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LOOKING over the general orders of the 30th July, published to-day we find a net gain of five officers, there being fourteen promotions, seventeen losses from various causes, and twenty-two were appointments, three of these being qualified, two having professional qualifications, and the remainder being appointed provisionally. There are very few changes amongst the field officers but Capt. Raney, the popular and efficient commander of the Prescott troop of cavalry gets brevet rank as major, and Capt. Raney, of the 74th, succeeds to a majority. A couple of weeks ago we had a surgeon taking command of a company, now we have Capt. Desjardins made surgeon of the 61st. Dr. Hervieux also becomes surgeon of the 76th instead of Dr. Salvage. The Eighth have at last adopted promotion according to seniority, which should tend to increase the efficiency of that corps.

WOULD it not be well to omit altogether the ceremony of presenting the prizes at the D.R.A. meetings. For the past two years at least it has been but a scramble, with the statistical officers hurried, many of the matches unfinished, and a large proportion of the principal prize winners absent, shooting either in the skirmishing or long range matches. Besides the unfairness to these last, no very satisfactory arrangements can be made for the accommodation of either competitors or spectators on a field open to all comers. Next year we hope that there will either be no presentation, or that the principal prize winners will be bound to wait until the evening following the matches, when a well organized ceremony could be conducted in some suitable hall.

IN this number we give full scores of all the matches in the Dominion meeting, with some account of the general progress of the matches, and we would draw attention to the fact that our list is the first correct one published, many errors having crept into all previous lists, even those officially issued by the association, whereby some prize winners were omitted and other competitors were allotted prizes to which they were not entitled, or higher places than they should have held.

IF Sir Frederick Roberts gets his own way the British army will soon have gone completely to the devil, in the eyes of all the good old school of martinets. First he issues a general order directing that young soldiers shall be considered human beings, and allowance be made for the thoughtlessness of boys in adjudging punishments; whereas we all know that the only way to keep up a proper state of discipline is to entirely ignore individual characteristics and keep every man, recruit or not, up to the strictest letter of the law. And now he has further degraded the service by joining in a trivial rifle match with his subordinates, proving himself a capital shot to boot, and to cap the climax has promulgated the heresy that in choosing corps for active service he would be guided by their shooting capacities, as demonstrated by target practice. In that case, of what avail would be all the time heretofore expended on a proper polishing of buttons, and on a due capacity for wheeling like a gate and marching past like a wall. We colonials might be satisfied to conform to Sir Frederick's low standards, but to propose to bring *the* service down to such a pitch is nothing less than prospective anarchy.

THE *United Service Gazette*, which has lately embodied in its title "Organ of Imperial federation" announces that

"A detachment of Royal Engineers are now busily engaged in preparing on the spot plans for the defence of British Columbia, and it is believed that the works will be commenced before next spring. Besides the men belonging to the Imperial service, it is proposed that the Dominion shall augment its permanent militia force to garrison the place."

This augmentation probably refers to the enrolment of C battery of artillery, which has not yet been effected. If at any time it proves necessary to do this it will be found that a special rate of pay will be exacted, for recruits could neither be got nor retained at such figures as A and B batteries receive. Money over there is not worth as much as here; it is more easily earned, and its purchasing power is much less.

COLONEL O'BRIEN must be thoroughly enjoying his work on the British Columbia coast, for it seems to have been made especially for the delectation of engineer officers. Esquimalt harbor on Vancouver Island and Burrard Inlet on the mainland are so situated as to lend themselves with great facility to defence either by torpedo and mine service or by land fortifications against attacks from seaward, and the last named point possesses great strategical importance, as being the terminus of the railway. Many other harbors we are informed are naturally quite as strong as either of these, but have not up to this been much used.

Common Sense on Parade, or Drill Without Stays.

BY LIEUT.-COLONEL THE RIGHT HON. J. H. A. MACDONALD, M.P.

(*Commandant the Queen's Edinburgh R. V. Brigade.*)

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WELL then, if this be so, it is not too much to say that to give men their steady training with touch, instead of in an order with intervals, is unphilosophical and absurd. It is only defended by the argument that you must first make men steady, and that this you cannot do without touch drill. This statement is mere assertion. Why should rubbing elbows tend any more to steadiness than an order with intervals? The truth is that this idea is prevalent, not because there is any natural relation between unsteadiness and drill with intervals, but because steadiness has not been exacted in what is called extended order. Steady drill has been dissociated from an order without touch. This is the mistake—a grievous, a fatal mistake.

"Soldiers ought to be quite as steady when in extended order as when in close order, and I am persuaded this is a great point to insist upon." (*Colonel Sir Lumley Graham.*) "There is nothing that requires more careful drill than the attack formation, in which it is of the utmost importance that the men should keep their direction and distances." (*Colonel Davies.*)

The great desideratum is, whatever the formation used may be, that men should be taught it most strictly for training and steadiness at one time, and at another most thoroughly and practically exercised in it in circumstances resembling war, and instructed how to apply it, not merely formally but intelligently, using the formation as a help to orderly action, and an aid to recovery from the unavoidable irregularities of the actual field. But the formation and mode of movement in the parade drill and in the action exercise should be the same. The parade and the field should be working out one thing, the former training in the valuable power of accuracy of detail, the other training in that higher education which can keep the good of detail, so as not to be bound by it as a slave, but rather to be always able to use it as a help. A great deal is said about "steady" drill and "loose" drill. There should be no such distinction. "All drill ought to be steady." (*Colonel Sir Lumley Graham.*) A "loose" order—that is an order in which the men are not placed tightly together—is not a thing which implies "loose" work. There should be no loose work. Thorough steady training in movement with intervals is not loose work. Thorough subsequent exercise in application of that training, by work in which intentional deviation from the mathematical accuracy of form is permitted in order to enable all to gain instruction in the business of fighting—the practical use of formations to help orderly conduct of the combat, and rapid recovery from any unavoidable loss of form or advisable departure from form—such work is in no sense loose work. They are two, rigid drill and action exercise. Each is the complement of the other and absolutely necessary. The first without the other is form without spirit—a dead thing; the latter without the former is spirit without substance, life without power of concentration, conservation and recovery or order and of energy.

"Let the battalion commander guard himself from over-valuing and from undervaluing forms. He undervalues them when he considers himself set free from taking the most thorough knowledge of them. He undervalues them when he does not learn to act most strictly within them. Only thus does he gain for himself the right to hold them as something inferior, and with knowledge and perspicacity to pass beyond them. He overvalues forms when he considers he has completed his work by the most brilliant battalion drill exhibition, when he does not remain conscious within himself that all his school exercises on the flat parade are only an elementary preparation for the leading and duties of a battalion." (*Von Tellenbach.*)

Most pregnant words; but words which are wholly misapplied, when the "forms" are understood to mean for us inconsistent with the practical field work. The former should by every possible means be made to lead up to the latter. The latter can never be used as freely as it should be, obtaining the utmost out of the intelligent handling of troops, unless by the steady training of the former the commander can have thorough confidence of being able to keep them truly in hand, with the power to rally them into orderly form rapidly and certainly. But it is the character of the real work to be done, that should be the one consideration in the choice of forms. Surely no one will maintain that field work and drill work should be inconsistent. Surely without some paramount reason to justify such a course, the mode of the one should not be made to teach something which must be abandoned in the other.

Let then troops be always exercised with an interval, that to move correctly with an interval, which is what they must come

to for all practical movements in the field, may become to them a second nature. Abandon the mechanical "feel for touch," and make retention of accuracy of interval, and its recovery when lost, the basis of all steady training. Train in this vigorously and persistently. For the words "soldiers must be carefully instructed in 'The Touch,' as it is the principal guide in marching," (*Field Exercise*) substitute "soldiers must be carefully instructed in moving with correct intervals, as this is the thing needful in all movements."—*Colburn's Magazine.*

(*To be continued.*)

Annual Gun Practice of Field Batteries for 1886.

LIEUT.-COL. D. T. IRWIN, Inspector of Artillery, has just issued the following memorandum of arrangements made in accordance with G. O. (11), 28.5.86, for the annual gun practice of field batteries in Ontario and Quebec. The firing will not only be recognized by the Department of Militia and Defence, but will count for the prizes offered by the D. A. A.

The gun practice in Ontario will be held at Port Hope and Port Colborne, and will commence at the former on the 28th September. That at Quebec will be held at the Island of Orleans on such dates as may be arranged by the Commandant, R.S.A., Quebec.

Transport will be paid for two officers and sixteen n.c. officers or men from each battery to the range and return; and an allowance of 75 cents for each for such days as necessarily absent from battery headquarters. Transport arrangements for batteries in Ontario will be made by Lieut.-Col. A. H. Macdonald, Guelph, who will furnish officers commanding batteries with the required number of tickets.

Tents and blankets will be provided on the ground; and officers commanding batteries or detachments will make their own arrangements for messing, in correspondence with the executive officer of each locality.

The following batteries will perform their practice, as follows:—

At Port Hope.—Ottawa and Toronto, 29th September.

" —Kingston and Gananoque, 30th September.

" —Durham, 1st October.

At Port Colborne.—Hamilton and Welland Canal, 4th October.

" —Guelph, Nos. 1 and 2 batteries, 5th October.

" —Loodon, 6th October.

Gun practice will commence each day at 9 a.m. Dinner, 1 to 2 p.m. Practice from 2 p.m. The batteries will fire alternately during the forenoon, at the preliminary practice; and the subsequent competitive practice will be continued by alternate competitors in the afternoon.

Officers commanding batteries will make the necessary requisitions for practice ammunition to be delivered at their practice locality without delay. The guns will be furnished by local batteries.

The uniform to be worn by officers and men will be drill order, with cloaks or great coats.

Lieut.-Col. Cotton, Assistant Inspector of Artillery, will act as umpire and camp commandant at each locality in Ontario; Major W. McLean, executive officer at Port Hope; Major King, executive officer at Port Colborne; Capt. J. B. Donaldson, Register Keeper; Lieut. L. H. Irving, T. G. B., range officer; Capt. W. Clarke, 1st Prov. Brigade, camp quarter-master, at Port Colborne; 1 n.c. officer and 6 men, 1 trumpeter; R. S. A. Kingston; 1 n.c. officer and 2 men, 1 trumpeter, local battery.

The local batteries will provide medical officer.

The range officer and quarter-master will report to the executive officer in sufficient time before the practice, to lay out range, receive stores, &c.

The rules for competitive gun practice, as published by the D. A. A. will be strictly adhered to. Any No. 5 firing a gun before the command fire is given by his No. 1, will be disqualified so far as the score which he may make may entitle him to any individual prize. The Umpire's decision to be final.

A Torpedo Corps at Halifax.

INTERESTING torpedo experiments have lately been made at the entrance of Halifax harbor. Last spring Capt. Rawson, R.E., came out from England for the purpose of forming a body of men chosen from the citizens of Halifax who would undergo a thorough schooling in the art of defending the harbor by means of submarine explosives, so that in case of war they would be able to take part with the Imperial troops in guarding the port against the foe. Advertisements were inserted in the daily papers, and over one hundred applications were received. The best of the lot were taken, particular attention being paid to their char-

acter and standing in the community. Thirty entered at once into training, and exhibited a wonderful aptitude and desire to learn. Their engagement was for one year, and during that time they will be in the pay of the Imperial government, receiving one dollar and one dollar and a quarter a day according to their duties. They live at their homes, two of them sleeping at night on board the government steamer *Miner*. The experiments were conducted by these men; and not a hitch occurred. A raft manned by dummy soldiers undertook to pass over a submarine mine, being towed by a steam launch. It didn't get over, however, a terrible explosion sending it about one hundred feet up in the air, and breaking it into splinters. The dummy soldiers were rescued from the water afterwards, but were in a pretty dilapidated state.

The second experiment showed how effectually the harbor could be guarded in case of invasion by an enemy. Two steam launches sailing up the harbor entered the torpedo enclosures, when suddenly there appeared above the surface of the water two mines, which, upon being touched by any vessel, would instantly explode and blow her into fragments. In case of actual war these mines would not come to the surface, but would remain a few feet under the water. Yesterday they were brought up in sight of the spectators, so as to give a better idea of how the work was done. The third experiment, showing the manner in which the safe channel through the mine field is marked out for friendly vessels, was quite as interesting as the others, and was in every respect a success. The buoys marking out the course came to the surface at the word of command and disappeared again with the same despatch.

The explosion of three twenty-five pound charges of gun cotton on Ives Knoll concluded the programme. An enormous body of water was sent high in the air, forming a rare and beautiful sight. The mines were all operated from Point Pleasant by electricity. Charlottetown harbor might be defended by similar means.—*Halifax Chronicle*.

The D. R. A. Prize Meeting.

THIRTY-THREE targets, of which twenty-five were for regular and eight for extra series matches, rose into view on the Rideau range upon the sound of the second signal gun, at a quarter to nine on the morning of Monday the 30th ult., and without more ado or unnecessary formality, the firing in the annual matches of the Dominion Rifle Association began. Eight targets in the old butts by the bank of the Rideau river, were utilized for the extra series matches, four for 500 yards and four for 600 yards, in either the Snider or Martini series. They were kept pretty constantly going until the close of the meeting, the usual anxious crowds of riflemen constantly waiting about for their turns. According to programme the regular targets were frequently, for short periods, all thrown open for extra series firing, but still there were some anxious to shoot who could not be accommodated.

Early on the morning of the opening day there had been a heavy fall of rain. When the Nursey match opened, however, the sun was shining brightly, though there was apparently more rain in store, but a heavy and uncertain wind blew from the right and proved very troublesome, sudden gusts causing innumerable misses, so that the seventy-seventh of the 156 men competing scored only 12 points in his five shots.

The 400 yards range of the Macdougall match was fired immediately upon the conclusion of the Nursey. The wind had become a little more steady, and fair average scores were made. While the 600 yards stage was going on in the afternoon, a sharp shower of rain fell, causing the scores in this match to take a tumble also. A mist coming up, firing had to be suspended for about ten minutes, and even when it was resumed there was still some difficulty in seeing the targets. The only other match completed on Monday was the Manufacturers', in which the scoring was fair.

On Tuesday the light was better, and the wind had fallen a little, though still very uncertain. It was not, however, nearly so bothersome as on the preceding day. The three matches set down on the programme—the Rideau, Minister of Militia, and Ouimet, were completed, the last named somewhat behind time, so that the light to a certain degree failed the concluding pairs.

On Wednesday the light was all that could be desired, the sun shining brightly, though the heat was not excessive. The wind was still a little troublesome, but not so much so as on the preceding days. The Standing match was the first to be fired. The scoring in this was very satisfactory, though none got very high, two thirty-ones heading the list, yet the average was good, the last prize being taken with but one point below inners. The Dominion of Canada match, the last in the grand aggregate, occupied all the rest of the day. Low aggregates were known to be general, but few were prepared for the announcement made on Wednesday evening that 232 secured a place in the Governor-General's sixty. Last year, when the Standing match was not in the aggregate, the lowest was 236.

On Thursday morning the Provincial match for the London Merchants' Cup was fired, being won by Quebec with the very low score of 349, New Brunswick being a bad second with 328. Four men who had made 232 each for the last three places in the sixty, shot off five rounds at 600 yards, Lieut. Langstroth, 8th cavalry, and Capt. Kinnear, 75th, made 15 points each, Staff-Sergt. Armstrong, Guards, made 14, and Capt. Corbin, 63rd, made but 7 points, and consequently failed to secure a place. The Governor-General's match was fired with the Martini, and the scores presented a marked contrast to those made with the Snider in the Merchants' Cup match fired just previously. Sergt. Loggie, of the 73rd, performed the remarkable feat of, for the second year in succession, winning the first prize, \$250, which he did with a score of 91 points; by his last shot, a bull's eye, going ahead of Staff-Sergt. Armstrong, Guards, who had finished just previously with 90. In the afternoon the Military matches were fired, these being for the Gzowski Challenge Cup, the British Challenge Shield, and for the Marquis of Lorne's special prizes for British Columbia competitors. The extra series targets were closed at three o'clock. In addition to the 500 and 600 yards extra series targets, there were two first-class targets for the matches at 800 and 900 yards. The number of competitors in these matches was comparatively small, and some, who after a trial in the extra series, had come to the conclusion that they could do nothing at long range shooting, were surprised to find their names in the prize list; 28 out of 70 came in in the extra series, fired with the Martini, but in the regular match, in which any rifles were allowed, the lowest prize-winning score was 55. This shows how limited is the number of those at all proficient in long range shooting. In the Revolver match there was keen competition amongst the few who took part, and the prize winning scores were good.

The distribution of prizes took place this year again, while the Military matches were in progress, and as a consequence a great many who had won prizes could not be present to receive them from the distinguished ladies and gentlemen invited to make the presentations. Amongst those were Sir John and Lady Macdonald, Sir Fred. and Lady Middleton, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, and Mrs. Powell.

The six extra series matches closing simultaneously on Thursday afternoon, and the late hour at which the military matches were concluded, made it impossible to have the prize lists prepared in time to pay prizes in them that evening, and in consequence the treasurer was in attendance at the range on Friday morning, when quite a number received their prizes. Below will be found complete prize lists, which show some changes from those posted on the range, mistakes having occurred in the huray of compilation:—

MONDAY.

NURSERY MATCH—500 YARDS, 5 ROUNDS.

\$20 Tr. Duncan, P.L.D.G.....	21	\$4 Pte. Murdoch, 13th.....	15
15 Corpl. W. Langstroth, 8th Cav.....	21	4 Sergt. Carmichael, 56th.....	15
10 Lieut. Dimock, 78th.....	20	4 Pte. Ward, 6th.....	15
10 Capt. Sims, 3rd.....	20	4 Major Jackson, 85th.....	15
10 Gr. Faulkner, H.G.A.....	20	4 Pte. Fairweather, Guards.....	14
10 Pte. Bellingham, 5th.....	20	4 Color-Sergt. McCrae, 1st P.W.R.....	14
10 Sap. Hunt, Montreal Eng.....	19	4 Sergt. Dowker, M.G.A.....	14
10 Pte. Henderson, 25th.....	19	4 Pte. McDiarmid, 90th.....	14
10 Lieut. McElmon, 74th.....	19	3 Corpl. Cribb, 78th.....	14
10 Pte. Taylor, Guards.....	18	3 Lieut. Johnson, Q.O.R.....	14
10 Pte. Bent, 93rd.....	18	3 Corpl. Taylor, 63rd.....	14
10 Pte. Bartlett, Q.O.R.....	18	3 Lieut.-Col. Wolfenden, B.C.G.A.....	14
5 Pte. Shaw, 3rd Vic.....	18	3 N. Robson, Huron R.A.....	14
5 Capt. Cox, 7th.....	17	3 Pte. Couricce 33rd.....	14
5 Pte. Kambery, 5th.....	17	3 Sergt. Davison, Char. Eng.....	14
5 Sergt. Major Doidge, W.F.B.....	17	3 Pte. Fenton, 56th.....	14
5 Capt. Brown, 54th.....	17	3 Sergt. McFarlane, 71st.....	14
5 Pte. R. Norton, 8th.....	17	3 Major Blaiklock, 5th.....	14
5 Lieut. Byrne, 7th.....	17	3 Pte. Norton, 8th.....	14
5 Pte. Swaine, 14th.....	17	3 L.-Corpl. Gallwey, Guards.....	13
5 Capt. Bruce, 95th.....	17	3 Capt. Brown, Q.O.R.....	13
5 J. R. Adam, V.R.C.....	17	3 Pte. Lordly, 62nd.....	13
5 Tr. Huston, Toronto Cav.....	16	3 Sergt. Bourne, St. John Rifles.....	13
5 Q.M. Sergt. Williamson, 45th.....	16	3 Lieut. Letourneau, 85th.....	13
5 Pte. Hall, 79th.....	16	3 Pte. Lear, 63rd.....	13
5 Pte. Mailleue, Guards.....	16	3 Corpl. Crooks, Q.O.R.....	13
5 Sergt. Purcell, 25th.....	16	3 Pte. McGreevy, 10th.....	13
5 Pte. Fraser, Q.O.R.....	16	3 Lieut.-Col. Lamontagne, Staff.....	13
4 Sergt. Ritchie, Q.O.R.....	16	3 Capt. Ilbotson, 5th.....	13
4 Sergt. Currie, 6th.....	16	3 Pte. Wilson, 6th.....	13
4 Capt. Edwards, 3rd.....	16	3 Bomb. Newbury, B.C.G.A.....	13
4 Staff-Sergt. Duncan, 12th.....	16	3 Staff-Sergt. Spearing, 53rd.....	13
4 Color-Sergt. Thomson, 8th.....	15	3 Lieut. Busteed, 3rd.....	13
4 Major Thompson, 55th.....	15	3 Corpl. Parks, St. John Rifles.....	13
4 Tr. Scott, P.L.D.G.....	15	3 Capt. Lulham, M.G.A.....	13
4 Pte. Sando, 45th.....	15	3 Pte. Cunningham, 51st.....	12
4 Capt. Hughes, 45th.....	15	3 Capt. Jones, B.C.G.A.....	12
4 Pte. Thorne, 25th.....	15	3 Capt. Sylvestre, 85th.....	12
4 Staff-Sergt. Curran, 10th.....	15	Fifteen 12's counted out. Entries 170.	

MACDOUGALL MATCH.—400 AND 600 YARDS, 5 ROUNDS.

\$25 Pte. Bartlett, Q.O.R.....	21	42	\$5 Pte. McCowan, 5th.....	22	16	38	
20 Capt. J. T. Hartt, St. John Rifles	25	17	42	5 Lieut. Fiske, 63rd.....	23	15	38
15 Pte. Mailleue, Guards.....	24	17	41	5 Pte. Kimmely, 49th.....	24	14	38
10 Pte. Gamble, 46th.....	22	18	40	5 Sergt. Pratt, Montreal Eng.....	18	19	37
10 Sergt. King, 45th.....	18	21	39	5 Staff-Sergt. Margettes, 13th.....	20	17	37
10 Lieut. Dimock, 78th.....	20	19	39	5 Capt. Bruce, 95th.....	20	17	37
10 Staff-Sergt. Ashall, Q.O.R.....	20	19	39	5 Staff-Sergt. Wynne, 5th.....	20	17	37
10 Capt. Adams, 13th.....	21	18	39	5 Capt. Kinnear, 74th.....	22	15	37
10 Capt. Hood, 5th.....	22	17	39	5 Sergt. Kennedy, Q.O.R.....	22	15	37
10 Tr. Beatty, 8th Cav.....	23	16	39	5 Staff-Sergt. Mitchell, 10th.....	23	14	37
10 Pte. Clark, 53rd.....	20	18	38	5 Lieut. McRobbie, 8th Cav.....	23	14	37
10 Capt. Wright, 43rd.....	21	17	38	5 Sergt. Thomson, 8th R.R.....	24	13	37
10 Capt. Brown, 54th.....	21	17	38	5 Pte. R. Norton, 8th.....	18	18	36
5 Pte. Graham, 13th.....	22	16	38	5 Pte. Riddle, 6th.....	19	17	36

Table listing names and scores for the 500 Yards, 7 Rounds match, including Sergt. Short, Guards, Major Wilson, retired list, etc.

MANUFACTURERS.—500 YARDS, 7 ROUNDS.

Table listing names and scores for the Manufacturers match, including Capt. Sylvestre, 85th, Staff-Sergt. Bell, 12th, etc.

TUESDAY.

RIDEAU MATCH.—500 YARDS, 7 ROUNDS.

Table listing names and scores for the Rideau match, including Capt. Hartt, St. John Rifles, Q.M.-Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A., etc.

MINISTER OF MILITIA MATCH.—500 AND 600 YARDS, 7 ROUNDS.

Team Prizes.

Table listing team prizes for the Minister of Militia match, including Guelph Rifle Association, Kingston Rifle Association, etc.

There were 37 teams entered.

Individual Prizes.

Table listing individual prizes for the 500 Yards, 7 Rounds match, including Lieut. Kincaid, 6th Cav., Corpl. McCutcheon, 55th, etc.

QUIMET MATCH.—600 YARDS, 7 ROUNDS.

Table listing names and scores for the Quimet match, including Lieut. Cartwright, 47th, Sergt. Goodwin, 13th, etc.

WEDNESDAY.

STANDING.—200 YARDS, 7 ROUNDS.

Table listing names and scores for the Standing match, including Major Todd, Guards, Staff-Sergt. Armstrong, Guards, etc.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—200, 500 AND 600 YARDS, 7 ROUNDS.

Team Prizes.

Table listing team prizes for the Dominion of Canada match, including \$60 and badge to each member—82nd and P.E.I. team, etc.

There were 23 teams entered.

Individual Prizes.

Table of individual prizes with columns for prize amount, name, and score. Includes entries like 'Q.M. Sergt. Ogg, 1st B.F.A.' and 'Pte. Swaine, 14th.'.

Continuation of individual prizes table, including entries like 'Capt. Kinnear, 74th.' and 'Pte. Swaine, 14th.'.

LONG RANGE—800 AND 900 YARDS, SEVEN SHOTS, ANY RIFLES—UNLIMITED ENTRIES.

Table of long range shooting results with columns for name, hits, and score. Includes 'Sergt. Goodwin, 13th' and 'Pte. Omand, 13th'.

GZOWSKI MILITARY MATCH.

Table of Gzowski Military Match results, including 'Skirmishing', 'Volley', and 'Ind. firing' categories.

The following were the scores of other teams competing:—

Table of scores for other teams like 'British Columbia' and 'Victoria Rifles'.

The Sixth Fusiliers were ruled out for an infraction of the rules governing the match. Their score was 329.

BRITISH CHALLENGE SHIELD.

Table of British Challenge Shield results, including 'Shield and \$40, Eight Royal Rifles'.

The other scores were as follows:

Table of other scores for various teams like 'Sixth Fusiliers' and 'Princess Louise Dragoons'.

SPECIAL PRIZES FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Table of special prizes for British Columbia, including 'Br. Newbury, British Columbia Garrison Artillery'.

MARTINI MATCHES—UNLIMITED ENTRIES.

Series A.—500 yards, seven rounds.

Large table of Martini Match results for Series A, listing names and scores for 500-yard matches.

Series B.—600 yards, 7 rounds.

Large table of Martini Match results for Series B, listing names and scores for 600-yard matches.

GRAND AGGERATE.—OF SCORES IN SEVEN PRECEDING MATCHES.

Table of grand aggregate scores from seven previous matches, listing names and total scores.

THURSDAY.

LONDON MERCHANTS' CUP.—500 AND 600 YARDS, 7 ROUNDS.

Table of London Merchants' Cup results, comparing 'Quebec Rifle Association' and 'New Brunswick Rifle Association'.

There were four other provincial teams entered, whose scores were as follows:

Table of scores for four other provincial teams: Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, and Manitoba.

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S MATCH.—200 500 AND 600 YARDS, 7 ROUNDS—MARTINI.

Table of Governor General's Match results, including prize amounts and names like 'Sergt. Loggie'.

THE WIMBLEDON TEAM.

To be chosen in the following order:—

Table listing the order of selection for the Wimbledon team, including names like 'Capt. Hartt, St. John Rifles'.

Series C.—800 and 900 yards, seven rounds. Best score at each range to count.

Table listing names and scores for Series C, 800 and 900 yards, seven rounds. Includes names like Sewing machine—Sergt. Loggie, 73rd, and various other competitors with their respective scores.

EXTRA SERIES—SNIDER.

Table for EXTRA SERIES—SNIDER, No. 1—500 yards, five rounds. Lists names and scores for competitors like Bomb Newbury, B C G A, and Pte Macdonald, 49th.

Table for EXTRA SERIES—SNIDER, No. 2.—600 yards, five rounds. Lists names and scores for competitors like Corpl Parks, St John Rifles, and Corpl Taylor, 63rd.

REVOLVER MATCH—25 YARDS, SEVEN SHOTS.

Table for REVOLVER MATCH—25 YARDS, SEVEN SHOTS. Lists names and scores for competitors like Mr. O'Leary, Ottawa R C, and Lieut. H W. Chamberlin, 43rd.

The Target.

Ottawa.—The annual prize meeting of the 43rd O. & C. Rifles' association, postponed from the 10th instant, will be begun on the 1st October next, when a prize list similar to that of last year will be offered.

The eighth Snider spoon competition of the Ottawa rifle club was held on Saturday afternoon 11th inst. There was nothing in the weather to justify the prevalent low scoring, the day being fine, with a dull sky and a light right rear wind. The following are the scores:—

Table showing scores for The Target competition. Lists names and scores for competitors like Capt. Perley, Major Macpherson, and Mr. Fairweather.

Winnipeg.—The annual match of A Company, 90th, was held on the 10th, on the Kildonan range, but owing to a cross wind the scoring was comparatively poor. In the aggregate of 7 shots at 200, 400 and 500, for prizes in kind, the following won in the order given. Pte. Lamb (silver cup by Capt. Macdonald), Staff-Sergt. McEwen, Sergt.-Major Watson, Pte. McNally, Col.-Sergt. Buckler, Sergt. Riddler, Pte. Moorcroft, Lieut. Matth, Pte. Polson, Pte. Quigley, Pte. McBean, Pte. Golding, Corpl. Kemp, Pte. Wallace, Sergt. Doyle, Pte. Ross, Pte. Woolner, Pte. Jones, Pte. Richardson, Pte. J. Mitchell, Pte. Ingram, Pte. Huckell, Bugler Bailey. There was also a prize for the highest score at each range. That for 200 yards was won by Pte. Lamb with a score of 27, after shooting off a tie with Sergt. Riddler. At 400, Staff-Sergt. McEwen won with 27. He was also the highest at 500 with 28, but the prize was allowed to Pte. McNally, who was second with 22.

After the shooting the company adjourned to Clougher's restaurant, where the annual supper was held. Capt. Macdonald presided, and on his right sat Major Forrest. The vice chairs were occupied by Lieut. Arnold and Sergt.-Major Watson. Major Forrest and Capt. Macdonald made brief complimentary addresses. Everybody enjoyed the few hours spent around the tables and all joined heartily in singing Auld Lang Syne and the National Anthem, when, shortly before midnight, the company dispersed.

In his remarks Capt. Macdonald paid a well-deserved tribute to Sergt. Riddler, who was most indefatigable in his exertions to make the matches a success, and who has always shown that he has the interests of 'A' company most thoroughly at heart.

Charlottetown.—At the P. E. I. provincial meeting the Governor-General's silver medal and the D.R.A. silver medal were both won by Lieut. Crockett, 82nd, and the Governor-General's bronze medal by Sergt. Johnstone, of the Garrison Artillery. There were 83 competitors at the meeting. These details were omitted from our account last week.

Regimental Notes.

(We wish to publish information respecting all the doings of all corps. Will the officers interested, particularly at a distance, assist us by having news relating to their corps promptly forwarded?)

St. John, N.B.—A most enjoyable concert was given by the club of the 62nd Fusiliers at their club rooms on the evening of 7th September to a large and fashionable audience. The programme consisted of solos on the violin and cornet by bandsmen Seaton and Crean, the playing of the latter on the cornet being especially fine, two solos by Miss Nita Carritte, a talented vocalist of New York, but formerly of St. John, and several other songs by lady and gentleman amateurs, which were all duly appreciated by the audience. It is proposed to make these concerts monthly, as they are much enjoyed by both the members of the corps and their friends.

The 62nd Fusiliers are still performing their annual drill, and having finished with the recruits, are devoting their time to battalion drill, and rapid progress is noted from week to week. At the parade on 8th inst. at the drill sheds, many encomiums were passed on Col. Blaine for the way he handled the corps, and executed some difficult movements in the limited space at his command which necessitated quick work by all ranks, especially the markers, who were found well up in their duties.

E. company, Capt. Edwards, were given an oyster supper after the parade, at the Lorne restaurant, when several of the officers were present as guests. A pleasant evening was spent interspersed with songs by officers and men. On Monday 13th inst. the battalion had a route march through the city and suburbs accompanied by their bands.

Capt. W. C. Magee, 62nd Fusiliers, will join the I.S.C. on 1st October for a short course.

Belleville.—The 6th Fusiliers of Montreal are expected here for an outing on the 24th inst. Good grounds have been offered them for their accommodation and the city and the 15th battalions will give them a hearty and substantial welcome.

The government has not yet supplied the funds for building a drill shed, so the 15th, though a city corps, have not where to lay their heads—or arms and feet rather. The rifle range is in daily use now by members of the 15th practising for their annual matches. The new 1886 Dominion ammunition is much liked.

Winnipeg.—The field battery, which has been in camp for the last twelve days at Fort Rouge has been particularly unfortunate in chancing on wet weather for their outing. The following promotions are in orders. To be corporals—Albert Walker and Charles Richardson. To be bombardiers—gunners Bowman, Norquay, E. Armstrong and J. W. Taylor.

Col. Irwin is expected in Winnipeg on the 15th or 16th to inspect the battery. There is now a complement of horses for three guns, and an extra limber. There is a wheel lacking for the fourth gun. It has been shipped, but will probably not arrive here till after camp breaks up.

There will be shell practice on Wednesday or Thursday next at Little Stony Mountain, that being the nearest point at which a safe mile or mile and a quarter range can be had.

Gleanings.

The Enfield Martini is a failure. If any further proof of this is wanted beyond the recent experiments, it is to be found in the fact that the responsible authorities dare not trust these wonderful weapons out of their own hands, except among regular troops and upon certain conditions. The love of Mr. Childers for the clumsy and dangerous Martini breech action is incomprehensible, and how any intelligent soldier can wish to break the gauge at all, and especially to reduce it, is a sealed mystery. The question is, does the responsible department wish to force a "fad" on the nation, at an expense of millions, or does it want a first-class military arm? Alone amongst the nations we resist the bolt action, as alone we stuck to muzzle-loading field guns. Woolwich and Enfield may well shake hands; but the Small Arms King must now look out.—V. Service Review.

Militia General Orders of 31st July.

No. 1.—RETURN FROM LEAVE.

Major-General Sir Fred. D. Middleton, K.C.M.G., C.B., having returned to Canada from leave of absence, resumes command of the militia from the 24th July instant.

No. 2.—PENSIONS.

Pensions will be paid half-yearly in advance on the 1st January and 1st July of each year. Broken periods from the date a pension is authorized will be paid for at the time the first regular half-yearly payment thereafter is made.

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No. 3.—REGULATIONS AND ORDERS FOR THE MILITIA, 1883.

Band Music.

Corps requiring a new issue of a set of the brigade band music, specified in paragraph 227 of the Regulations and Orders, 1883, can be supplied with such at \$1.50 per set.

The money to be deposited to credit of receiver-general and the receipt of it transmitted to Ottawa with the requisition for the articles.

No. 4.—ACTIVE MILITIA—REGULATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL DRILL OF 1886-67

Camps.

Adverting to paragraph under the heading "camps" of No. 2 of general orders (11) 28th May, 1886, the "places and dates of the several encampments" are as follows:—

District No. 2, Niagara, Ont., on the 7th September, 1886. " 9, Aldershot, N. S. 7th "

5th Cavalry.—To be major, Capt. Charles William Sbeppard, C.C., from No. 5 troop, vice Taylor, promoted.

8th Cavalry.—To be adjutant, Capt. Frederick Vernon Wedderburn, S. C., from F troop, vice R. W. Otty, promoted.

Quebec F. B. A.—Lieut. Charles F. Thibaudeau retires with the rank of 2nd lieutenant.

Winnipeg F. B. A.—To be veterinary surgeon, Willet James Hinman, V.S., vice Rutherford, resigned.

1st Halifax B. G. A.—To be captains, Lieut. Alexander Anderson, R.S.A., vice John Horton Balcam, who retires retaining rank.
 2nd Lieut. Herbert Alfred Boggs, R.S.A., vice James Shand, who reverts to the retired list of captains.
 To be lieutenants, 2nd Lieut. Oscar Newman, R.S.A., vice Kane, promoted; Lancelot John Bland, G.S. (formerly captain in this brigade), vice Skimmings, resigned.
 To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., William Edward Monteith Romans, vice Black, resigned.

N. B. B. G. A.—No. 2 Bat.—To be lieutenant, prov., Albert Arthur Clark, vice Gordon, promoted.

A Co. I. S. C.—Lieut. and Capt. James Alex. Bremner, having passed the required examination, and obtained a first-class "long course" grade A certificate, his appointment as an officer of the permanent corps is hereby confirmed.

New Westminster Rifle Co.—Asst. Surg. Charles Newland Trew to have the rank of Surgeon from 28th May, 1885.

1st Batt.—Lieut. Robert William Gambier-Bousfield, and 2nd Lieut. Thomas James Tait, resign.

8th Batt.—Promotions in this battalion will in future be made "according to seniority" in the battalion.
 Lieut. and Adjt. Ernest Frederick Wurtele, R.M.C., to have the rank of captain.

12th Batt.—No. 8 Co.—To be lieutenant, 2nd Lieut. John Lanskail, M.S., vice Symons, promoted.

14th Batt.—Q. M. and Hon. Capt. Henry James Spriggs to have the hon. rank of major from 30th June.

15th Batt.—The name of Lieut. Cyril Wrangham Bird, is as now stated, and not as described in general orders (13), 18th June, 1886.

16th Batt.—No. 6 Co.—To be 2nd lieutenant, provisionally, Sergt. Lucius Hart Carter, vice Reynolds, resigned.

No. 7 Co.—To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., Sergt. Ridley Anderson, vice Glenn, resigned.

26th Batt.—No. 6 Co.—To be lieutenant, George Wilson (late col.-sergt. H. M. army), vice McRoberts, promoted.

30th Batt.—No. 8 Co.—To be lieutenant, prov., Sergt. James Albert Strong, vice Waugh.

To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., Corpl. Thomas William Johnson, vice Robbins.

54th Batt.—No. 6 Co.—The headquarters of this company are changed from Drummondville to Kirkdale.

To be captain, prov., Thomas Somers Blackwell, vice William John Watts, who retires retaining rank.

To be lieutenant, prov., William Mitchell, vice N. F. C. Boisvert, deceased.

To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., Thomas Anderson Bishop, vice Charles Reid, left limits.

56th Batt.—No. 2 Co.—To be 2nd lieutenant, Private Lewis Rogan, S.I., (1st B), vice McKillop.

No. 5 Co.—To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., Joseph Zephirin Triganne, vice Pacaul.

61st Batt.—No. 4 Co.—To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., Charles Eugene Borgault, vice Adelbert Proteau, left limits.

No. 6 Co.—To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., Edmond Savard, vice Scott, promoted.
 To be surgeon, Capt. (prov.) L. J. E. Desjardins, M.D., from No. 3 Co., vice Ulrie Antoine Belanger, M.D., absent without leave.

66th Batt.—To be captain, from 19th March, 1886, Lieut. Alfred Whitman, M.S., vice Andrew Mackinlay, who retires retaining rank.
 Lieut. Beaumont Boggs resigns.

69th Batt.—No. 6 Co.—To be 2nd Lieut. prov., Sergt. John Lockwood Nicholl, vice Nicholl, promoted.

No. 7 Co.—Lieut. Joseph Buckler, having left limits, his name is removed from the list of officers of the active militia.

74th Batt.—To be major, Capt. John Milton Baird, S.I., from No. 5 Co., vice Wetmore, retired.

No. 5 Co.—To be captain, Lieut. John Alonzo Bowes, V.B., vice Baird.
 To be lieutenant, prov., Sergt. Welbourne Sears, vice Bowes, promoted.

76th Batt.—To be surgeon, Henri Hervieux, M.D., vice Philemon Laberge, neglected to attend annual drill.

88th Batt.—No. 2 Co.—To be lieutenant, prov., Sergt. Pierre Clement, vice Alfred Cimon, left limits.

No. 6 Co.—To be 2nd lieutenant, prov., Pte. Alfred Tremblay.
 To be quarter-master, Lieut. (prov.) Louis Charles Begin, from No. 3 Co., vice Simon Cimon, neglected to attend annual drill.

92nd Batt.—No. 4 Co.—To be lieutenant, prov., Alfred Fortier, vice Jean Evangeliste Richard, deceased.

BREVET.

To be major, Capt. John Raney, C.C., Prescott troop of cavalry, from 5th Nov., 1885.

CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

Lieut. William Howard Asselstine, S.I., No. 2 Co., 41st Batt., from 30th June, '86.
 2nd Lieut. William Allan Higinbotham, R.S.A., No. 2 Bat., 1st Prov. Brig. Field Art., from 17th June, 1886.

2nd Lieut. William Noble Chisholm, S.I., No. 2 Co., 31st Batt., from 30th June, '86.
 2nd Lieut. Frederick Charles Blackstock Greer, S.I., No. 7 Co., 40th Batt., from 30th June, 1886.

2nd Lieut. Harry Oliver Morphy, S.I., 2nd Batt., from 30th June, 1886.
 2nd Lieut. Charles Macklem Nelles, S.I., No. 4 Co., 38th Batt., from 30th June, '86.

2nd Lieut. Albert Edward Gooderham, S.I., 10th Batt., from 30th June, 1886.
 2nd Lieut. Herbert Albert McKibbin, S.I., No. 5 Co., 56th Batt., from 30th June, 1886.

2nd Lieut. Joseph E. Phillippe Bergeron, R.S.A. (1st B), from date of appointment; 22nd April, 1886.

2nd Lieut. Charles Emeric Kerr Vidal, S.I., 6th Batt., from 30th June, 1886.
 2nd Lieut. Charles DeWolfe McDonald, S.I., No. 7 Co., 78th Batt., from 7th June, 1886.

No. 5.—CERTIFICATES GRANTED.

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Second Class Special Course.
 2nd Lieut. A. E. Gooderham, 10th Batt.

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Second Class Short Course, Grade B.
 Corpl. C. Pugh, 7th Batt.; Corpl. G. Peck and Pte. J. J. King, 12th Batt.;

Corpl. J. Finnigan, 26th Batt.; Sergts. G. Hill, J. Jodrell, W. Ross, R. Torry, and Corpl. J. McGirr, 31st Batt.; Ptes. J. Dean, W. G. Hogg and A. Strachan, 35th Batt.;

Sergt. A. Hall, 40th Batt.; Corpls. R. McQueen and W. R. Clarke, 47th Batt.; Pte. W. Findlay, 54th Batt.; Corpls. A. N. Brown and E. F. Mason, 57th Batt.;

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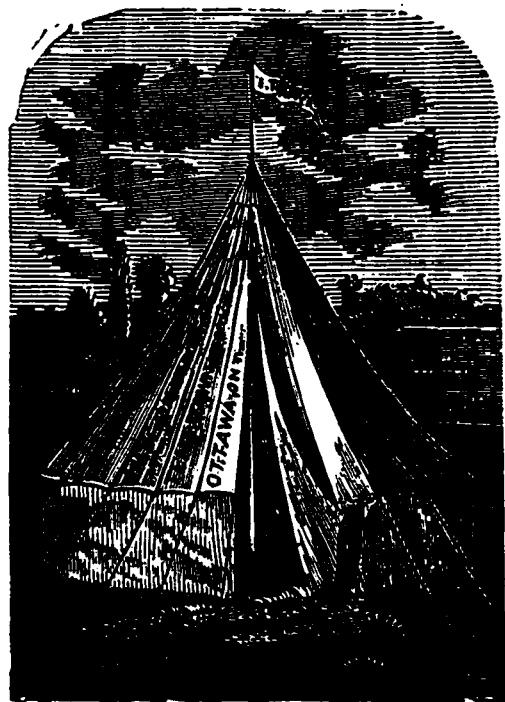
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