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## NOTE AND COMMENT.

The affairs of the Tenth Royal Grenadiers are paraded in two columns of the *Toronto Mail* of last Saturday by a mischief maker whose plaints are told at length by our Toronto correspondent. It is alleged that the commanding officer is not disposed to promote to the junior Majority an officer entitled to it by seniority and well qualified to discharge the duties, but under whom other officers of the corps do not wish to serve. The Colonel is charged with unbecoming weakness in hearkening to the murmurings of these officers, and allowing himself to be influenced also by a lady of the Grenadiers society circle whose good-will the opposed officer unfortunately does not possess.

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It is not long since another personal grievance was aired, relative to the officering of the Grenadiers. Then the contention was rather different, the Colonel being criticised for insisting upon retaining for a few years the command he had earned through long service and consequent seniority. The doctrine then proclaimed was that he should sacrifice himself to gratify the natural if impatient ambition of some juniors; but it seems that no one but the Colonel is expected to sacrifice himself, and that for all other posts military qualifications only are to be considered.

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Whatever the grievances of any officer in the Grenadiers may be, the letter in the *Mail* is a thoroughly discreditable production, and the general verdict will surely be that the writer is no friend either of the corps or of the officer whose cause he professes to champion. That there should be dissension amongst the officers is not surprising—it would be singular if there were not; but to make the trouble a matter of newspaper discussion is calculated to prevent rather than effect a reconciliation.

There is, however, a lesson for the whole militia in this unpleasant affair. That is, that greater care should be exercised in conferring commissions. It is not sufficient that a man will make a good enough subaltern; his character and disposition should be such as to fit him for the higher commands to which he will eventually aspire. And to properly fill these high places an officer should have means and good social position.

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The first mention we have seen of participation by our militia in the World's Fair celebration, was the intimation made by our Toronto correspondent last week that the Queen's Own Rifles Buglers contemplate the trip. The idea naturally suggests itself that a corps representative of the very best of our militia might be organised with little trouble, and equipped and drilled so as to appear with credit on that occasion. It would be a hard matter to get any one of our crack corps to go in a body, but each could easily send a picked company. We would like to have for our correspondence columns some opinions as to this scheme.

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When the National Rifle Association meets, on the 24th inst., the proposals made last year by a large number of competitors, that all the purely Volunteer contests should be confined to the first week of the annual competitions at Bisley, instead of in many cases being extended over the fortnight, will be again brought forward for discussion and consideration. The arguments in support are based on the fact that the competitors chiefly come from the provinces and Scotland, who enter mainly for the Queen's and St. George's Prizes, but who, with the extra target accommodation now afforded, could compete in many other matches in the first week. The prize meeting at Bisley is to commence on July 11.

## GLEANINGS.

Herr Maxim, the great gunmaker, has a scheme for attaching a camera to a big kite, by means of which it will be possible to obtain bird's-eye views of great cities without the trouble and peril of ballooning.

The following story is now making grand rounds: "A drill-instructor, one of the old stamp of martinet sergeants—who was the terror of every recruit, and the remorseless tyrant of the awkward squad—was putting a firing party through the funeral service. Having opened the ranks so as to admit the passage of the supposed *cortege* between them, the instructor ordered the men to rest on their arms reversed. Then, by way of practical information, he walked slowly down the lane formed by the two ranks, saying, as he did so: 'Now I'm the corpse; pay attention.' Having reached the end of the party, he turned round, regarded them steadily with a scrutinising eye for a moment or two and then remarked, in a most solemn tone of voice: 'Your hands is right, and your heads is right; but you 'aven't got that look of regret you ought to 'ave.'

That victories are won chiefly by legs was an axiom of the First Napoleon, the truth of which is universally admitted. It is especially applicable in the present day, when enormous armies on the theatre of war must be disseminated to be fed, and concentrated to fight. The fact is fully recognized in foreign armies, and great attention is therefore paid to the constant training of soldiers to perform long and rapid marches. The results are excellent. The Russian soldiers are notoriously untiring marchers. The Austrians march well, the Germans better. With reference to the latter, the able correspondent of the *Times*, during the recent manoeuvres, wrote the other day:—"The reputation of the Germans for marching has stood high ever since the last war. In 1883 I was with a brigade which averaged 32 miles a day for three consecutive days; but though I cannot this time reduce the work done to precise figures of distance, I can assert that, from my own observation and from what I learnt from the same officers who had been present on the occasion above alluded to, the work done was as hard again, for during the last week it was incessant and exactly as it would be in war."—*Army and Navy Gazette*.

## Regimental News.

### TORONTO.

#### A LETTER IN RED.

In last week's issue I was lamenting a dearth of news, but never expecting that the lull was for such a short time. A letter in the Saturday edition of the *Toronto Mail* furnished and is still furnishing food for gossip for not only the military but has made itself felt throughout society circles. The letter in question reflects on the management of the 10th Royal Grenadiers, and describes a deplorable state of affairs. Social influence it claims plays too important a part and reasons for Major Mason's retirement are given, also Brevet-Major Manley's unpleasant experiences. The letter is signed with the non-de-plume of "Retired List."

The bulk of the letter is devoted to proving the following points:

1. That the battalion is going to ruin at a "go, trot" pace.

2. That social influence plays too prominent a part in the regiment.

3. Moral vs. Social Standing.—That Brevet Major Manley is not enough of a society man to obtain his Majority in the regiment.

That the facts may be distorted a trifle is not an impossibility although the editor of the *Mail* prefaces the letter with a note in which he states that "enquiry showed that in the main at least the letter is substantially correct." Without going any further I do not think that "Retired List" can show a regiment in the militia of Canada or anywhere else for that matter in which in the minds of some of its members the feeling is not that their regiment is going to pieces as rapidly as possible, and in the first part of his letter if in no other the references to the jogg-tot ruin are not borne out, as I don't think that the regiment ever turned out better, and according to the report published in last issue the financial aspect is exceedingly rosy.

The writer then goes on to describe some of the events that led up to Major Mason's retirement, giving as one reason that, according to an officer's wife, Major Mason was not sufficiently high up in the social scale to succeed Col. Dawson and another that being a Roman Catholic he could not expect to command an Orange regiment, many of whose Non-Coms. are worshipful masters. The third and last part is devoted to the unpleasantness hovering over the head of Brevet Major Manley. One reason is given why he has not obtained the vacant majority and again it is "no social position," and it is also charged that a sort of round robin was to be presented to him asking him to waive his claim in preference for Capt. Hay. Petticoat government, according to "Retired List," plays a prominent part in everything connected with the regiment, and the influence of a clever woman seems to have been the cause of many annoy-

ances to officers of the regiment who are not in the social circle.

This letter is answered by one signed "Bang," who, however, does not offset any of the arguments or charges advanced by "Retired List," and evidently proves that those who could have and were in a position to answer did the very best thing from a military standpoint that could be done and that was to remain silent.

The *World* of Tuesday adds its quota to the affair in the shape of interviews with Lieut.-Col. Dawson, Brevet-Major Manley, Lieut. Irving, Capt. Hay and Major Mason.

Neither Lt.-Col. Dawson, Major Mason nor Major Manley would say anything, but sufficient was learned from the others to endorse the rumoured unpleasantness with Major Manley.

In answer to several questions Lieut. Irving made the following statements:

That the regiment was never in a better position.

That there is no society trouble and that officers could attend the social functions or not, just as they pleased, their absence not interfering with promotion.

That Major Manley was all right as far as cash was concerned but personally was distasteful to his brother officers.

Asked about Major Mason's leaving Lt. Irving replied that Major Mason left because of personal trouble with Col. Dawson of which Mr. Irving knew nothing, adding that all the officers and Col. Dawson included urged him to stay.

Capt. Hay was then called upon but seemed indisposed to take any notice whatever of the matter. Regarding the writer of letter No. 1, his comment was that it is such an infernally blackguardly thing to assail a lady who can't defend herself. The man who would write such a letter and not sign it, "Retired List" or not, shows that he has no "soldierly" sense of discipline and should be horse-whipped. He asserted that the regiment was never in better shape and that the officers would unanimously stand by Col. Dawson. There was no attempt to drive Captain Manley out he said, and he denied ever having seen the round robin spoken of. Speaking of the charges of breach of discipline contained in the second letter against Captain Manley he stated that they could be substantiated and further stated that the unpopular Captain must have a "pretty thick skin."

Briefly this is the state of the poll and it is highly deplorable that a regiment of the standing the Royal Grenadiers have attained, should be dragged through the mire and exposed to public criticism in this manner. The British public are in the habit of criticising matters of which they know next to nothing in a very severe manner, and more harm could be done to this regiment by the publicity given to this affair, than many years of hard work can efface. While, as the editor

of the *Mail* states, many of the assertions are in the main correct, "Retired List" has evidently been in the service long enough to know that this system of inaugurating reform can only have the opposite effect to the one he has in view. The letter in a sense appears to champion Major Manley in his claims to the Majority. Personally, I do not think that Major Manley is so lax in his loyalty to his regiment as to wish this promotion through heaping up odium on its head, and which would certainly make his position all the harder to fill if he were to be promoted; and again I think that think that if the officers choose to inaugurate and hold social gatherings during the season in which they are exempt from drill, there surely can be no great crime committed, although it certainly will not conduce to the welfare of any regiment if the counsels of the other sex are to make themselves felt, and if the departure is made there these ladies must share in any criticisms on their management that may be indulged in, as they certainly would share in the credit if any of their plans came to successful issue. I don't think "Retired List" meant anything ungentlemanly in his innuendoes, but would certainly say that the influence must have been most marked to make it so apparent to him.

With regard to "Bang's" reference to Major Manley's discipline and a recent incident, he speaks as if that has nothing to do with the question at issue. Major Manley knew nothing of the letter written by "Retired List" and I don't see why he takes this opportunity of giving a dig at this officer, who seems to have got such a hornet's nest about him.

With regard to the incident referred to Major Manley acted as he thought in the interest of his regiment and of the shooting men at large, and I might just add that if the commanding officer and the officers of another corps could unbend and endeavour by meetings and other ways to get at the feeling of the men under their command in the satisfactory manner they did surely others could have followed suit and not refused to consult the shooting men of their regiment in a matter so important to them and to the interest of a regiment. If Major Manley committed an indiscretion in rushing into print, were there not others equally guilty. But for the protests that were raised a worthless range (worthless, with a 25-cent fare to pay) would have been foisted upon the city regiments to replace the much more valuable and accessible range on the Common. Thanks to the better spirit prevailing in the regiment this will have no other effect than cementing stronger than ever the ties that bind all its members and if there should be any family falling out, then I don't believe in anyone outside of that family of officers, N.C.O.'s and men taking part in the quarrel. People, nowadays, are too prone to rush into

print and newspapers are too fond of seizing a little thing and magnifying it into colossal proportions. The Grenadiers are all right and if future events should ever require their assistance, the motto of "Ready, aye ready" will be found just as deep in the hearts of the men of to-day, despite any interior dissensions, as was found in 1885 when they so loyally responded to the call of duty.

## NOTES.

There is dissatisfaction, so says the *Toronto World*, among the city stone-cutters over the fact that the limestone for the new drill shed is to be imported from the St. Alban's quarries, Portneuf, Que., cut and ready to put into the building. The men who cut it get only \$2 or \$3 per day of ten hours, while the wages in Toronto are 43 cents an hour.

The short course term of instruction commenced at C School on Monday, February 1st, with the following officers enrolled: Lieut.-Col. Waylong, 12th Batt.; Capts. Lands and Renton, 39th Batt.; Capts. Robertson, McGillivray and Hendrie, and Lieuts. Michie and McLan, 48th Highlanders; Lieuts. Gillitt and McLean, 43rd Ottawa and Carleton Rifles; Lieut. Coombe, 39th Batt.; Lieut. Dick, 34th Batt.; and Lieut. Van Loan, 37th Batt.

## RUSSIAN FIELD-MORTAR BATTERIES.

(United Service Gazette.)

In a recent number we gave some particulars of comparative trials carried out in Russia between the new mortar batteries and the heavy field batteries (42 inch,) which showed the immense superiority of shell fire possessed by the mortar batteries. Some additional particulars of the composition of the Russian mortar batteries will therefore probably be of interest, more especially as the introduction of similar field batteries in all the great armies of the Continent is now but a question of time. The inadequacy of direct fire employed against troops under cover of even the most hastily constructed entrenchments was clearly shown at Plevna, and this inadequacy is likely to be still more clearly exemplified in the future in view of the immense development which spade work is sure to assert for itself in modern battle-fields. A recent writer compares the battle fields of the future to the siege of a fortress where the advances will be made by sap and parallel until one side or the other arrives within striking distance.

Opinions may well differ as to whether this cautious and leisurely method of conducting battles is probable or not; but there can be no difference of opinion as to the certainty of the fact that every commander will endeavour to keep his troops as much as possible under cover, either by making use of the natural features of the ground or of shelter trenches. The necessity for vertical fire in the field, which has long been recognised in siege oper-

ations, therefore become more and more apparent unless gunners are content to see the supremacy of their weapon give place to the long-range rifle of the infantry soldier. Hitherto the difficulty has been to obtain powerful vertical fire in combination with a gun which whilst firing a heavy shell, shall yet be sufficiently light to be manoeuvred with the same facility as an ordinary field gun. This difficulty appears to have been fairly solved by General Engelhardt, of the Russian Artillery, by his introduction of a 6-inch mortar firing from a two-wheeled gun carriage, which differs but very slightly from the ordinary carriage used for a field gun. The mortar, which has a calibre of 6 inches, is made of steel, weighs 9 cwt. (1,014 lb.) and fires a shell of 70½ lb. It is carried on a two-wheeled carriage and limber, drawn by six horses. When unlimbered the breech end drops between the checks of the trail, and the mortar itself is supported in advance of the trunnions, on the axle-tree by two obliquely arranged elastic brackets, which are built up of four discs of india-rubber, separated from each other by metallic washers. Below the axle-tree bed connection is made with the ground by two articulated truncated conical supports, joined together at the bottom by a wide shoe, so as to afford a firm basis when resting on the ground. These supports are also built up of india-rubber and are chained up to the trail when the mortar is limbered up. The whole arrangement is so designed that the entire shock when the mortar is fired is absorbed by the rubber brackets and pedestal supports, so that no strain whatever is thrown on the axle and wheels. The shell, which, as before stated, weighs 70½ lb., contains a bursting charge of 12½ lb.; it is fired with a charge of 34-5 lb., and has an initial velocity of 771 feet, with a range of 3,500 yards. The mortar also fires a shrapnel containing 610 balls. The gun limber holds twelve projectiles and eighteen cartridges. The whole gun-carriage with limber and ammunition complete, weighs about 40 cwt.

At the present moment the Russian Army has three mortar regiments of four batteries each. The first two regiments were organised in December 1890, and the third at the end of last year, after the success of the system had been fully ascertained during the annual manoeuvres. On a peace footing each regiment numbers 25 officers, 741 men, and 269 horses, and on a war footing 25 officers, 971 men, and 722 horses. Each battery has six mortars drawn by six horses, and during peace time two-wheeled ammunition waggons drawn by a single horse. On a war footing the batteries are horsed in the same manner, but in addition to the six one-horse waggons it has also eighteen four-wheeled four-horsed ammunition caissons and a spare gun-carriage, besides a certain number of other waggons for communication with the rear.

## ATHLETIC

## Sports and Pastimes

There are ever recurring periods of expansion and depression in the history of all sports. And the amusement which is this year the rage to the almost total exclusion of all others, will probably in the course of a few seasons be relegated to the shelf in favour of something now deemed unworthy of consideration.

Bearing this in mind it might be attributed to a cycle of depression in the roarin' game, that the competitions held by the Canadian Branch R. C. C. C., at Montreal and Ottawa, were honoured by so very meagre an attendance of clubs outside of the two cities named.

I am strongly convinced, however, that there is a more serious feature in the situation than temporary depression, and it would be well for the Branch and well as the individual clubs composing it, if those clubs who did not take part in the primary competitions for the branch tankard and Governor General's cup would give voice to their reasons for not participating therein.

At Montreal only two clubs outside of the city—Ormsdown and Cornwall—competed, while at Ottawa there were none other than the Ottawa City clubs present.

Bearing in mind the well known strength of the Quebec club, it is surprising that they were not represented in the Montreal group.

That their absence is not to be attributed to a decrease of interest taken in the roarin' game at the ancient capital, is best evidenced by the fact of there having been sufficient esprit there to start a new club this season in addition to the one already in existence.

At Ottawa neither Arnprior nor Pembroke—both very strong clubs, as was amply demonstrated by their play last year—appeared.

The absence of strong clubs such as these from both centres ought not to be allowed to pass without a reason being obtained for their non-participation in the Branch contests.

The Canadian Branch is numerically not a strong organization, and unless some steps are taken to put it on a more popular basis it is not unlikely to become even weaker than it already is.

One very serious disadvantage which this organization labours under, is the fact that hardly a club in connection with it takes sufficient interest in its proceedings, to have one of their own members represent them at the meetings. The almost universal rule is to nominate a couple of members of Montreal clubs as representative members, and to leave them, except in very exceptional circumstances, absolutely without instructions as

to the views and wishes of the club they represent.

This is not right! and the sooner the practice is changed, the better for the future of the Branch.

Every club that joins the Branch has a duty to perform not only to itself, but to every other club in connection with the Branch, and neglect to perform such duty injures not only the delinquent club, but every other club in the association, inasmuch as a display of indifference on the part of one or two, cannot but have a depressing influence on others.

It has been asserted that clubs outside of Montreal and Ottawa, and the Quebec club has been particularly named in this connection, entertain a feeling that these competitions favour the clubs in the two cities named to the disadvantage of outsiders.

If this statement is correct, it is manifestly the duty of the clubs to depute someone thoroughly possessed of their views upon the subject to bring them before the Branch, rather than by their silent indifference to allow it to appear that they entertain no particular views on the matter.

There are so few clubs composing the Canadian Branch that it would be a very simple matter to arrange to play all primary competitions in both series of games, by drawing in pairs instead instead of at bonspiels, if such a system would be preferred by a majority of the clubs.

At any rate, it would be valuable to obtain the reasons for the absence of the two Quebec clubs, of Three Rivers and Sherbrooke from the Montreal group competition, and of Pembroke, Arnprior, Renfrew, Almonte, Perth, and Kingston from the Ottawa group.

### FOOTBALL.

The following from the *Vancouver News Advertiser* of the 16th inst., will not be uninteresting to Eastern footballers at this season of the year.

Several of the names are familiar on this side of the continent, and none more so than Sid. Saunders, the captain of the Canadian team, whose handsome face and winsome manner will not soon be forgotten in Toronto, Hamilton, Guelph and other neighbouring towns where he was well known:—

"The game this afternoon between football teams representing the World and Canada is likely to prove a hotly contested one and will be well worth watching. The following teams have been chosen:

World—Laurenson (Captain), Camp-

bell, Lloyd, Woodward, Roselli, Rounsfell, Reid, Bland, Chaldecott, Creery, Welsh, Johnson, C. Campbell, Horne, Fisher, Cummins, Tucker.

Canada—Saunders (Captain), George McL. Brown, Swift, Draper, Palmer, Keating, Alexander, R. G. Harvey, Watson, Webster, Mowat, H. Quigley, E. A. Quigley, H. McGregor, Suckling, Miller, Rankin."

A match game (Rugby) between Vancouver and Victoria is arranged, to take place on the 6th February.

### YACHTING.

Work is in active progress on the new cutter building for Mr Norman B. Dick, the well known owner of the *Verve*, which is being broken up, the lead and some of the fittings being utilized in the new boat. Captain Stanton, of Picton, has charge of the work, his reputation as a careful builder having become known to Toronto yachtsmen through *Kelpie* and *Erma*. The lead keel is being cast, and as soon as this is completed and in position the wooden keel and frames will be set up on top of it. These are all ready, having been sent out with the plans from the shop of the designer, Wm. Fife jr., of Fairlie, so that in a week or so a very fair idea of the general features of the new flyer will be obtained. This is the largest and best designed racer that has been in Toronto since the *Oriole*, and as the intention is to beat *Yama* a great deal of interest in her is felt among the keen racing men of the R. C. Y. C.—*Toronto Mail*.

### CANOEING.

The first of a series of articles written by Poultney Bigelow, descriptive of a canoe trip on the Danube from Donaueschingen in the Black Forest to the Black Sea, appears in the February number of *Harper's Magazine*.

The trip in the first number carried the reader as far as Ulm, and the impression left on my mind after a perusal of the account of the journey, is castle-dam-chateau-dam-castle-dam-fortress-dam. These dams are spelt without an n, although if a canoeist is this country encountered as many as twenty-five dams in a journey of three days, I think the affix would be considered almost essential to the retention of his peace of mind.

I paddled once from the source of the south west branch of the Miramichi to Boyestown, a distance of 100 miles or more. There was nearly always a bend

in the river ahead of us, and at first it was quite exciting to speculate upon the view which would be opened to our gaze upon rounding the bend. After the first day, however, all the charm of anticipation was destroyed, and I could tell with absolute certainty that when the bend ahead of us was rounded, there would be a hill, almost worthy of being termed a mountain, on our left, and a low lying stretch of country on our right, with another bend in the river ahead. The regularity with which this scene was presented again and again to my eyes, did much to destroy the interest with which I would otherwise have regarded a very interesting country.

This trip was vividly called to my memory by Mr. Bigelow's description of his first three or four days' journey on the Danube.

There always appeared to be a headland in view, with invariably the attendant ruins, of castle, fortress or chateau, occasionally a small village was passed, only to be followed by a repetition of the inevitable headland, castle, etc.

The article is an interesting one, and will doubtless become more so, as more open water is reached.

### PROFESSIONAL vs. AMATEUR.

The line which should be drawn to distinguish the professional from the amateur appears to be as difficult to define as the mathematical definition of a line itself is to grasp.

The decision of the Amateur Athletic Union of New York, that a prize in kind of any description except the traditional "medal," constituted an infringement of the rules governing amateurs appears hypercritical, and evinces an inclination to consider the question from a narrow-minded point of view, probably with some selfish local object to serve.

The rule on the other hand which permits Dr. W. G. Grace to pocket £3,000 stg. for a trip to Australia, with the expenses of the journey for his wife and child paid in addition, without forfeiting his amateur standing, appears to be rather straining the point in the other direction.

Undoubtedly what properly constitutes a professional, is, using the knowledge and ability obtained in any sport for the purpose of earning a livelihood out of it.

Social lines are hardly drawn with sufficient distinctness in this democratic country, to enable us to determine with certainty when a man is playing a game for pleasure and when for profit. That is to say, if the game participated in is one that draws a large gate.

CURLING.

The preliminary competitions for the big prizes of the season played for by the Canadian Branch, R. C. C. C., have been completed at Montreal and Ottawa respectively, the result being that for the Branch Tankard Ormstown and Ottawa are the two surviving clubs in their respective groups, while for the Governor General's cup the Thistles and Ottawas will compete in the finals.

The Branch Tankard games resulted as follows:—

Montreal group—1st draw.

ON CALEDONIA ICE.

Rink No. 1.

<i>Heather.</i>	<i>Thistle.</i>
G N Hutchison	D W Campbell
C A Hutchison	P W McLagan
G H Cornell	Geo W Campbell
W A Hutchison, sk. 10	R S Clift, skip ..... 22

Rink No. 2.

Rev R McGillivray	A E Smith
Robt Harvie	J T Finnie
C H Hutchison	J D Anderson
G W Wood, skip... 27	A Mitchell, skip..... 13
Total..... 37	Total..... 35

Majority for Heather, 2 shots.

The contest between the Ormstown and Cornwall clubs, for the branch trophy resulted as follows:

Rink No. 1.

<i>Ormstown.</i>	<i>Cornwall.</i>
J B Walsh	E S Mattice
J H Smith	R Corrigan
R J Walsh	N J Fraid
C A McNee, skip. 23	R A Pringle, skip... 6

Rink No. 2.

R Mills	G W Armstrong
F Kee	Rev S Gower-Poole
W McGerrigle	A A Smith
Geo Bryson, skip. 10	J F Smart, skip..... 18
Total..... 33	Total..... 24

The Caledonians a bye.

2nd draw.

<i>Caledonia.</i>	<i>Ormstown.</i>
W McLaren	R Mills
W Walker	F Kee
W Lyall	J G Bryson
W L Bon, skip... 16	W McGerrigle, skip..17
T Lyall	J E Walsh
W W Briggs	J H Smith
J H Robertson	R T Walsh
W Wilson, skip.....9	C A McNee, skip...15
Total...25	Total...32

Majority for Ormstown, 7.  
Heathers a bye.

3rd draw.

Rink No. 1.

<i>Heather.</i>	<i>Ormstown.</i>
Rev J McGillivray	R Mills
R Harvie	F W Kee
H R Hutchison	G Bryson
G W Wood, sk p...19	W McGerrigle, skip.13

Rink No. 2.

G N Hutchison	J B Walsh
C A Hutchison	J H Smith
G Cornell	R T Walsh
W B Hutchison, sk. 15	C McNee, skip..... 22
Total... 34	Total... 35

Majority for Ormstown, 1 shot.

Ottawa group—1st draw.

Rink No. 1.

<i>Ottawa.</i>	<i>Governor-General's.</i>
J Erratt	H F Sims
C Holbrook	J Clarke
J C Saunders	Lieut.-Col. Irwin
C S Scott, skip.....18	Dr. J. Thorburn —skip.....15

Rink No. 2.

J H Thompson	N Morrison
J D Wallis	F Perrott
Dr. Hutchison	O J Brazier
J Manuel, skip.....17	Lieut.-Col. Bacon —skip.....14
Total...35	Total...29

Majority for Ottawa, 6 shots.  
The Kideau Club a bye.

2nd Draw.

<i>Ottawa.</i>	<i>Rideau.</i>
J Erratt,	D A Macpherson,
C Holbrook,	J A D Holbrook,
J C Saunders,	C Magee,
C S Scott, skip..... 20	E Waldo, skip..... 9
11 ends	9 ends

J H Thompson,	H B S Lane,
J D Wallis,	K J Henry,
Dr Hutchison,	B Batson,
Jno Manuel, skip... 14	E Sutherland, skip...10
11 ends	9 ends
34	19

Majority for Ottawa, 15 shots.

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S CUP.

Montreal group—1st draw.

Rink No. 1.

<i>Montreal.</i>	<i>Ormstown.</i>
W Abbott,	J B Walsh,
H E Suckling,	J H Smith,
J Williamson,	R T Walsh,
D Williamson, skip. 20	C A McNee, skip...16

Rink No. 2.

A I Hubbard,	R Mills,
G H McHenry,	F Kee,
W I Fenwick,	W McGerrigle,
F Stancliffe, skip... 17	G Bryson, skip.....12
37	28

On the Montreal ice the Heather and Thistle played two rinks each, in which the latter won by 7 shots. Following is the score:—

Rink No. 1.

<i>Heather.</i>	<i>Thistle.</i>
P Drummond	W J Cleghorn
D W Ross	T Patterson
J H Hutchison	A Nicoll
G Wood, skip..... 14	W Stewart, skip...21

Rink No. 2.

G M Webster	J Adair
A Ramsay	A Laurie
W Hutchison	C J Baird
James Rodger, skip..16	Geo S Brush, skip...16

The Caledonians a bye.

2nd Draw.

<i>Caledonia.</i>	<i>Montreal.</i>
J Wilson	W Abbott
J Palen	H E Suckling
J H Robertson	Rev J Williamson
W Lyons, skip.....18	D Williamson skip...31
J N Bell	W I Hubbard
A L Lockerby	G A McHenry
A Peel	W I Fenwick
R Finlay skip..... 7	F C Stancliffe, skip...35
Total...25	Total...60

The Thistles a bye.

3rd Draw.

<i>Thistle.</i>	<i>Montreal.</i>
W J Cleghorn	J Smith
T Patterson	H Suckling
A Nicoll	Rev J Williamson
W Stewart, skip....17	D W Williamson sk.14
R Adair	W J Hilbard
A Laurie	J H McHenry
C H Brush	W J Fenwick
Geo H Brown, skip.15	F Stancliffe, skip...15

Total...32

Total...29

Leaving the Thistles winners by three shots to compete against the winners of the Ottawa group.

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*Rideau.*

T C Boy Be	D A Macpherson
Wm Stewart, jr	Rev F W Farries
M M Hutchison	H Smith
C S Scott, skip.....25	E Waldo, skip.....12
12 ends.	8 ends.

A Hutchison	H B S Lane
W L Blair	K J Henry
J W Russell	J W De C O'Grady
Dr Hutchison, ship...25	E Sutherland, skip...11
Total...50	Total...23

The German sentries in Berlin have orders to fire upon civilians molesting or insulting them. A bullet fired in the Oranienstrasse went into the shop of a tradesman. In another case that happened about five months ago a man was shot at in the Lustgarten while that place of public resort was crowded with people, and in the third case a sentry firing at some petty delinquent missed his aim and hit a servant girl in the arm. In all these cases the soldiers in having made use of their rifles received the approval of their officers.

The British war ships Royalist and Ringdove have just completed a "cruise of revenge" among the Solomon Islands, where several native chiefs have been executed. The chiefs in question were implicated in the murder of some British subjects, and having had this proved to their satisfaction, the Captains had the men shot. One native, an accessory, was publicly flogged. The men murdered by the natives were British subjects trading in the islands. The Royalist is reported to have seized the Sydney schooner Emma Fisher, an interisland trading cutter without a trading license. She was taken to Fiji to be dealt with by Sir. J. B. Thurston, the "High commissioner for the Western Pacific." Another vessel, the Freak, was also seized. In punishing the natives for the murders, their war canoes, villages, and other property were destroyed by the men who landed from the war ships.

### Militia General Orders (No. 2) of 22nd Jan., 1892.

No. 1.  
A general mourning for H.R.H. the Duke of Clarence and Avondale, having been ordered throughout Her Majesty's Forces for a period of six weeks, a band of black crape 3¼ inches wide will be worn by Officers in all orders of dress on the left arm during that period from this date. Bands will not play, and flags at all flag stations will be flown at half mast, till sunset on Thursday, 21st inst.

#### No. 2.—HONOURS AND SALUTES.

The following will be the strength authorized for Field Batteries ordered to fire salutes:

4 Officers (including Surgeon).	16 Gunners.
1 Sergeant Major.	1 Trumpeter.
1 Quartermaster Sergeant.	8 Drivers.
4 Sergeants.	27 Horses.

#### No. 3.—MOBILIZATION.

The following change in Company Headquarters is authorized:  
44th "WELLAND" BATTALION OF INFANTRY.—No. 8 Company, from "Sand Hill" to "Welland Port."

#### No. 4.—ACTIVE MILITIA. PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

CAVALRY.  
1ST REGIMENT OF CAVALRY, O.—No. 2 Troop, London.—To be Lieutenant: 2nd Lieutenant Thomas McComb, R.S.C., *vice* J. B. Stothers, promoted.

2ND REGIMENT OF CAVALRY, O.—"B" Troop, St. Ann's.—To be Lieutenant: Troop Sergeant Major Francis Oscar Burch, jr., R.S.C. (1st B), *vice* W. G. McCollum, retired.

#### ARTILLERY.

NEW BRUNSWICK BRIGADE OF GARRISON ARTILLERY.—To be Adjutant: Captain George Kerr McLeod, R.S.A., from No. 3 Battery, *vice* C. F. Langan, retired.

No. 3 Battery, Portland.—To be Captain: Lieutenant Charles Frederick Harrison, R.S.A., *vice* G. K. McLeod, appointed Adjutant.

COBourg BATTERY OF GARRISON ARTILLERY, O.—To be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally; Edmund Alex MacNachtan, Gentleman.

#### INFANTRY AND RIFLES.

3RD BATTALION "VICTORIA RIFLES OF CANADA," Montreal, Q.—To be Captain; Lieutenant Edward Patrick Guy, R.S.I., *vice* Andrew Bell, who is permitted to retire, retaining rank.

To be Lieutenant: 2nd Lieutenant Morley Pope, R.S.I., *vice* E. P. Guy, promoted.

To be 2nd Lieutenants, provisionally: Staff-Sergeant Erastus William Wilson, *vice* M. Pope, promoted.

Colour Sergeant Edward Herbert Brown, *vice* George William Frederick Carter, who retires from the service.

5TH BATTALION "ROYAL SCOTS OF CANADA," Montreal, Q.—To be Lieutenant: Lieutenant Thomas Hay Browne, R.M.C., *vice* G. S. Cantlie, promoted.

6TH BATTALION "FUSILIERS," Montreal, Q.—To be Captain: Lieutenant John Donald MacLennan, R.S.I., from 10th Battalion, *vice* Andrew Wallace Paterson, who is permitted to retire, retaining rank.

7TH BATTALION "FUSILIERS," London, O.—To be Lieutenant-Colonel: Captain Henry Payne, R.S.I., *vice* Thomas Henry Tracy, who is permitted to retire, retaining rank.

10TH BATTALION "ROYAL GRENADIERS," Toronto, O.—The name of 2nd Lieutenant John William Seymour Corley, is as now, and not as stated in General Orders, 24th December, 1891.

16TH "PRINCE EDWARD" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, O.—No. 5 Company, Demorestville.—Lieutenant Samuel James Cotter and 2nd Lieutenant George Edward Boulter retire from the service.

28TH "PERTH" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, O.—No. 2 Company, Stratford.—To be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally: Colour Sergeant Robert Day, *vice* W. J. T. Knox, resigned.

33RD "HURON" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, O.—Lieutenant John Pollock, No. 7 Company, 2nd Lieutenant James Henry Wells, No. 1 Company, and 2nd Lieutenant Nelson Thomas Ritchie, No. 2 Company, having failed to attend annual drill, their names are removed from the list of Officers of the Active Militia.

37TH "HALDIMAND" BATTALION OF RIFLES, O.—No. 6 Company, Dunnville.—Lieutenant Daniel Simpson retires from the service.

42ND "BROCKVILLE" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, O.—No. 4 Company, Lausdowne.—2nd Lieutenant Al Edwards Hoffie, having failed to attend annual drill, his name is removed from the list of Officers of the Active Militia.

No. 6 Company, Pembroke.—Lieutenant John Marshall retires from the service.

44TH "WELLAND" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, Niagara Falls, O.—To be Quartermaster, with honorary rank of Major: Captain Joseph Clark, from No. 7 Company, *vice* J. Tattersall, retired.

No. 7 Company, Stevensville.—To be Captain, provisionally: John Edgeworth, Esquire, *vice* J. Clark, appointed Quartermaster.

65TH BATTALION "MOUNT ROYAL RIFLES," Montreal, Q.—To be Lieutenant-Colonel: Major Hector Prevost, S.I., A.D.C., *vice* Calixte Aimé Dugas, who is permitted to retire, retaining rank.

79TH "SHEFFORD" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, "HIGHLANDERS," Q.—No. 1 Company, Granby.—2nd Lieutenant Thomas Malcolm Craig retires from the service.

83RD "JOLIETTE" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, Q.—Lieutenant and Adjutant Godfroi Coffin is granted the rank of Captain; from 17th September, 1891.

84TH "ST. HYACINTHE" BATTALION OF INFANTRY, Q.—No. 3 Company, St. Simon.—Captain Noël Duprés retires from the service.

91ST BATTALION "MANITOBA LIGHT INFANTRY."—No. 1 Company, St. James.—Lieutenant John William Salusbury-Trelawny retires from the service.

#### BREVET.

To be Majors: Captain Frederick Fitzpayne Manley, V.B., 10th Battalion, from 28th October, 1891. Captain James W. Ryan, Q.F.O., King's Troop of Cavalry.

#### CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

Lieutenant Charles Hobart Ferguson, R.S.I., No. 3 Company, 16th Battalion; from 30th November, 1891.

Lieutenant James Clarence Henry, R.S.I., No. 8 Company, 36th Battalion; from 30th November, 1891.

Lieutenant Tancred Pagnuelo, R.S.I., No. 3 Company, 85th Battalion; from 11th December, 1891.

Lieutenant George d'Odet d'Orsonnens, No. 1 Company, 80th Battalion; from 15th December, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant John Albert Geddie Harrington, R.S.I., 66th Battalion; from 17th October, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant Henry Peareth Hawdon Brumell, R.S.I., Governor General's Foot Guards; from 27th October, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant Frederick Jesse Fitzgerald, R.S.I., 7th Battalion; from 3rd November, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant Alexander Ernest Henderson, No. 8 Company, 36th Battalion; from 30th November, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant Joseph Andrew Benyon, R.S.A., Montreal Field Battery; from 1st December, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant Louis Joseph Tarte, R.S.I., No. 5 Company, 9th Battalion; from 11th December, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant James Norman Stuart Leslie, R.S.I., 3rd Battalion; from 11th December, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant Arthur Vincent, R.S.I., No. 6 Company, 85th Battalion; from 11th December, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant Morley Pope, R.S.I., 3rd Battalion; from 21st December, 1891.

2nd Lieutenant Reginald Munro Moore Galloway, R.S.I., Governor General's Foot Guards, from 21st December, 1891.

#### No. 5—CERTIFICATES GRANTED.

Rank, Name and Corps.	Class.	Course.	Grade.	Percentage of Marks obtained.		
				Written.	Practical.	Aggregate Percentage.
<i>Royal School of Artillery.</i>						
2nd Lieut. J. A. Benyon, Montreal F.B. ....	1	S	A	83	89	86
Act. Bomb. R. W. Marriott, "B" R.C.A. ....	1	S	B	93	88	90
Gunner W. Simpson, Montreal F.B. ....	1	S	B	62	86	77
<i>Royal School of Instruction, Winnipeg.</i>						
<i>Cavalry.</i>						
Captain J. McLaren, 90th Bn. ....	1	S	A	78	87	84
<i>Equitation.</i>						
Captain H. W. A. Chambre, 90th Bn. ....	1	A		98	86	88
2nd Lieut. T. W. Goulling, 90th Bn. ....	1	A		84	76	77
<i>Royal Schools of Infantry.</i>						
Capt. R. McKnight, 31st Bn. ....	1	Sp	A	70	72	71
Capt. E. G. Kenny, 66th Bn. ....	1	Sp	A	79	84	81
Capt. A. H. Leith, 77th Bn. ....	1	S	A	79	70	70
Lieut. C. H. Ferguson, 16th Bn. ....	2	Sp	A	68	64	66
Lieut. J. C. Henry, 36th Bn. ....	2	Sp	A	57	51	54
Lieut. G. d'Orsonnens, 80th Bn. ....	1	S	A	77	81	79
Lieut. T. Pagnuelo, 85th Bn. ....	2	Sp	A	54	65	59
2nd Lieut. R. M. M. Galloway, G.G.F.G. ....	1	Sp	A	76	69	73
2nd Lieut. H. P. H. Brumell, G.G.F.G. ....	2	Sp	A	61	54	57
2nd Lieut. M. Pope, 3rd Bn. ....	1	Sp	A	95	78	87
2nd Lieut. J. N. S. Leslie, 3rd Bn. ....	1	S	A	77	73	75
2nd Lieut. F. J. Fitzgerald, 7th Bn. ....	2	S	A	75	60	68
2nd Lieut. L. J. Tarte, 9th Bn. ....	1	S	A	78	76	77
2nd Lieut. F. T. Lailey, 12th Bn. ....	1	S	A	78	74	76
2nd Lieut. A. E. Henderson, 36th Bn. ....	2	S	A	64	58	61
2nd Lieut. J. A. G. Harrington, 66th Bn. ....	2	Sp	A	69	69	69
2nd Lieut. A. Vincent, 85th Bn. ....	1	Sp	A	77	66	72
Sgt. E. H. Price, 7th Bn. ....	2	S	B	82	58	70
Sgt. J. M. Fawcett, 12th Bn. ....	1	S	B	72	77	74
Sgt. P. F. McLaren, 30th Bn. ....	2	S	B	65	59	57
Sgt. K. McKinnon, 41st Bn. ....	1	S	B	71	79	75
Sgt. J. W. LeGascon, 83rd Bn. ....	2	S	B	61	80	69
Sgt. H. V. Salmon, 85th Bn. ....	2	S	B	40	74	54
Corp. J. O. R. Dechevigny, 65th Bn. ....	1	S	B	65	78	70
Corp. J. Marchand, 65th Bn. ....	2	S	B	67	73	69
Lance Corp. J. Bloxam, "C" Co. I.S.C. ....	2	S	B	69	79	74
Pte. J. Allen, "B" Co. I.S.C. ....	2	S	B	57	73	64
Pte. H. B. Moffatt, "B" Co. I.S.C. ....	2	S	B	52	57	54
Pte. J. Campbell, "C" Co. I.S.C. ....	2	S	B	60	68	64
Pte. C. E. Gray, G.G.F.G. ....	2	S	B	51	62	56
Pte. A. Horner, G.G.F.G. ....	2	S	B	52	60	56
Pte. W. B. Mann, G.G.F.G. ....	2	S	B	69	56	62
Pte. R. G. West, 3rd Bn. ....	1	S	B	70	75	72
Pte. J. Quinney, 10th Bn. ....	2	S	B	69	58	63
Pte. G. H. Johnston, 54th Bn. ....	2	S	B	47	76	59

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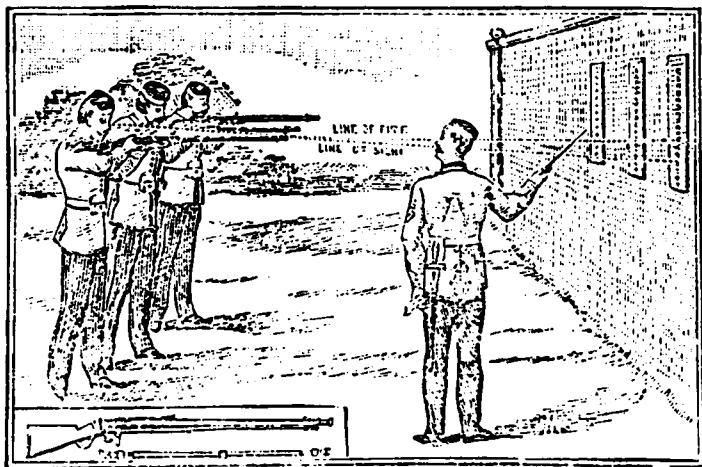
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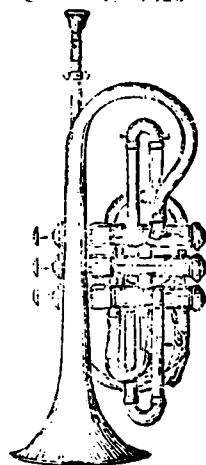
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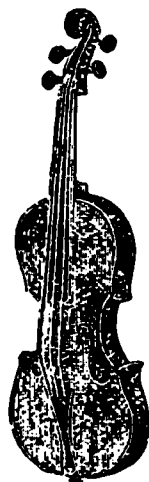
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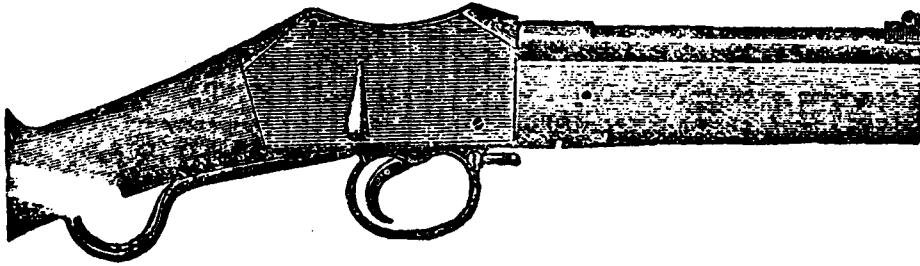
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