2
16	A 2

Practice Report—Continued.
MAHONE BAY GARRISON ARTILLERY.

No. of Round.	Gun.	D. R. F. Reading.	Correction.	Dial Range.	Difference.	Gun Range.	Deflection.	Direction Judged from Battery.	Elevation Judged from Range.		Value of Rounds.	Remarks.
									+	-		
1	A 1	2550	.....	2550	-25	2525	8 L	Line	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	A 2	2550	.....	2550	.....	2550	8 L	Line	.....	10	Hit	.....
3	A 1	2400	.....	2400	-25	2375	8 L	Line	.....	12	Hit	.....
4	A 2	2350	.....	2350	.....	2400	8 L	Line	.....	15	Hit	.....
5	A 1	2350	.....	2350	.....	2350	8 L	Line	.....	15	Hit	.....
6	A 2	2400	.....	2400	.....	2350	8 L	Line	.....	2	Hit	.....
7	A 1	2200	.....	2200	.....	2400	8 L	Line	.....	15	Hit	.....
8	A 2	2325	+25	2350	.....	2350	.....	Line	.....	10	Hit	.....
9	A 1	2325	+25	2350	.....	2350	.....	Line	.....	5	Hit	.....
10	A 1	2350	+50	2400	.....	2400	.....	Line	.....	5	Hit	.....
11	A 1	2350	+50	2400	.....	2400	8 L	Line	.....	50	0	.....
12	A 1	2350	+50	2400	.....	2400	10 L	Line	.....	100	0	.....
13	A 1	2500	+50	2550	-25	2525	.....	Line	.....	25	0	.....
14	A 1	2500	+50	2500	-25	2475	8 L	Line	.....	75	Hit	.....
15	A 1	2400	+50	2450	-25	2425	8 L	Line	.....	3	Hit	.....
16	A 1	2350	+50	2400	.....	2400	.....	Line	.....	75	0	.....
									50	.....	Hit	.....

DIGBY GARRISON ARTILLERY.

No. of Round.	Gun.	D. R. F. Reading.	Correction.	Dial Range.	Difference.	Gun Range.	Deflection.	Direction Judged from Battery.	Elevation Judged from Range.		Value of Rounds.	Remarks.
									+	-		
1	A 1	2325	+25	2350	-50	2300	8 L	Line	.....	30	Hit	.....
2	A 2	2375	+25	2400	.....	2400	8 L	Line	.....	100	0	.....
3	A 1	2225	+25	2250	-25	2225	8 L	Line	.....	25	Hit	.....
4	A 2	2225	+25	2250	.....	2250	8 L	Line	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	A 1	2275	+25	2300	.....	2300	.....	Line	.....	2	Hit	.....
6	A 2	2275	+25	2300	.....	2300	.....	Line	.....	35	0	.....
7	A 1	2325	+25	2350	-25	2325	.....	Line	.....	50	Hit	.....
8	A 2	2325	+25	2350	.....	2350	.....	Line	.....	40	0	.....
9	A 1	2400	+50	2450	.....	2450	8 L	Line	.....	100	0	.....
10	A 2	2350	+50	2400	.....	2400	.....	Line	.....	75	0	.....
11	A 2	2500	+50	2550	.....	2550	.....	Line	.....	20	Hit	.....
12	A 2	2500	+50	2550	.....	2550	8 L	Line	.....	15	Hit	.....
13	A 2	2500	+50	2550	.....	2550	.....	Line	.....	75	Hit	.....
14	A 2	2500	+50	2550	.....	2550	8 L	Line	.....	5	Hit	.....
15	A 2	2400	+50	2450	.....	2450	8 L	Line	.....	3	Hit	.....
16	A 2	2350	+50	2400	.....	2400	.....	Line	.....	30	Hit	.....

Practice Report—Continued.
YARMOUTH GARRISON ARTILLERY.

No. of Round	Gun.	D. R. F. Reading.	Correction.	Dial Range.	Difference.	Gun Range.	Deflection.	Direction Judged from Battery.	Elevation Judged from Range.		Value of Rounds.	Remarks.
									+	-		
1	A 2	2375	+25	2350	-25	2325	.....	Line	.....	100	0	*
2	A 2	2375	+25	2400	.....	2400	10 L	Line	.....	5	Hit	
3	A 2	2350	+50	2400	-25	2375	.....	Line	50	.....	Hit	
4	A 2	2450	+50	2500	-25	2475	.....	Line	.....	50	0	
5	A 2	2400	+50	2450	.....	2450	8 L	Line	10	.....	Hit	
6	A 2	2350	+50	2400	.....	2400	.....	Line	15	.....	Hit	
7	A 1	2500	+50	2550	-25	2525	.....	Line	.....	30	0	
8	A 1	2500	+50	2550	-50	2500	8 L	Line	20	.....	Hit	

* Mistake made by dial number.

One detachment only of this Corps came to Camp.

C. E. MONTIZAMBERT, LT.-COL., R.C.A.,

Camp Commandant.

27th October, 1896.

Garrison Artillery Competition—Island of Orleans, 64-pr. R. M. L. Guns—Standing Carriages.

CORPS.	DETACHMENT DETAIL.	Range Yards.	ROUNDS.					Point.	Time.	Lost for Overtime.	Total Score.
			First.	Second.	Third.	Fourth.	Fifth.				
No 1 Company, Detachment No 1	{ G C, Corpl Barnes	2,300	Hit + 1	- 2	Hit	Hit	24	13:00	5	23.5	
	{ G L, Corpl Matthews										
No 2	{ G C, Sergt Gale	2,300	Hit + 2	+ 10	+ 12	Hit	24	13:00		24.0	
	{ G L, Sergt Peard										
2nd Regt	{ G C, Sergt Clark	2,300	Hit	+ 16	Hit	+ 38	24	15:20	7	17.0	
	{ G L, Gunner Gray										
No 3	{ G C, Sergt Ward	2,300	Hit	Hit	+ 40	+ 8	24	10:40		24.0	
	{ G L, Bombr Scott										
Cobourg Company	{ G C, Sergt Kermode	2,125	- 5	- 1	Hit	Hit	24	16:20	10	14.0	
	{ G L, Gunner Moore										
Quebec Company	{ G C, Sergt McCaughey	2,300	- 80	+ 10	Hit	+ 8	24	16:30	10.5	13.5	
	{ G L, Sergt H Clark										
Quebec Company	{ G C, Corpl Dubeau	2,225	Hit + 2	- 2	+ 80	Hit	12	7:55		12.0	
	{ G L, Gunner Simard										
Quebec Company	{ G C, Corpl Vezina	2,150	Hit + 80	+ 175	+ 75	+ 80		10:21		24.0	
	{ G L, Gunner Dumais										

* REMARKS: Allowed five minutes extra for bad weather and mounting.

Garrison Artillery Practice—Island of Orleans, Group Firing—40-pr. B. L. R. Guns.

CORPS.	GROUP DETAIL.										Total Marks.	Time.	No. of Shells Fired to obtain Range.	Lost for Overtime.	Added for Shells less than six Expended in Ranging.	Final Marks.	
	CORPS.		GROUP DETAIL.		GROUP DETAIL.		GROUP DETAIL.		GROUP DETAIL.								GROUP DETAIL.
2nd Regt Montreal..																	
No 1 Co, Group A	F C, Capt Barton G G C, Lieut Cowley	A 1 A 2	Full Marks.....	15	25	20	30	10	48	148	12'	6				69	
No 2 Co, Group A	F C, Capt Wynne G G C, Sergt Clarke	A 1 A 2	{ Corpl Barnes, G C Corpl Matthews, G L Sergt Gale, G C Corpl Peard, G L Gunner Gray, G C Gunner Ward, G L Bomb Greeves, G C Corpl Charters, G L Sergt Ward, G C Bdr Scott, G L Sergt Kermod, G C Gunner Moore, G L Bdr McCaughy, G C Corpl Tinney, G L Sergt Clark, G C Corpl Tyers, G L Sergt Duheau, G C Corpl Plamondon, G L Sergt Vezina, G C Corpl Bouchard, G L	12	20	15	20	7	12	86	5 Extra 17:45	6	20%				
No 3 Co, Group A	F C, Lieut England G G C, Sg Maj Fellows	A 1 A 2		13	21	13	13	4	12	76	25	6	160%				
Cobourg Company, Group A	F C, Capt MacNachtan G G C, Lieut MacNachtan	A 1 A 2		10	18	15	6	0	0	67	21:15	6	90%			7	
Quebec Company, Group A	F C, Maj Hudon G G C, Lieut Methot	A 1 A 2		14	20	18	20	9	24	105	12:35	5		10%		115.5	
				14	20	18	25	8	0	85	12:08	4		20%		102	

Garrison Artillery Competition—3rd Regt. C. A., St. John, N. B., Group Firing—64-pr. R. M. L. Guns.

Comp'y.	DETAIL.	Observation.	Correct and Intelligent System.	Group Officer.	Layers and Detachment.	General Style.	Verifying Series.	Total Fire Discipline	Time.	No. of Shell Fired to obtain Range.	Lost for Overtime.	Added for Shell less than six Expended in Ranging.	Final Total.
No. 1 Co	Full Marks.....	15	25	20	30	10	48	148	15'				
" 2 "	{ F. C., Lieut Armstrong { G. C., Lieut Gray	9	23	20	25	9		86	14:50	5		10%	94.6
" 3 "	{ F. C., Capt Baxter { G. C., Lieut Foster	13	24	18	25	8		88	14:45	5		10%	96.8
" 4 "	{ F. C., Capt Gordon { G. C., Sergt Edwards	14	22	16	25	7	12	96	14:40	2		40%	134.4
" 5 "	{ F. C., Capt White { G. C., Lieut Montgomery	9	20	16	20	7		72	14:20	3		30%	93.6
" 5 "	{ F. C., Lieut Temple { G. C., Lieut Jones	12	20	17	25	7	24	105	14:30	3		30%	136.5

REMARKS:—Carried out at Fort Dufferin on 19th October, 1896.
 Umpire—Lt.-Colonel Montizambert. Assistant Umpire—Major G. Jones.
 Range Officer—Major Armstrong.

Garrison Artillery Competition—4th Regt. C. A., P. E. Island, Group Firing—40-pr. B. L. R. Guns.

Comp'y.	DETAIL.		Full Marks	Observation.	Battery Com'nder		Group Officer.	Layers and Detachment.	General Style.	Verifying Series.	Total Fire Discipline	Time.	No. of Shells Fired to obtain Range.	Lost for Overtime.	Added for Shells less than six Expended in Ranging.	Final Total.
	System.															
No. 1 Co	{ F C, Capt Davison.	Sgt Wurtele G L A1 gun	15	25	15	23	18	26	9	48	148	15'	4	27.8	166.8	
" 2 "	{ G G C, Lieut Bartlett.	Gr Scantlebury G L A2 gun	15	24	15	24	18	27	9	36	129		4	25.8	154.8	
" 3 "	{ F C, Capt Moore.	Sgt Sprague G L A1 gun	10	10	10	10	15	19	6		60		6	50%	30.0	
" 4 "	{ G G C, Lieut Peake.	Sgt McNevin G L A2 gun	13	18	13	18	17	27	8	12	95		3	25.5	123.5	
" 5 "	{ F C, Capt Owen.	Corp Hession G L A1 gun	14	10	14	10	15	22	7	36	104		4	140%		
	{ G G C, Lieut Stewart.	Corp Morrison G L A2 gun														
	{ F C, Capt Brennan.	Gr McCormick G L A1 gun														
	{ G G C, Lieut Leslie.	Corp Cheveric G L A2 gun														
	{ F C, Lieut Fraser.	Corp McQueen G L A1 gun														
	{ G G C, Lieut Thompson.	Corp Riley G L A2 gun														

REMARKS:—Umpire—Major Rutherford, R. C. A.
Weather stormy and cold with rain squalls

APPENDIX "C."

REPORT OF THE Commandant of Shoeburyness Team, 1896.

MONTREAL, February, 1897.

SIR,—

I have the honor to present my official report of the fourth artillery team sent from Canada to compete at the annual meeting of the National Artillery Association at Shoeburyness, England.

Ten years had elapsed since Canada had last been represented at Shoeburyness, and in the interval, the whole system of artillery work had materially changed, one result being that more men were required than when the former teams competed. In order to send more men, more funds were required and the Executive Committee recommended to Council that this additional amount be met by an assessment on each regiment and battery represented on the team. This recommendation was adopted at the special meeting of Council held in Montreal on the 8th April, 1896, at which it was decided to send a Canadian team to the next N. A. A meeting in August.

Owing chiefly to the adoption of the assessment plan, some of the units declined to send representatives, while others delayed sending in their replies, so that the team was not really complete until some days after the date fixed for assembling at Quebec. This was a decided drawback, as it is most desirable that every man should have the full benefit of preliminary drill, and if possible be assigned his place on the team before sailing.

The composition of the team, when finally selected, was as follows:—

Lieut.-Col. F. Minden Cole, Commandant, 2nd Regt. Canadian Artillery, Montreal.

Capt. Robt. Myles, Adjutant, 9th Field Battery, Toronto.

Sergt. Instr. J. Bridgeford, Sergt. Major of Team, Royal Canadian Artillery, Quebec.

Bombr. Wm. Nott, Royal Canadian Artillery, Quebec.

- Gunner Jos. Rousseau, Royal Canadian Artillery, Quebec.
 Sergt. W. Bramah, Royal Canadian Artillery, Kingston, Ont.
 Gunner A. Bramah, Royal Canadian Artillery, Kingston, Ont.
 Sergt. J. H. Marshall, 1st Regt. Canadian Artillery, Halifax.
 Sergt. W. H. Theakstone, 1st Regt. Canadian Artillery, Halifax.
 Regtl. Sergt. Major W. Fellows, 2nd Regt. Canadian Artillery,
 Montreal.
 Q. M. Sergt. W. A. McGuinnis, 2nd Regt. Canadian Artillery,
 Montreal.
 Sergt. A. P. Morrison, 2nd Regt. Canadian Artillery, Montreal.
 Sergt. R. W. E. Gillis, 2nd Regt. Canadian Artillery, Montreal.
 Bombr. J. J. Dickson, 2nd Regt. Canadian Artillery, Montreal.
 Corpl. J. T. McGowan, 3rd Regt. Canadian Artillery, St. John, N.B.
 Bombr. J. A. Pollock, 3rd Regt. Canadian Artillery, St. John, N. B.
 Sergt. M. H. Sprague, 4th Regt. Canadian Artillery, Prince Edward
 Island.
 Coy. Sergt. Major J. C. Cornish, 5th Regt. Canadian Artillery, Van-
 couver, B. C.
 Sergt. A. J. Thomas, 5th Regt. Canadian Artillery, Victoria, B. C.
 Bombr. T. H. Lettice, 5th Regt. Canadian Artillery, Victoria, B. C.
 Coy. Sergt. Major A. K. Van Horne, Yarmouth Coy., Yarmouth,
 N. S.
 Q. M. Sergt. T. A. Hood, 2nd Field Battery, Ottawa, Ont.
 Bombr. W. H. Weir, 2nd Field Battery, Ottawa, Ont.
 Sergt. John Waring, 4th Field Battery, Hamilton, Ont.
 Sergt. R. Balfour, 7th Field Battery, Welland Canal, Ont.
 Battery Sergt. Major Jas. Spry, 9th Field Battery, Toronto, Ont.
 Sergt. T. W. Lawlor, 12th Field Battery, Newcastle, N. B.
 Sergt. T. C. Spence, 16th Field Battery, Guelph, Ont.
 Sergt. J. A. Wilkinson, 19th Field Battery, Preston, Ont.

A total of two officers and twenty-seven non-commissioned officers and men, the latter divided as required by the regulations of the National Artillery Association, into three detachments of nine each, two of Garrison and one of Field or Position Artillery.

In choosing the men, our Association adopted the same standard as for previous teams. The men were instructed to meet at Quebec on the 29th of June. Our time from then to the date of sailing was fully occupied in drill, and in completing the equipment of the Team. Lieut.-Col. Montizambert and the officers of the R. C. A. gave every possible assistance in the way of instruction, while Major Imlah rendered us invaluable service in completing the proper equipment of the men.

Another difficulty presented itself, namely, the fact that the majority of the team were staff-sergeants or sergeants, while under the new drill regulations, certain positions on the guns could only be filled by men below the rank of sergeants. As it happened, however, the few men eligible for these positions proved themselves fully competent for the duties assigned them.

In addition to the Sergeant Major of the Team, there were five Staff Sergeants, who, at my request, voluntarily laid aside their swords for the rifle and valise equipment. This change enabled the detachment to present on parade a broad front and uniform appearance, which would not have been possible otherwise.

Before leaving Quebec, we were honored by a visit from my former Commanding Officer, Lt.-Col. Oswald, who came from Montreal especially to have a look at the Team. To him the credit is due for first suggesting that a Canadian detachment enter the competitions at Shoeburyness, supplementing his suggestion by a liberal subscription from his own pocket and a degree of energy which resulted in the sending of the first team in 1881 which with him as their Commandant, won for Canada such renown in the Repository Competitions.

On the afternoon of July the 15th, after being inspected in the Citadel by His Excellency the Governor General, (Lord Aberdeen), we were played to the wharf by the Band of the R. C. A., and embarked on the S. S. Lake Ontario of the Beaver Line, Captain Howard Campbell, *en route* for Liverpool.

Advantage was taken of the fine weather on the voyage over, to exercise the men almost every day in manual and physical drill. This was greatly needed as one-third of the Team were Field Battery men, not used to Infantry Drill, but each day showed a marked improvement, and when we landed, the detachment presented a most creditable appearance.

We arrived off Liverpool on the evening of the 24th July, when a deputation consisting of Colonel W. W. Clay and other officers of the 8th Lancashire Volunteer Artillery came on board to welcome us. Next morning we were escorted to the landing stage by these officers and by Commander MacIver and other officers of the Royal Naval Reserve, whose Band was also in attendance. To Commander MacIver and his brother, the Liverpool Agents of the Beaver Line, as well as to the representatives of the Company in Montreal, and to Capt. Campbell and his officers, we are greatly indebted for many acts of courtesy and attention. They most liberally fulfilled their contract.

The London and North Western Railway, to whom I paid only single third class fare for the round trip from Liverpool to Shoeburyness and return, were good enough to provide for our accommodation a special train with a saloon car for the men which started from the landing stage and took us through to London without a stop. At a later date when returning to Liverpool this company showed us every attention and granted special privileges to several members of the Team who visited Scotland before returning to Canada.

On arriving in London we were met by Major Vane Stow, Secretary of the National Artillery Association, Colonel C. B. Clay, Captains Horncastle and Marten, and other officers of the Volunteer Artillery, and were driven at once to the Mansion House and were the guests at luncheon of the Lord Mayor, Sir Walter Wilken, an ex-commanding officer of the 3rd Middlesex Artillery. In a very cordial speech of welcome, he granted us the privilege of marching through the City of London with fixed bayonets, which privilege, I, of course, accepted and acted upon when we left the Mansion House.

The historic Guildhall was visited under the guidance of the genial Lord Mayor's Secretary, Mr. Soulsby, after which, marching to Fenchurch Street Station we took train for Shoeburyness. On arrival we were met by officers and the Band of the Royal Artillery who marched us into camp, and before dark the men were all comfortably settled under canvas.

Through the kindness of Surgeon Major MacLean, A.H.C., Gunner Bramah, who had received an injury while we were drilling in Quebec, was assigned quarters in the Hospital Building, where he was more comfortable than he would have been in a tent.

For the week during which we were in camp before the other competitors arrived, a kitchen was started for our men and a mess for the officers; Major Vane Stow, Capt. Weston, Mr. James and others coming to camp some days earlier than they would otherwise have done, in order to show us every possible attention.

During the first week no leave of absence was granted. We worked constantly three times a day, commencing each morning at six o'clock, devoting the greatest number of drills to practice on the 64 pounder guns on naval slides, a pattern which was entirely new to us. The competition with these guns was the principal one in the series for Her Majesty's Prize, and was at moving targets, which, again, we were not familiar with. Without this week's training we would have had no possible chance of success in the Firing Competitions.

The work was directed from a conning tower 80 feet above the battery, and I, as battery commander, and my "depression range finder" detachment had ample physical exercise in practising climbing the ninety odd steps of the tower at breakneck speed, in order to have the D. R. F. adjusted within the prescribed limit of time.

Colonel R. MacG. Stewart, C. B., Commandant of the School of Gunnery, Major Inglefield, Brigade Major, and the officers and instructors of the Royal Artillery gave us every assistance short of allowing us to fire the guns. Capt. Myles and myself were made honorary members of their mess, and the sergeants of R. A. looked well after our men during the whole time we were at Shoeburyness.

The camp, which for the first week was a wilderness of tents, became on Saturday, August 1st, an animated scene. Detachments were arriving all day, consisting of picked representatives from many different regiments in England, Scotland and the Island of Guernsey, in all, about eighty officers and nearly one thousand men.

These were the men and the numbers our small band of twenty-nine, all told, had to compete with. But we entered on the work with a will and determination to win, if possible; and as a result of our efforts we bring back to Canada: (1st) that most coveted trophy—the Queen's Cup—with which goes the Queen's Badge for each officer and man; (2nd) the Marquis of Londonderry Challenge Cup; (3rd) a valuable pair of Field Glasses; and, (4th) over £80 in money to our Dominion Artillery Association.

In a report to Lieut.-Col. Irwin, A. A. G. of Artillery, I have already given a list of the competitions for which we entered, and our marks and standing obtained in each. As these details will no doubt be embodied in his annual report, I will not repeat them here.

On the day of our first arrival in London, Sergt. Major Gerrard, who was on the British Team which visited Canada in 1884, was detailed to look after our men, and he remained constantly with them until they left for home.

The camp at Shoeburyness was well and systematically arranged, many improvements having been suggested by the capable Secretary of the N. A. A., Major Vane Stow, and carried out under his supervision. The work began each morning at five o'clock. Detachments had to report at the office before and after each competition, and an immense amount of work was accomplished in a few days without confusion or delay. The place is admirably situated for the work, as the tide goes out about four miles, allowing of firing either over water or over sands.

The firing of the huge 10-inch guns was most interesting, but we did not enter for this competition. The drill with the 16 pounders was very similar to that with our 9 pounder Field Guns, but the scales on the sights are differently arranged. The practice at moving targets representing infantry and cavalry charging towards the guns was a novel sight to us.

In Repository Competitions, in which so much was expected of us, we took third place in the "A" shift, out of nine teams which had entered.

We competed in the "B" shift because we had entered, but with small hope of winning when we saw the methods adopted by our competitors and allowed by the umpires. Our instructors at Quebec had been interpreting the new drill book literally, and thought that no means could be adopted in repository work except strictly as laid down therein. The R. A. umpires held, however, that a drill book of ordinary size could not possibly provide for every contingency, and therefore, some discretionary power must be left with the Nos. 1, as long as they worked, within safe limits. I think this difficulty is not likely to occur in future competitions, now that officers and non-commissioned officers of our permanent force are gradually being trained in England by the Royal Artillery, from whom the drill book emanates, and who are also the instructors of the British Volunteer Artillery.

For the reason I have already mentioned, we had to drop out of the competition for the Regiment Cup.

In the special Repository Competition for the handsome cup presented by His Excellency the Governor-General, we were beaten by the 4th Durham detachment by three points. The contest was an exciting one, and was witnessed by a large number of spectators, among them many ladies and a few Canadians.

I was proud of the appearance of my men as they marched on the ground, in their white jerseys with green maple leaves on their broad chests. Under Sergt. Major Bridgeford they did their work efficiently and quickly, beating their rivals, the 4th Durhams, by 8 points on time. For drill, however, our opponents received 11 points to the good, and were declared the winners—the score being 226 to 223.

Our rivals, the 4th Durhams, were also the winners of the "A" shift and the Regiment Cup, and fully deserved all the honors that fell to them. The same detachment, and to a great extent the same men, have been the champions in shifting ordnance at Shoeburyness for several years. They work beautifully together, and I feel that in pressing them so closely for first place, we fully upheld Canada's reputation for skill in repository exercises gained by our three former teams.

The announcement of our success in winning Her Majesty's Prize was made at the mess table on "guest night," and the occasion is one not soon to be forgotten by those present. Never, in my experience, have I witnessed such an outburst of good feeling and manifest pleasure, such real and heartfelt enthusiasm, as that which led the officers present to chair Captain Myles and myself around the mess room; and we soon found that the enthusiasm had extended to all ranks, when, a few minutes later, headed by the magnificent band of the 3rd Kent, we were carried through the camp.

The excitement and enthusiasm were repeated on the day of the presentation of prizes. It was Canada's day. Our white helmets distinguished us from all the troops present, and I may be pardoned a feeling of pride in the assurance of Lieut.-Col. Cotton, who was on Lord Wolseley's staff that day, that Canada held her own in the march past and on parade, with all the troops on the ground. Our position was next to the Royal Guernsey Militia, who had the right of the line, and who are our seniors in date of organization by several centuries.

It must have been gratifying to Lieut.-Col. Cotton and the other Canadians present, as it was to us, to hear the Commander-in-Chief speak in such cordial terms of Canada and the Canadian people. Four times we had to parade before the grand stand to receive our prizes. After presenting the Queen's Cup, His Lordship requested me to give him the name and home of each man as he came up for his Queen's Badge, and for each one he had a cordial shake of the hand and a few pleasant words. This gracious act on the part of the Commander-in-Chief was a compliment to the Canadian Militia, duly appreciated by the honored recipients.

It is with the greatest pleasure I endorse His Lordship's reference to the open-hearted and generous reception accorded us. Every attention and courtesy was shown us during our stay in camp, and afterwards, until we left England by Lt.-Col. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Stradbroke, President of the Council, Major Vane Stow, Captains Horncastle and Weston, Surgeon Key and in fact all the Officers of the National Artillery Association with whom we came in contact. And I am also greatly indebted to Mr. J. G. Colmer, C.M.G. of the Canadian High Commissioner's Office for his many attentions.

For over a week after leaving camp we were entertained in London and the vicinity, a printed programme having been previously arranged for us by the N. A. A. It reads as follows:—

PROGRAMME.

- Saturday, Aug. 8—4 p.m., Tournament and Dinner, Crystal Palace.
 Sunday, " 9—Zoo.
 Monday, " 10—Woolwich Arsenal and Artillery Institute; Lunch, 3rd
 Kent V. A.; Dinner, Holborn Restaurant, 7.30.
 Tuesday, " 11—Bank of England; Newgate; St. Paul's Cathedral;
 Alhambra.
 Wednesday, " 12—Train, Waterloo to Hampton Court; 7.48 a.m.; launch
 to Windsor; lunch, White Hart; visit Windsor Castle;
 return by launch and train.
 Thursday, " 13—Buckingham Palace and Royal Mews; St. James
 Palace; House of Parliament; Royal Aquarium;
 Palace Theatre.
 Friday, " 14—Imperial Institute; Madame Tussaud's; Royal Music
 Hall.
 Saturday, " 15—Tower of London; Royal Mint; Tower Bridge;
 Earl's Court.

At the magnificent banquet tendered us in King's Hall, Holborn, at which Lord Stradbroke presided, about two hundred and fifty were present. Among the guests were Sir Donald Smith, General Sir Frederick Middleton, General Herbert, the Sheriff of London, the Reverend Canon Whittington, Colonel Stewart, R.A., and other high officials.

At Woolwich we were entertained at luncheon by the 3rd Kent Royal Arsenal Artillery, commanded by Colonel H. Hudson, V.D. Within the Arsenal, Dr. W. Anderson, C.B., Director General of the Ordnance Factory, took us through his laboratories; and we were conducted over the various buildings, with a special train at our disposal, by Captain Strange, R. A., the son of Major General Strange, whom we fondly regard as the founder of our Artillery Association in Canada.

The trip by steam launch up the Thames from Hampton Court to Windsor is one which shall not soon be forgotten by those present; and to Mr. Leonard Collman, Superintendent of the Castle, we are deeply indebted for faithfully carrying out Her Majesty's command to show us all that was of interest within the historic precincts.

On Friday, the 14th of August, I paid the men off, gave them their return tickets, and they were free to doff their uniforms. Several left that night for Liverpool; but the majority remained, and took the midnight train, a week later, from Euston Station, the L. & N. W. Ry. kindly providing a saloon car for their comfort.

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I would mention, with sincere gratitude, my appreciation of the privileges accorded and kind attention shown me by the authorities at the War Office, who granted quarters and rations for the men, free of charge, in St. George's Barracks, for the time we were in London. At the kind suggestion of Colonel Turner, Asst. Adjt. General R. A., I took part in an Artillery fight at Aldershot, on the staff of General Alleyn. About sixty guns were in action, the manoeuvres terminating with a brilliant piece of work on the part of the Royal Horse Artillery, which, in the opinion of the umpires, settled the fortunes of the day. Also under the favorable auspices of the War Office, I visited Golden Hill and other forts in the Isle of Wight, my guide being Captain Lowe, R. A., formerly stationed at Halifax, and well known to many officers of the Canadian Artillery.

To Captain Myles, my Adjutant, is due much of our success. He showed throughout a marked degree of ability and energy; and I need not mention that he was popular in camp, and made hosts of friends.

The behaviour of the men was exemplary, and they fairly won the good opinion of all in camp, as gracefully expressed by Major Wrenn, the Camp Brigade Major, when we were leaving Shoeburyness.

I need not refer, at any length, to the advantages to be gained by sending teams to compete at Shoeburyness. The Artillery knowledge gained will be disseminated throughout the many different corps, from British Columbia to Halifax, represented on the team. While the advantages are not to be measured by the value or number of prizes won, still our signal success this year must have been beneficial, as causing our country to be better known, and proving to our fellow subjects in Great Britain that we are intelligently training brain and muscle, to take our share, if needs be, in the maintenance and protection of the Great Empire to which we all belong.

Attached to this, will be found the statement of receipts and disbursements connected with the team. At first glance, it would appear that the disbursements are considerably larger than those of former years; but in making a comparison, it must be borne in mind that the number of men sent was increased thirty-three per cent; and also, that the amount for government pay while quartered at Quebec was not embodied in the previous statements.

I cannot close this report without recording my hearty thanks to those gentlemen who, for themselves, or as representing our banks and other corporations, so readily subscribed when called upon to augment the government grant of \$2,000.00, which is only about half the amount required to send a detachment to Shoeburyness.

In this connection, I would most respectfully urge our claims on the government. In view of the importance of our branch of the militia, and the general interest evinced in these competitions on both sides of the Atlantic, I think the country would be justified in giving the Association a more liberal grant to assist in sending across a Shoeburyness Team every year.

That we have the Honorable Minister of Militia's hearty co-operation in this matter is evident from his statement in Parliament, as recorded in Hansard of 18th September last.

I have much pleasure in attaching hereto some extracts from English papers, referring to the detachment under my command, and which I think of sufficient interest to be embodied in the Annual Report of the Association.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. MINDEN COLE, LT.-COL.,
Commandant Shoeburyness Team, 1896.



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British Press Extracts, 1896.

Daily Telegraph, London, July 27, 1896.

The detachment of Canadian Artillery visiting England to compete at the meeting of the National Artillery Association arrived at Liverpool late on Friday night by the steamship Lake Ontario, and were received, on behalf of the council, by Colonel W. W. Clay, 8th Lancashire Volunteer Artillery. They travelled by special train on Saturday morning to Euston, where some of the council met them, including Lieutenant-Colonel C. B. Clay, Lieutenant-Colonel H. Hudson, Captain Horncastle, Captain Marten, and others. The Lord Mayor, desiring to recognise the importance of their visit, asked them to luncheon at the Mansion House, where Major Vane Stow, Secretary of the National Artillery Association, introduced the officers, Lieut.-Colonel F. Minden Cole and Captain Robert Myles. After lunch Sir Walter Wilkin proposed the health of the Queen, and said he desired to grant the detachment the special privilege of marching through the City with fixed sword-bayonets, in order to mark the occasion. Colonel Cole thanked his lordship, and stated that they were most impressed with the reception they had already had, especially that within one hour of their arrival they should be entertained by the Chief Magistrate of the capital of Great Britain. The team was then shown over the Mansion House and the Guildhall, and thanked Mr. Soulsby, the Lord Mayor's private secretary, for his great courtesy. After partaking of tea they marched to Fenchurch-street Station, en route for Shoeburyness, time preventing them from attending the parade of the City of London Artillery as intended.

The Times, London, July 27.

A detachment of Canadian artillery, which will compete at the meeting of the National Artillery Association at Shoeburyness, arrived in Liverpool on Friday. The detachment is under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel F. Minden Cole. At Euston, on Saturday, they were met by Major Vane Stow, secretary of the association, and proceeded direct to the Mansion-house to lunch with the Lord Mayor. After proposing the toast of "The Queen," the Lord Mayor expressed his great pleasure in receiving a detachment which came over solely to compete in the artillery competitions of the association, and was strictly a military body. He so

felt the importance of the visit of such an official representation of the loyal colonists of the Empire that he desired to specially mark the occasion by granting them permission to march through the City with fixed sword-bayonets, a privilege within his prerogative and one seldom granted. Colonel Cole responded, expressing his gratitude for the hearty welcome already received, and especially for the promptitude with which the Lord Mayor had extended to the detachment the hospitality of the Mansion-house. In the afternoon the Canadians left by train for Shoeburyness, time preventing them from viewing the City of London.

Daily Telegraph, London, August 3.

The Canadians are great favourites in camp, men as well as officers. The arrangements this year have been almost entirely in the hands of Major Vane Stow, the capable and hardworking Secretary of the National Artillery Association, who has the power not only of getting through a tremendous amount of work himself, but of making other people work hard also, and believe they are doing it of their own accord. He receives, however, invaluable assistance from Major J. H. Wrenn (City of London Artillery), who, in his position of Camp Brigade Major, is second in command to Colonel Bally, R. A., the Camp Commandant, and is therefore responsible for practically the whole executive part of the arrangements. The smoothness and ease with which everything goes on, and the absence of any complaint or grumbling, are the best testimony to Major Wrenn's tact and fitness for the responsible position which he occupies. Captain Horncastle (3rd Middlesex) and Captain Wilson (2nd Cinque Ports), the Camp Adjutant and Staff Captain respectively, are very efficient and deservedly popular officers.

Morning Post, London, August 3.

Church parade this morning was a brilliant ceremony. There were a great many officers of the Royal Artillery and the whole of the Camp Staff present on the parade ground, where the men were formed into a hollow square, with the Canadians at the post of honour. The Rev. Canon Whittington, M.A., 1st Essex, officiated, and the band of the 3rd Kent (Royal Arsenal) Artillery played the music. The service commenced with a short sermon, in which the Chaplain, specially alluding to the presence of the Canadians, stated that their attendance was a sign that British blood flowed in all parts of the great Empire. They were all citizens of that Empire, and the character and conduct of each individual tended to make the character of the whole Empire.

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The Observer, London, August 3.

We have already had for a week under canvas a number of the combatants who will contest next week the prizes in money and handsome trophies offered by the National Artillery Association at its thirty-second annual meeting. These early arrivals have come several thousands of miles for the purpose—in fact from the Dominion of Canada—and they have naturally been received with open arms by the home artilleryman, both of the regular and auxiliary branches. The most complete fraternisation has taken place during the week. Our transatlantic brethren and the home Volunteers will start on Monday on even terms, for beyond drill on some of the larger guns, no practice has been allowed to the Canadians during the week.

The prize list has not yet been issued, but it is understood that a splendid trophy, the "Regiment Cup," will be given for an Imperial competition between selected teams of Great Britain and the Colonies, on conditions that will only be made known on the ground. From the commandant of the Canadian team, Colonel Cole of the 2nd Canadian Regiment, and his Adjutant, Captain Myles of the Canadian Militia Artillery, down to the youngest gunner, the visitors have had a cordial greeting, and nobody will rejoice more than their English comrades if the Canadians should prove victorious in the struggle next week.

The Liverpool Post, August 3.

Additional interest is given to this year's meeting by the presence of the Canadian Volunteers, who arrived in this country about a week ago, and have since been encamped in the grounds of the School of Gunnery. They are a thoroughly representative team, coming, as they do, from Quebec, Montreal, Halifax, Toronto, Hamilton, St. John, Victoria, Ottawa, Newcastle, and other parts of the Dominion. They are a smart, soldierly looking lot of men, and intend doing their best to carry off some of the prizes. Lieutenant-Colonel F. Minden Cole, of the 2nd Regiment, from Montreal, is in command, and their adjutant is Captain Robert Myles, of the 9th Field Battery, from Toronto. Since they have been at Shoeburyness they have been doing their drills daily. Their English *confreres* have given them a hearty welcome, and they have received entertainment at the hands of the Royal Artillery Officers of the School of Gunnery. A number of entertainments are in store for them on their return to London, where they will be lodged at St. George's Barracks. They will be entertained at a banquet by the National Artillery Association, over which the Earl of Stradbroke, the president of the council, is to preside; and

they will subsequently visit Woolwich, Windsor, and other places. Next Saturday week they will be disbanded, and will then be at liberty to return home at such times as they desire. This is the fourth time Canada has been represented at the Shoeburyness meeting, detachments from the Dominion having competed in 1881, 1883, and 1886.

In connection with the visit of the Canadian team, the Governor General of Canada also offers as a prize a cup, which will be competed for by Canadian and British squads who make the highest score, within time, in the A shift in repository practice. There will also be a garrison competition between groups of the Canadian and British Artillery for a challenge cup given by Lord Londonderry.

The Standard, London, Aug. 5.

The Londonderry Challenge Cup was competed for by the second group of the first Essex, as representing England, and the Canadians, who took the Cup away with them in 1886. The conditions of the match were the same as in the group-firing ranging competition of yesterday. The Canadians were victorious by four points, scoring 48 points to 44 by the Essex men. Colonel Cole was in command of the winners, whose victory was highly popular.

The Freeman's Journal, Dublin, Aug. 5.

A very interesting competition during the day was that between the Canadians and a picked team to represent Great Britain for the Londonderry Challenge Cup, which the Canadians held and brought over with them. The Council selected the 2nd Group 1st Essex, who won the ranging prize yesterday, to represent Great Britain. The contest was carried out with two sixty-four pounder rifled muzzle-loading guns on garrison standing carriages. Fifteen minutes were allowed to discharge a minimum of eight rounds and a maximum of ten rounds of plugged common shell per group for ranging, including four rounds for verifying. The Canadians won the Cup, after an exciting struggle, and are highly elated. They won the Cup in '86, when they were last over here, and the same number one, Sergeant Bridgeford, acted in that position to day.

The New York Herald, Paris, Aug. 6.

Last night was guests' night in the camp, and the officers' mess was ornamented with all the cups competed for.

The announcement of the fact that the Canadians had won the Queen's Prize was first made at the guests' dinner, and was received with tremendous applause. Great excitement prevailed in camp when the news was circulated.

The Scotsman, Edinburgh, Aug. 6.

This competition is one of two considered in awarding the Queen's Prize of £110 to garrison artillery, and to the Canadians belongs the honour of having the highest aggregate scores for both contests, thus securing Her Majesty's Prize with a total of 237 points, the second prize of £50 for second best aggregate being awarded to the first group of the 4th Durham with a total of 213 points. It may be noted that the Queen's Prize last year went to Canada from Bisley, while this year it goes from Shoeburyness.

The destination of the Queen's Prize was announced in camp for the first time at the officers' mess during dinner, and the result was received with great enthusiasm there. When it became known amongst the rank and file that the Colonials had won, the same happy feeling prevailed amongst the men, the popularity of the win prevailing everywhere.

Daily Mail, London, Aug. 6.

A most satisfactory finish in the Queen's Prize for garrison artillery has been announced. The Canadians, under Lieut.-Col. F. Minden Cole, take this trophy with 237 points, while the 4th Durham, under Lieut. Robson, come next with 213 points. No. 2 garrison competition has been won by the 4th Durham, 3rd group, with 177, the 1st group of the same corps coming next with a point less, and Canadians third with 169. Great satisfaction is expressed in the camp at the victory of the Canadians, who have shown such pluck in coming over to pit themselves against the pick of the Artillery Volunteers of the mother country; and their good fortune will probably cause the colony to be regularly represented at future meetings here.

The Daily Telegraph, London, Aug. 6.

In the garrison artillery competition the first prize was won by the third group, 4th Durham, with 178 points; the second was taken by the first group of the same corps with 177 points; and the third was won by the Canadians with 169 points. This decided the winners of the Queen's

Prize for garrison artillery. The aggregate score of the Canadians in the competition was 237, and the next highest was 213, totalled by the first group of the 4th Durham. The announcement of the fact that the Canadians had won the Queen's Prize was first made at the guests' dinner, and was received with tremendous applause. Great excitement prevailed in the camp when the news was circulated.

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The Daily News, London, Aug. 8.

The Queen's Prize of £110 for garrison artillery was won by the Canadians with a score of 237. The first group, 4th Durham, with 213 points, was awarded the second prize of £50 in this competition. When the success of the Canadians was announced at the officers' mess, where the officers of the School of Gunnery were being entertained in the evening, ringing cheers were sent up for the Colonial visitors, whose officers were also present, and they were heartily congratulated by their British brethren, both of the Royal Artillery and the Volunteers. The men of the Canadian Corps had not, up to this time, been informed of the result of their work, but when it was conveyed to them the same demonstration took place in their lines.

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The Morning Post, London, Aug. 6.

The Canadians won the Queen's Prize of £110 for garrison artillery with 237 points. They are commanded by Colonel F. Minden Cole and Captain Myles as adjutant. They made 68 points at the moving target practice, and to-day's shooting made their aggregate 237. Their victory was most popular, and in the officers' mess when the result was made known the cheering was loud and long, and many were the congratulations heaped on the Canadian officers. Colonel Cole was chaired, and the band of the 3rd Kent played "See the Conquering Hero Comes." In the sergeants' mess a concert was in progress, and many of the Canadians were present. The whole assembly rose and sang "For they are jolly good fellows," amid much enthusiasm.

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The Daily Chronicle, London, Aug. 6.

THE CANADIANS WIN THE BLUE RIBBON.

The 64-pounder group-firing contest at a moving target, which was commenced yesterday, was continued to-day, and concluded. The groups fired shell at a target about 12ft. square, moving diagonally across the sands for about six minutes. One round was fired from each gun singly, and three as group salvoes, but a number of the groups were not able to

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fire all the shell in the time occupied by the run of the target between the danger posts. The following are the results:—First prize, third group, 4th Durham, 178 points; second prize, first group, 4th Durham, 177 points; third prize, Royal Canadians, 169 points. The fine number of points gained by the Canadians has not only given them this prize of £20, it has also been the means of winning the Queen's Prize of £110 for them. Added to their 169 points are the 68 points they made in the group firing at the standing target, and the aggregate of 237 points is no less than 24 points more than any other group. Consequently the blue ribbon of the Artillery Volunteers of 1895 follows the blue ribbon of the riflemen of 1895 across the Atlantic to the Dominion. The names of the group and the position held by each were:—Colonel F. Minden Cole, Battery-Commander; Captain Myles, Observer; Sergeant-Major Bridgeford, gun group commander from Quebec. The first gun detachment was made up of Sergeant-Major W. Fellows (Montreal), gun captain; Bombardier Pollock (St. John, New Brunswick), gun layer; Bombardier Dickson (Montreal), Gunner Rousseau (Quebec), Bombardier Nott (Quebec), Sergeant-Major A. K. Van Horne (Yarmouth, Nova Scotia), Corporal McGowan (St. John, New Brunswick), and Quartermaster-Sergeant McGuinness (Montreal). The second gun was captained by Sergeant-Major Cornish (Vancouver, B.C.), Gun-Layer-Corporal Lettice (Victoria, B.C.), Sergeant W. H. Sprague (Prince Edward Island), Sergeant Marshall (Halifax, N.S.), Sergeant Theakstone (Halifax), Sergeant Thomas (Victoria, B.C.), Sergeant Gillis (Montreal), and Sergeant Morrison (Montreal). When the announcement was made in the officers' mess there was great enthusiasm, and many were the congratulations offered to Colonel Cole and Captain Myles. The band played "The Conquering Hero" over and over again.

The Daily Graphic, London, Aug. 6.

The group firing competition at a moving target was commenced yesterday and was concluded this afternoon. While the object was on the move, each gun fired a single round, and three group salvos were allowed, provided the target had not got beyond the danger post. The first group, 4th Durham, won the prize with 178 points; second prize went to second group of the same corps with 177 points; and the Royal Canadians, with 169 points, came third.

With this competition ended, the winner of the Queen's Prize became known. To the intense gratification of the whole camp, the Queen's Prize of £110 for garrison artillery has been won by the first group of Canadians.

Evening Standard, London, Aug. 6.

The victory of the Canadians in carrying off the Queen's Prize for Garrison Artillery yesterday led to considerable rejoicings when the fact became known. It was nearly ten o'clock last night when it was communicated to the Camp, the official announcement of the event having been made to the Volunteers at the officers' mess, when the Earl of Stradbroke, who presided, having given the toast of "The Queen," immediately afterwards proposed "The Queen's Prize Winners, the Canadians." Having been communicated there, it was rapidly sent out to the Camp, where an excellent concert was going on in the sergeants' mess. For a long time there was great excitement in the men's lines. Congratulations were freely and generally offered to the Colonial artillerymen, and the great event of the day gave additional zest to an entertainment which showed no signs of flagging. But when the colonel of the Canadian team, Colonel F. Minden Cole, and Captain Myles, the adjutant, with the Canadian gun detachments, preceded by the band of the 3rd Kent Artillery Volunteers, went through the Camp, the excitement reached its highest, and salvoes of applause continued for some time. The night was a memorable one in the annals of these yearly meetings of Volunteer Artillery at Shoeburyness.

The Times, London, Aug. 7.

The victory of the Canadian team in the Queen's Prize contest for garrison artillery evoked an amount of enthusiasm which is quite without parallel in the history of the National Artillery Association, and the general rejoicing in the Shoeburyness Camp lasted until the early hours of yesterday morning. The Canadian team are extremely gratified at the success which has attended their visit to this country.

A special prize for repository drill was offered by the Governor-General of Canada, who presented a handsome cup to be competed for by a Canadian team and a British team. The conditions which were laid down were that a 64-pounder gun should be dismounted from a garrison standing carriage by any recognized method, except throwing over the side or front, placed on a plank-sleigh, moved up and down a "ramp" about 3ft. high at the highest point, dismantled, and remounted on a fresh carriage. The team chosen to represent England was the No. 1 Squad of the 4th Durham, and after an exciting struggle they beat the Canadians by three points, the Durham men scoring a total of 226 and the Canadians 223 points.

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Morning Advertiser, London, Aug. 7.

Great pains were taken by the statistical department last night to prevent the winning of the Queen's Prize for Garrison Artillery by the Canadians being known, except by the press, until after dinner, when at a signal from the president, the Earl of Stradbroke, officers placed themselves behind the chairs of the two Canadian officers, Colonel Minden Cole, the commandant, and Captain and Adjutant Myles, while in the meantime a posse of the Canadian artillerymen, who had been warned, were ready to carry them off in a triumphal march round the camp. Lord Stradbroke then suddenly announced (after the loyal toast had been honoured) the result forwarded to you last night by telegraph, and the secret having been well kept, the Canadian officers seemed incredulous at first when the president came to read out: "Her Majesty's Prize of £110, Colonel Minden Cole's group, Canadian Artillery, score 237." Both the Canadian officers were lifted up in their chairs shoulder high, and carried round the officers' rooms amid the greatest enthusiasm. The applause was renewed all round the camp when the Canadians appeared with their leaders on their shoulders, and it culminated on their presenting themselves at the mess tent of the sergeants, where a large company of visitors were gathered at the usual sergeants' concert. Sergeant-Major Lea, 2nd Middlesex Artillery, the camp sergeant-major, who presided, had just announced the news to the company, and Sergeant-Major Bridgeford had just acknowledged the ovation offered to the Canadian team when the procession arrived, followed by the camp commandant and the principal officers of the camp and garrison. The colonel and the adjutant again were warmly congratulated, and again expressed their astonishment and joy at finding their highest expectations in coming from their distant homes more than fulfilled. They had not expected to succeed so well, because most of the members of the team were entire strangers to each other, having never drilled together till they were on the eve of starting, because they had come from the most widely separated parts of the Dominion. The profound loyalty of the Canadians to the old country would be enhanced by such occurrences, and particularly by the advent of a British team of artillerymen, which they all hoped to see next year, or very soon, in order to give Canada an opportunity of reciprocating the unbounded hospitality accorded to them by all classes of their English kinsmen. The health of both officers was drunk with musical honours.

Sheffield Daily Telegraph, Aug. 7.

The victory secured by the Canadians in carrying off the Queen's Prize for garrison artillery has been a prominent topic of conversation in

camp to-day, and our Colonial visitors have been overwhelmed with congratulations upon the result. The 64-pounder is a gun which the Canadians never saw till they came to Shoeburyness. It is stated that Canada is not supplied with this particular description of ordnance, and the only opportunity they have had for practice has been during the week they were in camp previous to the meeting. This renders their success all the more meritorious. Colonel Cole, who acted as battery commander, belongs to the second regiment, who won the Governor-General of Canada's Cup for general efficiency in Canada last year with 81 per cent of the possible marks. He joined the regiment in 1879. He had previously served in the 51st Infantry regiment as a private, and then as a drill instructor, and before joining the 2nd was in the 6th regiment of cavalry as a trooper. He is still a young man, and comes of a military stock. He was born in Canada. His father was an officer in the regiment which he now commands, and his grandfather was an officer in the British Navy.

AGGREGATE FOR THE QUEEN'S.

The following table shows the twelve highest aggregates, made out of the twenty-seven groups that competed for the Queen's Prize:—

CORPS.	No. of Group.	Score at Standing Target.	Score at Moving Target.	Aggregate.
Canadians (Queen's Prize)	1	68	169	237
Fourth Durham (Second prize).....	1	36	177	213
Fourth Durham	3	33	178	211
First Essex	2	82	128	210
City of London	2	41	154	195
First Essex	6	65	130	195
First Kent	1	67	126	193
First Essex	1	57	134	191
First Essex	4	77	108	185
First Essex	3	66	118	184
First Essex	5	70	114	184
Fourth Durham.....	2	40	143	183

GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S CUP.

In the afternoon the Canadian squad and the 4th Durham squad, who competed in the A shift of the repository, entered upon a contest for the cup given by the Governor-General of Canada. They had to go through a special repository shift, which consisted in dismounting the 64-pounder gun from a garrison standing carriage, then taking it on a sleigh along a platform at right angles to the carriage, passing up and down a ramp about three feet at the highest point, and at the end mounting the gun on another carriage. The Durham men did the work, as usual, in a remarkably clever style, obeying the orders of their No. 1, Sergeant-Major Heale, with precision, and carrying out the movements smoothly except for a slight hitch at the finish. The Canadians, under Sergeant-Instructor Bridgeford, also went through the work well, and in good time. The time

allowed for the operation was fifteen minutes, and the maximum points obtainable were 100 for drill and general style, and 100 for time. Both teams were well within the time. After the umpires had made their reports, it was found that the prize had fallen to Sergeant Heale's squad, who have thus added another to their many successes at this meeting. They scored 226, of which 93 were for drill and style, and 100 for time, with 33 added for the saving of time. The time was 12mins. 16secs. The Canadians scored 223 points. Time, 11mins. 46secs.

Yorkshire Daily Post, Aug. 7.

The victory of the Canadian team at Shoeburyness will please everybody. It is a good thing that our colonies should show us how to handle big guns—good both for them and for us. The moral for English artillerymen is, beyond a doubt, that they need more field practice than they are in the habit of getting. This success with a gun of unfamiliar calibre in range-finding and firing can be due to nothing but more frequent practice on the part of the Canadian marksmen.

London Daily Courier, Aug. 7.

The success of the Canadians in winning the second Queen's Prize was not announced until a late hour on Wednesday night, or getting on for the early hours of this morning, when, the fact having been positively established, the gunners in camp and Royals turned out and greeted the wearers of the maple leaf with most enthusiastic cheers. The Kentish instrumentalists repeated the refrain of "See, the conquering hero comes," and the loving cup was sent round. All honour to the Canadians! They have fought under great difficulties, and at last, like their brethren at Bisley last year, have been crowned with success in their efforts. It should be remembered, at the same time, that the 3rd Middlesex Artillery won the Queen's Prize for position work previously, and this contest, in which the Canadians have so distinguished themselves, was with the garrison guns. Their only opponents at the end of this contest, as in the Repository, were the 4th Durham, a rough lot of lads who know how to wield a handspike, and by constant practice are familiar with all kinds of ordnance, just in the way they would hew out a seam of coal or rivet on the steel plates of a first-class warship.

London Daily Chronicle, Aug. 7.

There were three contests on the list for to-day, the competition by the Royal Artillery and the Marine Artillery for the prizes given by the

Association for firing with the 10in. gun, and the competition for the Governor-General of Canada's prize. The second, which is a repository competition, was engaged in by the 4th Durham and the Canadians, and these two opponents ran each other very close. The third contest was between the officers of position artillery and those attached to garrison artillery. It was a ranging contest with two 64-pounders on naval slides, and on this gun the position artillery officers had never had a drill until this morning. The position artillery group was commanded by Captain Nichols, 3rd Kent (Royal Arsenal), who won the Queen's Prize last year, and their opponents by Colonel Cole of the Canadians, this year's garrison artillery Queen's Prize winner. The position artillery officers won with a total of fifty-four points, and were awarded the McMurdo Challenge Cup. The Governor-General of Canada's Cup was won by Company Sergeant-Major Heale's 1st squad, 4th Durham, with a total number of 226 points. The Canadians had 223 points.

London Daily News, Aug. 7.

The Canadian team at Shoeburyness yesterday failed by only three points to add the Governor-General of Canada's Cup to the splendid trophy which it won on Wednesday—the Queen's Prize. As it is, the two cups cross the ocean, but the Colony gets decidedly the better of the exchange. The victory of the Canadians was hailed with rapturous delight in camp. This was only a fitting acknowledgement of the attachment to the Mother Country which had brought the winning team to Shoeburyness. But it had a deeper import. Englishmen can never forget the "resolutions and messages of loyalty" passed by the great Colonies early in the year. At a time of great national trial, Canada's message was a glowing tribute to the pride with which Canadians had witnessed "England's majestic composure and unflinching self-reliance" in the hour of danger. All parties of the Canadian House of Commons were as one in the debate. Sir Hector Langevin and Mr. Laurier, the present Premier, emphasized the loyalty of the French Canadian race, and Mr. Laurier gloried in the greatness, moral and material, of the Empire. The Queen's Prize is in good hands.

Daily Mail, London, Aug. 7.

Visitors to the camp last night might well have been excused if they expressed doubts as to the sanity of a large portion of its residents. About ten o'clock there came from the officers' mess a series of noises which seemed to point to a vigorous riot being in progress. These continued

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for a few minutes, and then from the doorway emerged the band of the 3rd Kent (Arsenal) playing the "Conquering Hero," and behind followed the members of the mess, bearing aloft the two Canadian officers who have come over in charge of the team from that colony. Their appearance was the signal for the heartiest cheers, and as the procession, headed by Major Wrenn, went across towards the sergeants' mess, where a smoking concert was in progress, the scene was one of tremendous excitement. Mingled with the English hurrahs the Canadian "yell" could be heard, and this in itself is a fearful and wonderful cry. It commences with a series of explosive sounds, followed by a vigorous "Rah! Rah! C-a-n-a-d-a! Canada!" Then everybody asks with their fullest lung power, "What's the matter with Canada?" and the response is, "Nothing. She's all right." "Who's all right?" "Why, Canada!"

The Scotsman, Edinburgh, Aug. 7.

A fine morning again favoured the Volunteers encamped here, after a rather chilly night. There were a few degrees of frost during the night, and to-day the heat has been nicely tempered by a north-westerly breeze. The Canadian men, who have become so popular with all in camp, have been fairly idolised to-day. The enthusiasm of the men knew no bounds last night, and long after "lights out" had been sounded, which was somewhat later than usual, cries of "Good Old Canada" might be heard in all directions. Wherever the men appeared to-day they were congratulated on their good fortune in being able to carry home for the first time the blue ribbon of the British artillerists. The win is certainly the most popular one that has ever been witnessed at this camp, and will probably have the effect of inducing the Colonists to become annual attendants at the meeting of the National Artillery Association.

The special repository shift for the Governor-General of Canada's Cup was competed for to-day by the Canadian team and the British squad which qualified for the "B" shift. The latter were, of course, the 4th Durham squad, under Sergeant-Major Heale, who have already won so many handsome prizes at this meeting. The teams are very equally matched, and the greatest possible interest has been manifested in this competition. The competitors are required to dismount a 58-cwt. gun from its garrison standing carriage by any recognised method, except by throwing it over the side or front. A sleigh had then to be constructed around the gun and moved to another carriage, upon which it had to be mounted by such means as the teams might prefer. The maximum number of points allowed for drill and general style is 100, and the maximum time specified at 15 minutes, 100 points being also allowed

for time, and an addition or deduction of one mark for every 5 seconds under or over the prescribed time. The stores allowed were almost the same as those employed in the "A" shift. When the squads reached the marshes, upon which the contest was to take place, a large crowd had assembled, and they were loudly cheered by the spectators. The Commandant and several of the officers of the School of Gunnery were interested onlookers, and beside the umpires was Instructor Chew, from the School of Gunnery, who is a recognised authority on artillery work of all kinds. The Durham men, representing the home country, went about their work in the polished fashion which has distinguished all their work here this season, and had scarcely a slip from start to finish. They performed the entire shift in 12 mins. 16 secs., thus securing the maximum marks for time, with 33 points added for their reduction of the time allowed them. The marks for drill awarded by the umpire numbered 93, giving them a grand total of 226. The Canadians were none the less business-like in getting the gun down from its carriage in a little over a minute, and constructing the sleigh without a moment's loss of time, they reached the second platform without a hitch, and had the gun mounted again in 11 mins. 46 secs., thus gaining 6 points on Durham for time saved. The umpire's award for drill, &c., however, only amounted to 84 points, which with the 100 marks for time plus 39 added, gave them a grand total of 223, or 3 points below the score of the British squad, who were thus declared the winners of the handsome silver trophy presented by the Governor-General of Canada.

A contest entered upon to-day between officers representative of the garrison and of the position artillery in camp took the form of a ranging competition with two 64-pounders on naval slides at a stationary object. The gun used belonged to the garrison work, and the position artillerymen who competed to-day had only practiced with these guns for the first time this morning. Captain Nicholls, of the 3rd Kent, who was commander of the section who won the Queen's Prize last year, was chief officer of the position artillery group, and Colonel Cole, of the Canadian Artillery, Queen's Prize winners this year, commanded the representatives of the garrison artillery group of officers. The winners were Captain Nicholl's group, who scored 54 points, and have thus secured the challenge cup presented by the late General Sir Montagu M'Murdo, G. C. B., formerly vice-president of the National Artillery Association.

The Colonies and India, London, Aug. 8.

The Canadian Artillery Team has covered itself with glory at Shoeburyness. It has not only carried off more than one of the ordinary prizes, but has won the blue ribbon of the meeting, in the shape of the Queen's

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Prize. Only last year a Canadian won the Queen's Prize at Bisley. This year the Rifle Team were successful in winning the Kolapore Cup, and the Artillery Team has now capped that performance by gaining the Queen's Prize for shooting against all comers. Canada has reason to be proud of her Militia. The success of the team at Shoeburyness will, no doubt, lead to the visit becoming an annual one, as with the riflemen at Bisley. These visits do nothing but good. They bring Canadians into contact with the volunteers of the Mother Country, which, in itself, must tend to cause Canada to be better known in the United Kingdom than it is now.

The Daily News, London, Aug. 8.

To-day was a show day here, it being the penultimate day of the meeting, when the prizes are presented, and as Lord Wolseley was to perform that office early in the afternoon, visitors of both sexes wandered into and about the camp from ten o'clock in the morning. The work of the week was practically over, as there were only two competitions to be finished—the Morris tube competition and the Royal Artillery competition. The latter was the principal. It commenced yesterday, and was postponed after the targets had been broken up by the firing. Four detachments had completed their work—the Sheerness, the Amalgamated, the Plymouth, and the Dover. The School of Gunnery put the finishing stroke on the day's operations by smashing up the target at their third round. They renewed the competition this morning, and were allowed to have their five rounds, discarding their three rounds of Thursday, as the atmospheric conditions were different. The Royal Marine Artillery, the Portsmouth, and the Cork were the other three detachments which had to compete. The first prize was won by the Plymouth detachment, and the second by the School of Gunnery, the former scoring 8 points and the latter 7.75. One of the set of prizes of the week is called the Special Defence Prize. £10 is presented by Lieut. General W. H. Godenough, C.B., R.A., and £10 by the National Artillery Association. The prizes are four of £5 each, but only two detachments were eligible, the 12th Detachment, 1st Essex, and the 1st Detachment, 3rd Middlesex.

Lord Wolseley, attended by Colonel Turner and Major Coke, A.D.C., arrived at the Shoeburyness terminus of the London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway at half-past twelve, and was met there by Colonel R. MacGregor Stewart, R.A., Commandant of the School of Gunnery; Colonel J. F. Bally, R.A., Camp Commandant; Major Inglefield, R.A., Brigade-Major, School of Gunnery; Major Vane Stow, and Lieut. J. H. Wrenn, Camp Brigade-Major. A guard of honour of the 1st Essex, A.V.,

received Lord Wolseley and party on their arrival in camp. His Lordship first inspected the guard of honour, and the 3rd Kent band, which played on his alighting from the train. He afterwards inspected all the tents, the hospital, in which Sergt. Tapper, 3rd Middlesex, was the sole patient, and then the kitchen. The men's lines were also inspected, together with the sergeants' mess, the canteen, and the sanitary arrangements. Subsequently the party lunched with the volunteer officers in the pavillion, when about 100 sat down. In the course of the afternoon the brigade, headed by the band, the Royal Guernsey Militia following, with the Royal Canadians next, marched to the cricket field, where the inspection was to take place. After the inspection the volunteers marched past in column of companies, in quarter column, and then to the saluting base in review order. They were afterwards formed up in three sides of a square in front of the stand, on which the prizes were displayed. At this point of the proceedings Lord Wolseley, stepping slightly forward, said: "It is now some ten years ago since I last had the pleasure of attending here upon a similar occasion to see your camp and to distribute the prizes. I am very glad indeed to find that there is no falling off in any way whatever in your efficiency; that your appearance on parade is quite as good—I might say better—than it was on the occasion when I had the pleasure of being here before, and that the manner in which you marched past left, I think, nothing to be desired. I am very glad, amongst other things, to recognize the fact of a detachment coming from Canada, a country where I spent so many happy years of my own life, and with whose destinies I feel wrapped up. I have always entertained, and always shall continue to entertain the greatest affection and respect for the Canadian people. I only hope that bye-and-bye we shall have some of our other colonies sending detachments to compete at Shoeburyness on these annual occasions. I regret to find that there is no representative of the Indian Artillery here; for although it is a small body, still I think it would be a great advantage in connecting the various outstanding portions of our Empire if that magnificent army of India could be represented on occasions like the present. I am very glad to see a detachment from the Channel Islands, and I hope they will continue to send detachments here every year. The detachment from Canada, I am sure, will go back with great pride to our brothers on the other side of the Atlantic, carrying with them the four prizes they have won, and I am sure they will be able to tell their friends and comrades in Canada that, during their stay in this camp, not only were they received with open arms by all ranks, but that there was a sincere feeling of pleasure on the part of every artilleryman connected with this great centre of artillery exercise at the fact of their having obtained the great and highly sought-for prize (the Queen's) which they have won. (Cheers.) In

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the last ten years there have been many changes introduced into artillery science generally. The guns you now make use of in the great work of the defence of the Empire are much larger and much heavier, and are moved by a much more complicated machinery than were those formerly in use. But if we provide these new guns with all their expensive machinery for these various defences throughout the country, we do so on the understanding that those who live to work them on the day of trial should be better instructed, and that their instruction and their ability to work these guns, and their knowledge of their work as artillerymen should keep pace with the improvements in the arms they must and will be called upon to use in case of danger and times of necessity." In conclusion Lord Wolseley expressed his appreciation of the work of all ranks, and specially thanked the commanding officers for their services.

The Standard, London, Aug. 8.

The Earl of Stradbroke expressed, as President of the Association, the sincere thanks of that body to Lord Wolseley for the honour he had done the Association in again coming to Shoeburyness. All wished the parade had been bigger than it was; but, owing to the small numbers of those in camp, the competitions had been got through with great ease. The contests had been of especial interest by reason of the fact that not only had teams from various parts of Great Britain taken part in them, but that Volunteer Artillerymen had travelled to the camp from very distant parts of Her Majesty's dominions, and he could assure Colonel Cole and the members of the Canadian team that in carrying back to Canada Her Majesty's Prize, they took back with them the sincere congratulations of all the teams that competed against them. He trusted that the English Artillerymen would have another opportunity of competing against their Canadian brothers before long. In conclusion, he thanked Colonel Stewart and the Staff of the School of Gunnery for the great help they had given the Association in carrying out the meeting. (Cheers.)

The prizes were then distributed, and the men marched back to Camp.

The Western Mercury, Plymouth, Aug. 8.

His Lordship's references to the Canadians and to the Indian Army were received with cheers. Lord Stradbroke followed with a few words of thanks to the Commander-in-Chief for his attendance, and in the course of his remarks he also made favourable reference to the Canadian team.

The presentation of the prizes followed, and the Canadians came in for rounds of cheers as they came forward to receive at Lord Wolseley's hands the various prizes which they had won. His Lordship spoke to each member of the detachment, and expressed to Colonel Cole his congratulation. Colonel Cole and Captain Myles, of the Canadian team, and Colonel Grenville Grey, commanding officers of the groups winning the Queen's prizes for garrison and position artillery respectively, have again been "chaired" and carried round the camp to-night, carrying the prize Cups, which were presented to them in the afternoon, amid the enthusiastic cheering of the Volunteers in camp.

Western Mail, Cardiff, Wales, Aug. 10.

The troops had all left by noon on Saturday, in marching order. Colonel Bally, the camp commandant, congratulated the Volunteers upon their high state of discipline and efficiency. Before the Canadians left, Major Wrenn, camp brigade-major, bade them God-speed, and said that, in addition to winning the Queen's Prize, they had won the respect and confidence of every officer and man in the camp, who were proud to have them as comrades.

The Referee, London, Aug. 9.

The Artillery Volunteers have been astir at most extraordinarily early hours all the week, but they seemed especially busy soon after day-break to-day, getting ready for their departure to town. The scenes in the camp, consequent upon the Canadians winning the Queen's Prize, have been most extraordinary, and quite unprecedented in the annals of the National Artillery Association; and it would have silenced to perfection the individuals who talk about little England, and who assert that Englishmen cannot take defeat, to witness the manner in which the English artillerymen, who narrowly escaped defeat, cheered and chaired, and chaired and cheered the men who had come so many thousands of miles to try and gain some prizes on their native shores, and who succeeded in so meritorious a fashion in doing so. Of course all the work of the Association had been completed by yesterday, and there were only the finishing up processes to be gone through. All over the camp, the artillerymen, instead of donning their comfortable and easily-gotten-into canvas suits, in which they had faced the ranges every day this week, were busy furbishing up their full rig, in the shape of what is known in military circles as parade order, were "pipe-claying" the articles which it was necessary should undergo that process, and, in other ways, were making

themselves especially presentable to the eyes of the British public, which duty had caused them sedulously to shun for the last eight days. Colonel Bally, R.A., the camp commandant, issued the following "marching order" to the Volunteers before they left:—"The camp commandant, in bidding good-bye to all ranks who have attended the thirty-second meeting of the National Artillery Association, wishes to take the opportunity of congratulating them upon the high state of discipline and efficiency which has obtained during the week, and upon the earnestness with which all duties have been carried out."

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The Times, London, Aug. 10.

At the Crystal Palace on Saturday, the first portion of the Volunteer tournament was carried out on the sports arena.

After the tattoo, the directors of the Crystal Palace Company gave a dinner to Colonel Minden Cole and the members of the Royal Canadian Artillery under his command who won the Queen's Prize at the Shoeburyness meeting last week, and who were present at the tournament during Saturday afternoon. Major Biggs presided, and gave a hearty welcome to the team; and Colonel Cotton, the commanding officer of the Royal Canadian Artillery Corps, in reply, said that Canadians would not be satisfied until they had brought about the federation of the Empire. They were always ready to undertake their share in the defence of the Empire. Colonel Tully, in proposing the toast of "The Canadian Team," remarked that a great deal of the steadfastness and firmness of the mother country in the recent discussions with America was due to the fact that she had the support of the Canadian people. Colonel Cole, in responding, expressed the gratitude of the team for the cordial way in which they had been received in this country, and for the congratulations which had poured in upon them on their winning the blue ribbon at Shoeburyness. They had, he said, learned a great deal during the short time they had been in England. The team represented the unity of the Dominion, because its members had come from regiments belonging to districts from British Columbia to Halifax—a stretch of 3,400 miles; and the carrying away of the Queen's Prize would draw still closer the bond of union between the mother country and her largest self-governing colony. (Cheers.) A short time ago England was to some degree threatened from certain quarters; but those threats had only tended to bring out more strongly than ever the loyal feeling of the sons of Canada towards the mother country. (Cheers.) He wished to assure Englishmen who had not had an opportunity of seeing Canadians at home that the team represented the true feeling of their country, because there the people were loyal almost to a

man; and this would be shown in a practical manner if occasion ever arose to call upon Canadians to help to defend the Empire. (Cheers.) The other toasts were "The Committee of the Tournament," and "The Crystal Palace Company."

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The Morning Advertiser, London, Aug. 13.

Canadian Artillerymen at Windsor Castle.—The Canadian artillery team visited Windsor Castle yesterday afternoon. Major Vane Stow, of the National Artillery Association, had charge of the party, which consisted of Colonel Cole, Captain Myles, and twenty-seven non-commissioned officers and men, the latter being in uniform. Captain Ogilvie, of the Royal Canadian Artillery; Colonel Clay, 8th Lancashire Artillery; Captain Horncastle, 3rd Middlesex Artillery; Major Wrenn, 1st City of London Artillery; Captain Weston, Kent Artillery; Mr. Patterson, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Ogilvie, Mrs. Vane Stow, and others accompanied the detachment, which travelled from Waterloo by South-Western train to Hampton Court, and thence by launch to Windsor, where the Canadians arrived early in the afternoon. Colonel Clay presided at the luncheon at the White Hart Hotel, and proposed "The Health of Her Majesty," which was loyally honoured. By command of the Queen the visitors were conducted by Mr. Leonard Collmann, of the Lord Chamberlain's department, through the state apartments, the Royal corridors and drawing rooms, and were also shown the Queen's private chapel, the gold pantry, and the great palace kitchen. The Round Tower and Albert Chapel were likewise inspected. The Canadians returned to town in the evening.

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The Volunteer Record, London, Aug. 15.

The visit of Lord Wolseley to Shoeburyness, on what was the last working day of the meeting, was a highly satisfactory feature and fitting conclusion thereto. The presence of the present Commander-in-Chief at any gathering of a military nature is pretty sure to result in his being drawn into making a speech; and it is of almost equal certitude that his remarks are worth listening to. A keen soldier himself, he is specially appreciative of evidences of keenness in others; he was therefore on congenial soil when presenting prizes to the winners of the Shoeburyness contests. The N. A. A. records tell us that Lord Wolseley performed a similar function at Shoeburyness ten years ago, while he was Adjutant-General of the Forces, and when—except to the few and the prescient—the falling of the mantle of Commander-in-Chief on his shoulders looked like a very remote contingency indeed. He spoke of the importance of artillery work,

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and of the need of keeping abreast with the requirements of the times in matters of efficiency, and in knowledge of the scientific weapons which the Volunteers would have to use in certain contingencies. The presence of the representatives of Canada enabled Lord Wolseley to in some measure fight his battles o'er again; it enabled him also, while referring to his own service in that portion of the Empire, to allude gracefully to his admiration for the country and its people. While expressing the great pleasure he felt at seeing the Dominion team, he suggested potentialities which, if realised, would gladden beyond powers of expression the hearts of those who work in the interests of the National Artillery Association. He suggested the desirability of the Australian colonies, the Cape of Good Hope, and our Indian possessions being represented at Shoeburyness as the Canadian division of the Empire then was. As this very excellent idea has emanated from the Commander-in-Chief himself, perhaps he will, in the exercise of the power he possesses, set in motion the required machinery to bring about the desired consummation. There is another field of usefulness open to Lord Wolseley in the position he now holds, wherein he might do the cause of the Volunteer Artillery some real service; that is, to direct his efforts to the securing for all corps an adequate supply of the guns they would have to use at Shoeburyness—and would have to use in earnest elsewhere, if the time should ever arrive for the men to be something more than mere amateur soldiers. Many of the the weapons with which Volunteer artillerymen have to pick up the knowledge of gunnery and gun drill they possess has to be taught with guns which are as the poles asunder, compared with those they would have to use if their training to be an effective factor in the defence of the Empire is to be anything more than a fiction and a name.

Volunteer Service Gazette, London, Aug. 15.

Lord Stradbroke and the Council of the National Artillery Association, with the Secretary, Major Vane Stow, and above all, perhaps, the Camp Staff, may well be proud of the result of their exertions this year; for, according to all the accounts which we have seen—and, in particular, according to the very full reports with which we have been furnished by our correspondent—the meeting of 1896 must have been one of the most successful, if not the most successful, of the thirty-two meetings which have now been held. There was apparently no hitch of any kind, and, as will be seen, the Camp Commandant—an experienced Colonel of the Royal Artillery—said that there was a high state of discipline, and that the work was carried out with earnestness.

The presence of the soldier-like team of the Royal Canadian Artillery this year was very welcome indeed. They are described as an exceptionally fine body of men, and as having made themselves the best of comrades at Shoeburyness. We have had Canadians at the N. A. A. meeting before this, but it is now some years since they have paid us a visit. It may, perhaps, be taken as a symptom not merely of the spirit of fair play which exists among us, but of the brotherly feeling which all classes here bear towards the Colonists that we have never heard words other than those of hearty congratulation when our cousins from Canada win a great prize—even the Queen's Prize at Bisley. And the present case is no exception to the rule. There is no grudging in the felicitations which have been offered to the Royal Canadian Artillery for taking the Queen's Prize for garrison artillery back with them to the Dominion. The Canadian Artillery have shown themselves on former occasions to be most expert at those exercises in moving *material* which go under the name of "Repository" exercises. It is a pity that this year, they found that some of the stores supplied for the Repository competitions were not as numerous as those which they were accustomed to have, and therefore did not take part in some of the Repository competitions. We repeat that this is to be regretted. But, after all, the law must be laid down in such matters by the School of Gunnery at home, and it might not be difficult for the authorities in the Colonies to ascertain what that law is.

Lord Wolseley, in his speech at the distribution of prizes, laid great and wise stress upon the importance of such visits as that of the Canadian Artillery to the great School of Gunnery, and hoped that other colonies and dependencies would follow the example set by the Canadians. We most heartily agree with the Commander-in-Chief, and we hope that in future years we shall always have some representatives of our fellow subjects beyond the sea at Shoeburyness as well as at Bisley. And we may also express the hope that the authorities at home will encourage such work in every way. They necessarily involve great expense on the part of the Colony or dependency which sends military teams over here. They have no chance of "gate money," as the members of cricket teams have, and the motive of sending them is purely patriotic. So they ought at least to be made much of, not only by their fellow-soldiers—as they are sure to be—but by the authorities.

Exmouth Journal, Aug. 15.

The Canadian Volunteer Artillery were on Monday entertained by the officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the 3rd Kent Position Artillery Volunteers at their mess, Plumstead, Colonel H. Hudson pre-

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siding. The guests included Colonel Cole, Captain Myles and twenty-six others. Colonel Cole said they were part of a great nation—in fact the greatest in the world—and were prepared to do duty in any part of Her Majesty's dominions to which they might be ordered. They came from all parts of Canada, some of them 3000 miles apart. They would go home with the most pleasant reminiscences of England and especially of Woolwich, where their guns, fuses and ammunition were made. Colonel Hudson told them that every English volunteer was heartily glad that the Canadians had won the Queen's Prize and no one begrudged it them. The Canadians before leaving toasted the 3rd Kent Position Artillery and afterwards inspected the Royal Arsenal Rotunda and Royal Artillery Institute. On Tuesday they visited the bank of England and Newgate Prison.

London Graphic, Aug. 15.

The Shoeburyness meeting was brought to a close by a review before Lord Wolseley. After the march past the Commander-in-Chief addressed the men. He expressed his pleasure at seeing a detachment from Canada and he felt sure that they would go back with their four prizes they had won and be able to tell their friends in Canada that they had been received with open arms by all ranks. Our illustrations show the Canadian team at work. Their presence has certainly made the meeting of 1896 memorable. They did their work remarkably well and in the end the first group of Canadians commanded by Colonel Cole, carried off the Queen's Prize of £110 for garrison artillery. The Londonderry Challenge Cup was also won by the Canadians, who also took the third prizes in the first Repository competition and in the group firing competition at a moving target. In the competition for the Governor-General of Canada's Cup between the Canadians and the selected English team—the Fourth Durham under Sergeant-Major Heale—the former were only defeated by 226 to 223.

Colonies and India, London, Aug. 22.

The attentions and hospitalities which have been showered upon the Canadian Artillery team are much appreciated in Canada. This interchange of visits and of courtesies between the defensive forces of the Colonies and of the Mother Country can only be productive of good results. It tends to familiarise the people of the United Kingdom, and especially the Volunteers, with Canada, and the other parts of the Empire; and, at the same time, Canadians must learn a great deal by coming over here to associate for a time with the British regular and auxiliary forces.

British subjects residing in the United Kingdom see that those living in Canada, and in the other Colonies, are not only imbued with the same instincts as themselves, but that they are veritable chips of the old block, and are able to hold their own in any contest into which they may enter. In fact, they are just as good in athletics and military contests as Englishmen, Irishmen, or Scotchmen—and sometimes a little better. It is not long since that a Canadian held the sculling championship of the world; the Australians are very hard to beat at cricket; last year a Canadian rifleman won the Queen's Prize at Bisley; and this year an Artillery team from the Dominion secured the Queen's Prize at Shoeburyness.

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The Maple Leaf, Tipperary, Ireland, Sept. 1.

We cannot do better than begin our Notes this month by sending hearty congratulations to the stalwart Canadian Artillerymen who carried off the Queen's Prize at the recent Meeting of the National Artillery Association at Shoeburyness. The Queen's Prize at Bisley last year, the Kolapore Cup this year at the same place, and lastly the Queen's Cup at Shoeburyness are trophies which any part of Her Majesty's dominions would be very pleased to be the happy possessors of, and we are quite sure our comrades in Canada are proud of the "doings" of the contingents they sent over here, for their good luck in carrying back to Canada such valuable and well-earned prizes.

We are quite sure that one and all of the "rooth Royal Canadians" were delighted to hear of the splendid success of their brothers-in-arms.

By far the most interesting and encouraging, and not the least important feature of the gathering has been the extraordinary popularity of the Canadians in camp. Both officers and men have been prime favourites, and an unusual scene was witnessed on parade on Friday, when discipline was for the time forgotten, and the Canadians were cheered again and again as they came up to receive the Challenge Cup and Queen's Prize from the hands of the Commander-in-Chief. During the week the men in camp have picked up a peculiar Canadian custom of questioning with regard to any very special favourite. On Friday, as the Dominion Artillerymen stood before Lord Wolseley in their handsome blue uniforms and white helmets, one of the Durham regiments raised the cry, "What's the matter with Canada?" "Canada's all right," came the reply. Then the second query of the series was put, "Who's all right?" and the final stentorian shout of "Canada," from soldiers and civilians alike, was given with a heartiness and enthusiasm that showed there was something more meant than the compliments of a holiday parade. There was the feeling, strengthened by association with the Canadians themselves, that the

people of the Dominion regard themselves as part and parcel of the Empire, and would stand shoulder to shoulder with their fellow-subjects in the hour of danger.

The Canadians have been cheered, congratulated, and praised ever since the announcement on Wednesday night of their great victory in the Queen's Prize, when it was first published to the camp. No victory has ever been so popular at Shoeburyness, and it has been exceedingly gratifying to see the ungrudging welcome which has been extended to these Colonial brethren-in-arms. Undoubtedly it has been most fully deserved, for their behaviour in camp and wherever they went was a pattern for all soldiers, whether Royal or citizen, to adopt as their model. Future visits of theirs will be hailed with pleasure, and any prizes they may take away will be resigned with heartiness. The force were not allowed to leave camp without one more addition to the encouraging welcome they have received, for Major J. H. Wrenn, the camp brigade-major, when they formed up prior to their departure, addressed Colonel Cole and the rest of the officers and men as follows:—"Soldiers of the Canadian Militia, as camp brigade-major, I bid you good-bye and God-speed on behalf of all ranks. You have had the distinguished honour of winning her most gracious Majesty's Cup, the Queen's Prize; but you have done more—you have won the respect and confidence of every officer and man in this camp. We are proud to have you for our comrades, and we are thankful to know that the far-off frontier of the British Empire—our common heritage—is in the guardianship of men such as you. By your conduct and achievement here, by the stirring feelings they have evoked, you have done as much in the direction of the confederation of the Empire, and in securing the union of hearts, as could be done by the speeches and schemes of many statesmen. Once more, for one and all, I bid you good-bye and God speed."

Daily Graphic, London, Dec. 19.

The Governor of Canada has addressed the following letter to the officer who acted as Brigade-Major of the Association Camp at Shoeburyness in August last:—

Dear Sir,—I trouble you with this letter in order to mention that I had to-day the pleasure of seeing Colonel Cole, of the Canadian Militia Artillery, who gave me a very interesting description of the experience of the detachment under his command during their recent visit to England, and especially of the extremely cordial welcome and gratifying manner in which they were treated on all sides.

But my special object in writing is to express hearty appreciation of the words which, as I see by the Canadian papers, you uttered when bidding farewell to the Canadians. I feel certain that such kindly and discriminating commendation cannot fail to have an excellent effect; and in thanking you for your hearty and well-chosen utterances, I feel that I may safely claim to be speaking in a representative capacity. I need hardly add that Colonel Cole spoke to me with warm appreciation of your own part in what was done to welcome the Canadian detachment.

I remain, &c.,

Government House, Ottawa.

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Financial Statement

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The Canadian Artillery Team

SENT TO SHOEBURYNNESS,

1896

Lieut.-Col. F. Minden Cole, Commandant,

To Cash from Dominion Government		\$2000 00
" Regimental and Battery Subscriptions		50 00
" Ontario Artillery Association, towards Ontario Battery Subscriptions		600 00
" Subscription from Major General Gascoigne		150 00
" Collected by Lieut.-Col. Cole:		50 00
Bank of Montreal	\$100 00	
Merchants Bank of Canada	50 00	
Canadian Bank of Commerce	50 00	
Bank of British North America	50 00	
Molsons Bank	25 00	
Banque Ville Marie	25 00	
City & District Savings Bank	25 00	
Union Bank of Canada	25 00	
Messrs. Henry Birks & Sons	5 00	
Major E. L. Bond	5 00	
A. A. Browne, M.D., late Surgeon M. G. A.	10 00	
Captain Geo. S. Brush, late M. G. A.	5 00	
Mr. Geo. B. Burland	25 00	
Mr. D. W. Campbell, General Manager Beaver Line	50 00	
Mr. C. S. Campbell, late Lieutenant M. G. A.	5 00	
Mr. James Crathern	10 00	
Mr. Charles A. Duclos	5 00	
Lieut.-Colonel M. J. Ferrier, late Comdg. M. G. A.	25 00	
Messrs. Gault Bros. & Co	10 00	
Lieut.-Colonel Sir Joseph Hickson	5 00	
Captain Campbell Lane, late M. G. A.	10 00	
Captain J. W. Molson, late M. G. A.	25 00	
Mr. W. C. McDonald	25 00	
Mr. Edgar McDougall	10 00	
Mr. W. W. Ogilvie	5 00	
Mr. James A. Ogilvy	25 00	
Mr. Robert Relford	10 00	
T. G. Roddick, M.D., M.P.	10 00	
Sir Donald A. Smith, G.C.M.G.	50 00	
R. Wilson Smith, Mayor of Montreal	25 00	
George W. Stephens, M. L. A.	20 00	
Mr. W. J. White	10 00	
Lieut.-Colonel E. A. Whitehead	25 00	
	760 00	
" Collected by Captain Myles:		
Bank of Toronto	\$50 00	
Dominion Bank	50 00	
Imperial Bank	25 00	
Standard Bank	25 00	
Bank of Hamilton	25 00	
Mr. Geo. H. Beardmore	10 00	
British America Assurance Co	25 00	
Canada Central Investment Co	25 00	
Canada Life Assurance Co	50 00	
Mr. Robert Davies	25 00	
Mr. George Gooderham	100 00	
Major John S. Hendrie	20 00	
Mr. S. H. James	25 00	
London & Ontario Investment Co	25 00	
Massey Harris Co	25 00	
Messrs. John Macdonald & Co	10 00	
Messrs. Osler & Hammond	25 00	
Carried forward	\$540 00	\$3560 00

in acct. with Dominion Artillery Association.

By Transport:			
2 Ocean Passages, Beaver Line, @ \$90	\$ 180 00		
27 " " " @ 56.94	1537 38		
Freight, Express charges and cartage of baggage..	10 76		
29 Return Tickets, Liverpool to Shoeburyness.....	£28 5 6		
Sundry Expenses on board Ship and Railways	16 16 10		
	£45 2 4	219 57	
Officers' Railway Expenses to and from Quebec...		72 35	
			\$2020 06
" Expenses in Canada:			
Alterations to uniforms		\$ 17 88	
Jerseys and Emblems.....		56 04	
Officers' messing acct. at Citadel.....		36 90	
Men's " " " "		74 60	
Stationery, Die, Typewriting, Labels, &c.		42 83	
Postage \$2.00, Telegrams \$10.90		12 90	
Sonne Awning Coy—Flags.....		9 55	
Insurance—Accident \$20.25, Marine \$1.95.....		22 20	
Pipe-clay, Blacking, &c.		7 86	
			280 76
" Expenses at Shoeburyness:			
Team and Camp Fees		\$ 226 57	
Officers' Mess.....	£18 12 2		
N. A. A. Acct., Supplies for men	10 1 3		
R. A. Sergeant Instructor	2 0 0		
Postage £1.15.0, Telegrams £2, Cables £5.13.0....	9 8 0		
Sundries.....	3 6 3		
	£43 7 8	\$211 13	437 70
" Expenses in London:			
Hotel Cecil.....	£30 10 0		
Railway, Buss' and Cab Fares.....	9 14 0		
Durrant's Press Cuttings	1 1 0		
Packing cases for cups, Rifles, &c	2 10 2		
Sundries.....	3 2 7		
	£46 17 9		228 18
" Pay:			
Pay according to rank for time quart'd in Citadel..	\$410 82		
D. A. A. pay 50cts. per diem, 27 men for 39 days..	526 50		
Allowance for subsistence " " at 21/ each....	137 70		
Grant to Sergt. Major Bridgeford	25 00		
			1100 02
" 6 Queen's Badges for extra men of team.....	£3 3 0		15 33
" Allowance for entertaining and extras.....			500 00
" Balance.....			658 79
Carried forward.....			\$5240 84

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