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TO OUR READERS.

WHEN we completed our first volume in the beginning of May we had no idea that so long a period would elapse before we could present the initial number of our second volume, and an explanation of this delay is certainly due to our numerous and extremely patient friends.

In the first place we were anxious to put the GAZETTE into a better dress, and delayed for a week or two for that purpose; then it became necessary to make some changes in the business management of the paper, in consequence of one of our most active supporters being too much occupied by more important duties to devote the attention he felt requisite to his labor of love on our staff, and finally we were delayed by the temporary absence from town of our editor. Having now overcome all these difficulties we promise to bring out the next fifty-two numbers with as much regularity as marked our first year's issue.

Our enforced silence has brought out some very pleasant experiences, one being the uniform good nature with which our subscribers have acted towards us, evincing an unexpected and undeserved amount of confidence in our *bona fides*, another, the very many unsolicited testimonials we have had from correspondents as to our value to the force, and the chorus of wishes that nothing might arise to permanently embarrass the GAZETTE.

For all this help, and it was very substantial help, we can only thank our subscribers and express the desire we feel to do better towards them in the future than we have done in the past. We wish it distinctly understood that we are more than satisfied with our reception by the militia force, and feel, under such favorable circumstances, very confident for the future.

Comment and Criticism.

IT will be noticed that we have changed our day of publication from Tuesday to Thursday. We hope this year to have the numbers in the hands of most of our subscribers by the nominal day of issue.

WE shall issue an index at the end of this volume, as we did with our last, and would advise all our subscribers to preserve their fyles for binding. A year's issue of the GAZETTE will form a complete record of all the principal events in the military life of the Dominion, including the chief rifle competitions and all orders issued. For these alone it would be worth preserving. The first year's issue, bound, makes a very neat and presentable volume, and the next one will be an improvement on the last.

WE take up the Militia General Orders from the date of our last issue, our aim in doing so being to present a continuous record for future reference. In the orders of the 7th May, which appear in this issue, it will be noticed that the force is cautioned against publishing any military information or any opinion upon questions under investigation; but this seems to be confined strictly to matters the publication of which might, in one way or other, place the force or some part of it at a disadvantage. That it is not intended to prevent wholly the discussion of military topics, such as regularly arise in this journal, an inspection of any English service journal,—in which officers will be found writing under their own names,—is sufficient guarantee. We are the more anxious to explain this because some of our timid correspondents have suggested that in future all communications from members of the force would be cut off from us, a state of things which no general order ever contemplated.

THIS seems a convenient opportunity for expressing the wish that gentlemen contributing to our columns should sign their communications with their own names, instead of a *nom-de-plume*, where no good reason to the contrary exists. Almost invariably an acknowledged letter is much more effective than an anonymous one, and we are anxious to introduce to our subscribers many of our contributors whose valued articles last year proved that there was a great deal of ripe judgment brought to bear on the interests of our militia force.

THE orders published in this issue show a net gain of three officers, there being twelve promotions, sixteen losses from various causes, and nineteen new appointments, of which fifteen are of men not qualified, two are qualified, and two non-combatant do not need any certificate. As usual, most of the changes are in the grades below that of major, the exceptions being Col. Panet and Surgeon-General Bergin (to whom we referred in our last issue); Lieut.-Col. Miller, who succeeds to the command of the 8th Royal Rifles; Lieut.-Col. Prud'homme, who has been retired from the command of the 64th Voltigeurs de Beauharnois; Major Sturdee, of the 62nd, who attains brevet rank on the completion of ten years' captaincy; Major Black, who gets his promotion

from the adjutancy in consequence of the 93rd being raised from a provisional to a full battalion, and Lieut.-Col. Wolfenden, who gains a step in a similar manner by the constitution of the British Columbia Brigade of Garrison Artillery.

LT.-COL. MILLER, the new commander of the Royal Rifles, has been actively connected with the force since 1870, when he took a lieutenancy in the 55th Megantic battalion. As captain he exchanged out of the latter into the former corps, and has continued in command of his company ever since. Col. Miller has all the qualifications necessary to make a successful commanding officer, including youth, energy and popularity. He is a good drill and an excellent shot, having represented his corps more than once on the Dominion rifle range, and we are sure that under his control the Royal Rifles will maintain their high reputation for efficiency.

FIVE of the district annual camps have been held, and we have had more or less news from each of them. They appear on the whole to have been fairly successful. In early issues we hope to give a short account of the progress of each, and meantime we invite opinions as to what individual participants thought of those they attended, either considered generally or with regard to particular points, as for instance the location, the drill regulations, the target practice, or even the uniforms. Last year we published some interesting criticisms on one or other of these points, and we wonder whether any of the weak spots had disappeared with an additional year's experience of the system.

THE last issue of the *Canada Gazette* contains a proclamation of amnesty to all persons charged with the commission of crimes or offences connected with the North-West rebellion of last year, except such persons as are now undergoing sentence. It is provided, however, that the amnesty shall not extend to any who have committed homicide otherwise than in actual warlike conflict. All forfeitures of lands and goods are remitted to persons amnestied. A special pardon has been granted to the half-breeds Garnot and Monkman, and they have been released from Stoney Mountain prison. Big Bear and three or four other Indians implicated with him in the Frog Lake massacre are the only rebellion prisoners now held.

THE Canadian team for Shoeburyness, after practice at Quebec, sails to-day for England. Its composition is as follows:—Lt.-Col. Armstrong, St. John, N.B., Garrison Artillery, commandant; Capt. C. W. Drury, "A" Battery, R.C.A., adjutant; Staff. Sergt. Gaffney, "B" Battery R.C.A., No. 1; Bom. J. S. Bridgefort, "A," Battery R.C.A.; Gun. G. Dufour, "A" Battery R.C.A.; Gun. A. Gardner, "B" Battery R.C.A.; Cadet W. G. Yorster, R.M.C.; Cadet J. N. Newcomb, R.M.C.; Sergt.-Major S. J. Plummer, British Columbia Garrison Artillery; Sergt.-Major E. H. Doyle, Richmond F.B.; Sergt. J. M. Stewart, Montreal F.B.; Sergt. W. C. Gordon, Woodstock, N.B., F.B.; Sergt. A. K. Pratt, St. John G.A.; Sergt. J. H. Case, London F.B.; Sergt. M. Eisner, Halifax G.A.; Corpl. J. J. Bell, Montreal G.A.; Corpl. MacLeod, Prince Edward Island Battery; Corpl. C. Jeffrey, Welland F.B.; Corpl. J. Henderson, Durham F.B.; Corpl. A. E. Ward, Toronto G.A.; Gun. C. Simard, Quebec G.A.

INFORMATION respecting the Wimbledon competition comes very sparingly to Canada, but from the ten or twelve lines appearing every second day in the newspapers it seems that the Canadian team is meeting with very gratifying success. In the shooting for the Queen's prize the highest score made in the first stage, at 200, 500 and 600 yards, was 96 out of 105, made by Corporal Souter of the Aberdeen Rifles. The highest Canadian scores were those of Sergt. Bell of the 12th, Lieut.

Russell of the 45th, and Sergt. Wilson of the 33rd, each of whom made 85 points. Later despatches note the completion of that competition, Pte. Jackson of Lincolnshire being the happy winner, with a total score of 265 points. He shot off and won a tie between him and Corporal Richardson of Cambridgeshire and Sergeant Barrett of Lancashire. The Canadians who won places in the first hundred, and were thus enabled to shoot in the final stage, were Pte. Kimmerly, 49th Batt., ranking 9th; Lieut. Russell, 45th Batt., ranking 67th; Staff-Sergt. Armstrong, G.G.F.G., ranking 68th, and Sergt. Bell, 12th Batt., ranking 94th. The Dominion of Canada trophy was won by Corporal Souter of Aberdeen, who stood first in the grand aggregate of the series in which it was offered. In the shooting for the Corporation of London prizes, confined to the riflemen from the colonies, the highest scores at the first range, 600 yards, were made by Capt. Barnhill of the 78th Batt., Canada, and Davis of India, 40 points each; Staff-Sergt. Armstrong of the G.G.F.G., Canada, Cork of Australia, and Harwood of India had 39 each. Canadians are also reported as prize winners in the revolver match, Lieut. Blair of the 78th and Sergt. Wilson of the 33rd being well up. Lieut. Russell, 45th Batt., was fourth in the contest for the Prince of Wales' prize, winning £10. The weather on the whole seems to have been fair.

A Private letter received from Lieut.-Colonel Ross, now in England in connection with the Colonial and Indian Exhibition, states that he will probably retire from the command of the Governor-General's Foot Guards this fall. He has been the officer commanding ever since the organization of the battalion, and has always taken a very active interest in its welfare.

Obituary.

LT.-COL. THOMAS WILY, who had been suffering from inflammation of the lungs for some weeks, died this morning at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. J. R. Pruyne, 102 University street. Born on the 31st March, 1807, at the Cape of Good Hope, he had attained the eightieth year of his age. He leaves three sons and two daughters. The 83rd regiment of foot, of which Col. Wily was then sergt.-major, arrived here on the 13th December, 1837, having shipped from Halifax to Quebec, and thence by steamer here. The regiment took part in the battle of St. Eustache, fought on the 15th December, 1837, but Mr. Wily had been retained in Quebec, where he afterwards held the important post of adjutant of the Quebec Light Infantry. Some years after he was appointed Chief of Police by the Corporation of Montreal, which appointment he held until 1862, when he resigned. During the burning of the Parliament Buildings, in 1849, Mr. Wily and his force did excellent service. The force only numbered 100 at that time, and unfortunately they and the firemen were overpowered by the unruly mob. The buildings were consequently burned to the ground. When the rifle companies were formed, in 1853, into the regiment since known as the Prince of Wales', he was appointed its lieut.-colonel. He resigned this command, and was, in 1862, appointed to the militia staff, holding the position of director of stores. In this capacity he prepared the whole of the stores, outfits, etc., for the transportation of General Wolseley's force in the North-west rebellion of 1870, being, in fact, quartermaster-general. He it was, also, who received from the Imperial Government all forts, Government ordnance, land, etc., on behalf of the Federal Government of Canada. Up to the year 1880 he filled this important position to the satisfaction of all concerned. In that year he retired and was superannuated. He has lived in Montreal since.—*Montreal Witness, July 8.*

CAPT. EGERTON A. DENISON, of the Third Staffordshire Regiment of Militia, died on board the steamer *Vancouver* on her last trip to Montreal from Great Britain, while on his way home on sick leave. He contracted fever on the Gold Coast, where he had received an appointment on the Houssa force. He was the youngest son of the late Col. G. C. Denison, of Toronto, and served through the Sudan campaign with the Canadian voyageurs under the command of his brother, Col. Fred. C. Denison, C.M.G., and received the medal and clasp.

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.)**(Continued from page 397.)*

NOR would his consideration of special circumstances stop here; he would further desire to know, whether the country of the nation for which he was planning a system, had any peculiar features. The first duty of an army being the defence of the national fatherland, its characteristics, both natural and artificial, would form a subject of study, that in framing a tactical detail any advantageous points as regards the particular country which might not be unsuitable for general service, should not be overlooked. "A combat between civilised nations in which country and ground have no influence is hardly conceivable." (*Von Clausewitz.*) But his study of special circumstances would not stop even at this, for besides considering the special points both of people and country, it cannot be doubted that he would further study their military history, and would seek if possible while framing his scheme so as to meet the requirements of the time, yet not to lose the advantages of those details of the existing tactical system, which might be capable of adaptation to the new conditions. For thus he would be able, in all likelihood, to attain most desirable ends. He might possibly incorporate with the new some essentially characteristic mode of action, which would link on the present to a glorious past, retaining some dominant principle, by which a new generation should feel that as their fathers fought in a formation that other nations could not risk themselves in, so they had still the same distinctive characteristics about them, and could emulate the deeds of those who had gone before.

If any such mode of action could be found, developing instead of crushing out the national characteristics, it would have a value beyond that—in itself not small—of sentimental stimulus. It would also be distinctive. This is always an important matter, other things being equal. "The peculiar genius of a nation always comes out upon the battlefield." (*Home.*) But in our own particular case it would have an exceptionally high value. In the past, British troops fought in a formation which no other nation felt itself able to trust its troops in. We have always been able to work in a less dense formation than other nations. "Experience has shown that they (British soldiers) will stand any amount of pounding, and that they will fight and are manageable in thinner order than foreign troops." (*Colonel Gawler.*)

The bravery and discipline which our people were capable of displaying, made it possible to place them in a formation which gave a greater fire front, and more freedom and rapidity of action than were possessed by other armies. "For years British troops formed in lines two deep have met and defeated the best armies of Europe" (*Home*), other nations having then been unable to place their soldiers in so thin a formation with confidence. Would it not be of high importance that, instead of slavishly copying the methods of other countries, we should, if possible, still hold to our distinctive ideas, not following those of any other nation, except where they have proved themselves sound in principle, and, "adapting them to the constitution of our army and our national characteristics?" (*Major-General Middleton.*) The new conditions of warfare do not tend to lower the value of the qualities which British troops have always shown, but rather to enhance them, unless we are weak enough to allow ourselves to believe that we can only copy our neighbors, and that we must limit our faith as to what can be done by the British soldier to what others can teach us either by their successes or their failures. It used not to be so, and it is to be hoped it will not be so now. There is difficulty in knowing what there is that British soldiers cannot do, until experiment has proved the impossibility; "it is essential that it should be clearly understood that the British army, with its historic training, and tradition of advancing and fighting never more than two deep, possesses qualifications for modern fighting that the army of no nation in the world does." (*Home.*) And certainly the past has shown that he is more likely to be right who holds them capable of doing the seemingly impossible, than he who would lay down absolute limits for them as the result of the experiences of others.

To sum up, then, the situation, it may be said that in framing a system of drill for British infantry two fundamental principles must rule.

First. The necessities created by the modern conditions must be faced, and everything that does not tend to meet them must be boldly swept out of the way; and,

Second. It must be a distinct aim to retain the spirit of whatever has proved a means of victory to British troops in the past, and which, while historically distinctive, is capable of adaptation, so as not to be an infringement of the foregoing principle.

Now, to bring these two maxims to a practical bearing, it is only

necessary to settle what is the dominant principle of British infantry fighting in the past, and to see whether the principle can still be kept dominant, while the mode of working is made consistent with modern conditions. That principle was the line. While the principle of other nations was the column, ours was the thin, highly disciplined line, the line moving direct on the foe, making up for the slightness of its form by its superior *morale*, its coolness and its firmness, that "moral power of steadiness, which nothing shakes." (*Marechal Bugeaud.*)

Can the principle of the line be maintained in the modern combat? Can British infantry be still led into the fight on the line principle, with such modifications as the necessities of modern warfare make imperative? If this be possible, then both of the fundamental maxims can be given effect to. The obsolete may be swept away, without sweeping away at the same time the characteristic and the historical. It will not be necessary to submit to copy others, in order to meet modern conditions.

But here comes in the controversy. There is no subject on which writers and lecturers are at present so hopelessly divided. "No one has yet been able to give an exact solution to the problem—What are the best measures to take in peace time, in order to keep the men in hand in action?" (*Keucher.*) "The point of interest is still how to deliver the infantry attack in open ground without such destructive losses as were experienced at St. Privat and Plevna." (*Von Lobell.*) I say that the tactical world, or the world of tactical opinion, is in a state of chaos; it is in a state of confusion, a state practically of anarchy." (*Col. Lonsdale Hale.*) One school swallows *holus bolus* German expedients, which, in a word, may be stated as drilling on parade in hard, solid wooden blocks, and exercising in the field in bunches of lucifer matches; the parade and the field being made as different as human ingenuity, or rather human perversity, can make them. It is impossible not to concur with the trenchant criticism which, speaking of this matter, denounces the Prussian barrack-yard system as "a series of formalities which, thanks to the intelligence and previous education of the Prussian recruit, is attended by no serious results to his real military training." (*Field-Marshal the Archduke John of Austria.*) The other school objects to blindly following foreign nations. As against "blind worshippers of success, and blind worshippers of the Prussian system" (*Viscount Wolseley*), it maintains that there is no real ground for holding that the Germans ought to be copied slavishly, and that the events of the Franco-Prussian war in no way justify the assumption that their success was due to the superiority of their working formations. They repudiate the idea of their being any reason for believing that a well-organized and disciplined force would have been at any disadvantage from not copying Prussian skirmisher swarms. Of this latter school some even go the length of maintaining that the old processional advance of the British line, covered by skirmishers, is still possible, and not to be set aside. Here is the statement of a high authority: "We believe it would be found that the loss suffered by a closed line during its advance under fire would not be greater than that of a system as now practised of open lines backed up by small columns of reserve." (*Blackwood's Magazine, 1884.*)

These words express what many experienced generals of the British service still hold, and our Infantry Field Exercise is a proof that at headquarters this principle is still held to apply to war. "One half of the drill book is based on the idea that we fight two deep in a shoulder to shoulder line." (*Captain James.*) In contrast to which may be quoted in addition to other opinions already given: "The days when men advanced in line as at the Alma and elsewhere are dead." (*Viscount Wolseley.*) This difference of view is so sharply defined that it must not be passed over lightly. For a split of this kind in the tactical school means (to use Col. Lonsdale Hale's own words) "chaos" in the tactical workshop while it continues, and results in what we may have seen already—miserable makeshifts and half measures. The infantry work that has been laid down "by order" for the last fifteen years has been inartistic, shifty and unstable. It has given satisfaction to nobody, and has been commented upon in strong terms in private by the great mass of the thinking and practical men who really take the trouble to study military problems. One thing is quite certain. It has in no way satisfied theory, nor given to the sects of the theoretical school a basis for agreement. Accordingly the division is absolute. One set of thinkers, who feel compelled to reject the advance in line as impossible under modern conditions, see nothing for it but to extend the troops laterally into a thin order, and then to thicken the fighting line for the final charge by feeding it from the rear. This they can only do under existing systems either by mixing up the fresh troops with those in front, or by closing in those in front, and interpolating the new troops in the gaps, some proposing to do this by whole sections, some by smaller groups. If done in the first way it necessarily means *made* confusion, and if attempted in the second it will fail as regards such bodies as sections. "It is impracticable to expect large units in the firing line to

close in under fire"—(*Lieut. Mayne*), and would, as regards groups, be difficult, and create quite as much practical confusion in that all important matter, the command of the men, as does the simple raffling of reinforcements and fighting line together. Each system has already its own serious defects which counteract its special advantage. The closing in system, even assuming it to be possible, must necessarily check fire at the very time when it should be best sustained to cover the reinforcements. Here a most complete statement of the difficulties may be repeated: "Movements to the right or left to close in skirmishers, and so make room for fresh skirmishers coming up to fill up gaps, would reduce the fire, compel men who had won certain advantageous places to leave them, not to advance on the enemy, but merely to take ground to the right or left—a thing very difficult to do with any troops."—(*Home.*)

But still more, and what is of higher importance, fire control and fire discipline would be interfered with. Those in command have enough to do to manage their men on the straight advance without being called on to conduct manœuvres of lateral closing, on however small a scale. Besides, such a proceeding would invite a concentrated fire from the defenders both on fighting line and reinforcements. Whenever supports were seen coming up, it would be known that a closing in was about to take place. The moment the closing movement began, concentrated volleys would be fired on the points to which the troops were closing in. As they would necessarily be all erect and unable to fire the effect would be most telling. On the other hand, the supports coming up into gaps would be distinct marks, and the moment they reached the gap, concentrated volleys would be fired on them. The arguments of those who favor this interpolation of groups, negatively support and enforce these views. "The groups should not actually close in until the reinforcements come up, because the more they are extended the less likely they are to be hit."—*Lieut. Mayne*. What does this imply? That at the moment before reinforcement, they will do the very thing that will make them more likely to be hit, and in doing so fail to keep up fire, and thus make the reinforcement more likely to suffer.

(*To be continued.*)

Notions of a Noodle.—XVI.

DEAR MISTY.—The General's report winds up with some out and out good ideas regarding rifle shooting, with the exception, which might have been expected, of a strong recommendation to send some Canadian officers home to Hythe to learn how to shoot. This idea is quite natural, and I do not wish to swagger unduly; but just allow me to mention that Hanlan knew something about the oars before he visited the Tyne, the school of rowing (in the eyes of some people); and so Dr. Carver, Gabriel Dumont, and the expert who clipped the inch of Astrachan fur off the General's cap at Fish Creek, did not go to Hythe, and the last especially came very nearly doing for the Canadian militia, on the 24th April, 1885. I do not imagine, either, that the Dutch Boers obtained qualifying certificates at the school of musketry, but they did fairly well. Therefore, I should suggest that until Hythe succeeds in teaching the Imperial troops how to handle their weapons, we refrain from expending our money in transporting officers across the Atlantic to pick up ideas similar to those imbibed by us at Shoeburyness, which, as the General himself says, take the form of overdoses of shifting ordnance competition for the artillery, and without doubt are the most painfully foolish undertakings possible; but as they do it at Shoebury, it must be right, so, like in everything else, we follow suit. Do not let us go and do likewise with the rifles because they do so at home. Take Hanlan and his skiff. He had the skiff, and Toronto bay was his ammunition, with which he practised and proved to us the astonishing fact that we had not to go to England to learn the art of rowing. Nor have we to visit the old country to learn how to handle a shooting iron. I should think the fact of our team pulling off the Kolapore cup now and then from the immense population of the united kingdom would prove that. When we cut through the idiotic rules of the red book at Shoebury and instituted the "go as you please" shift and won it, the commandant of the school of gunnery gravely shook his head and reported the idea (not his) as bad. We are to go back to his way, I believe, in future. I often think of the ignorant lumbermen of Canada blindly, year after year, expending his labor in shifting his logs on the "go as you please" system, when a trip to Shoebury would perfect him in the grave, sedate, and theoretical secret of moving a pine log. Certainly all the capers we go through, with the big guns and small ones, are very funny, and I grant it is quite necessary for us to journey home to properly conduct such operations. But when we are told we must go across the Atlantic, and probably get fearfully seasick, to learn how to shoot with a rifle, I must cry "chestnut." Twenty years ago if any

Canadian was to get up and say that we out here knew how to row an outrigger he would have been mobbed, and likely hurt. Fortunately, since then ideas have changed, and I hope sincerely that ere twenty more years are gone we shall begin to grasp the fact that there are things even in a military line that can be picked up without the inconvenience of a sea voyage. The best shots in the world never saw an instructor, but having the means and opportunity to obtain ammunition and expend it, they became experts. The sooner we get over the wild dream that lecturing, snapping caps, and the old-fashioned instructor, are going to make men shoot, the better. That is the rock we have split on for years. It is cheap, as lectures can be served out at much less cost than ball cartridge, and much as I admire the musical expressions in a musketry lecture, I will back the ignorant creature with plenty of powder and lead at his disposal, to beat the best instructed man without practice. There is one way only to shoot, and that is with something in the rifle. Reduce the price of cartridges, make the government allowance a big one, and see that the expenditure of such allowance is made the most important part of the yearly training, and then we will have, perhaps, not soldiers according to the idea of the majority of military men, but dangerous men to fight duels with. The advice on page xxiv., regarding the distances, is most important. We all run away with the idea that the fighting is done at long ranges. The difficulty of getting a good clear 600-yard range anywhere in the country should have suggested the fallacy of this long ago. How strange appears the advice to officers, to actually take their revolvers and practise with them! I never saw this advocated before. How peculiar will be the novelty of an officer with a revolver by his side with which he can drive a bullet into the vitals of a haystack at 40 yards! When this comes to pass we will see officers who take a pride in skill at arms, as they did in old times, before the days of Snider and lead. When every gentleman who holds a commission, understands how to hold a rifle, there will be no longer need for such an officer as the instructor of musketry. It takes every officer and non-com. officer to guide the regiment through the goose step and march past, while only one man is supposed to be at all conversant with the use of the rifle, and is further considered quite sufficient to instruct the whole brigade, by the aid of snap caps, black board, and a piece of chalk. I can't write any more, "Misty," so please excuse me; all these crazy ideas that we are forced to inculcate, have a most injurious effect on the brain of one who you know but too well is only a

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The P. Q. R. A. Programme.

The annual matches of the above association begin on the Point St. Charles ranges on Tuesday, 10th August. Entries should be made to, and any information can be obtained from Major Blaiklock, secretary, P. O. box 1367, Montreal. The following is a summary of the

PRIZE LIST.

1st. Nursery Match.—Open to all members of the P. Q. R. A. (whether by direct contribution or through affiliated associations), who have never won an individual prize at any provincial or Dominion match. 400 yards; 7 rounds; entrance fee 25c. 15 prizes, value, \$79.

2nd. Frontier Match.—500 yards; 7 rounds; entrance fee 50c. 36 prizes, value, \$181.

3rd. Merchants Match.—600 yards; 7 rounds; entrance fee 50c. 36 prizes, value, \$181.

4th. Association Match.—500 and 600 yards; 7 rounds at each range; entrance fee 50c. for individual prizes and \$2.50 for teams. Holders of the provincial badges are allowed free entry for the individual prizes the first time they attend, after being duly reported as the winners. 35 individual and 6 team prizes, value, \$258, besides cups.

1st prize (silver cup, presented by J. H. Steward, Esq.), and \$20 cash. Team prizes for the aggregate scores of five previously named members of any affiliated rifle association. N.B.—The silver cup to become the property of any association winning it twice, not necessarily consecutively.

5th. Active Militia and Battalion Match.—1st series—Individual prizes. Open to the active militia, the staff and officers retired retaining rank—being members of the P. Q. R. A. 200, 500 and 600 yards; 7 rounds at each range; entrance fee \$1.00. 36 individual and 4 team prizes, value, \$301. (Dolan cup, restricted to active militia of the Province of Quebec, to be won twice in five years.) 1st prize Dolan cup and \$30.

2nd Series—Battalion prizes. For the aggregate scores of six previously named officers, non-commissioned officers or men of any affiliated battalion. Competitors to be at least six months members of the corps they represent. Entrance fee \$3.00. N.B.—When a local association is composed principally of one regiment, that regiment will be allowed to compete in the battalion and skirmishing matches, although the affiliation be in the name of the local association.

6th. Military Match.—To be competed for by sections of five officers, non-commissioned officers or men from any militia corps affiliated. Any number of sections may enter from the same corps. Entrance fee \$2.50 per section. One entry for the two series. 8 prizes, value, \$125.

1st Series—Skirmishing. From about 500 yards to about 200 yards. 10 rounds. Size of target, 4 ft. x 2 ft. 6 in., divided into three belts—the lower belt, 15 inches deep, scoring 5 points, the centre belt, 10 inches deep, scoring 3 points, the upper belt, 5 inches deep, scoring 2 points. The targets will be exposed 15 seconds at a time. Two targets will be allowed each section.

2nd Series—Volley firing. To be competed for by the same sections and at the same size targets as 1st series. 300 yards; 5 rounds.

All the foregoing matches to be fired with Snider rifles.

7th, Martini-Henry Match.—600 yards; 7 rounds; entrance fee 50c. 24 prizes, value, \$126.

8th, Optional Match.—500 yards. Rifles, Snider or Martini. Number of entries unlimited, only one score in all to count. Entrance fee 50c. each time. 30 prizes, value, \$171.

9th, Extra Series Match.—(Snider). 500 and 600 yards. At least 15 separate prizes for each range, amongst which is a first class Martini-Henry rifle, presented by Messrs. John Martin & Co., and another by G. W. Stephens, M.P.P. 5 rounds. Number of entries unlimited, one score at each range to count.

10th, Aggregate Match.—Entrance for whole series, \$1.00, to be made before one o'clock on first day's shooting. Open to all members, except that the National, and D. C. R. A., the Governor General and Lieut.-Governor's medals and champion badge are restricted to active militia of the province of Quebec.

1st Series—Militia. For the aggregate scores in matches 2, 3, 4 and 5. 1st prize, N. R. A. medal, P. Q. R. A. champion badge and \$10; 2nd prize, D. C. R. A. medal and \$10. Thirteen other cash prizes. Also tickets to Ottawa for those of the first ten who attend the D. C. R. A. matches, and are eligible to shoot for the provincial cup.

2nd Series—Nursery. For the aggregate scores in matches 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, restricted to those only whose names do not appear in any of the P. Q. R. A. or D. C. R. A. reports as winners of individual prizes.

3rd Series—Teams. For the aggregate scores in matches 2, 3, 4 and 5, with Snider rifles, of five previously named members of any affiliated association. 1st prize, silver cup and \$20; 2nd prize, \$15; 3rd prize, \$10. The silver cup to become the property of any association winning it twice, not necessarily consecutively.

4th Series—The Governor General's medals. For the best aggregate in matches 3, 4 and 5, at 600 yards. 1st prize, the Governor General's silver medal; 2nd prize, the Governor General's bronze medal.

No sighting or fouling shots allowed in any of these matches.

The team to represent the province in the match for the London Merchants Cup at Ottawa, during the D. C. R. A. meeting, will be chosen as follows: the first five from the highest aggregate during these matches, and the other three by the first five. Entries for the matches, accompanied by the fees for the seven, must be made on or before Saturday, 7th August, addressed to the secretary. The association individual membership fee is \$2. Affiliating associations are entitled to ten members' tickets and one badge on payment of \$10. The above must be paid on or before the 7th August. 25 per cent. additional will be charged after that date. The ammunition used must be provided by the competitors, and be of Dominion of Canada make. Arrangements have been made with the several transportation companies to carry competitors at reduced fares.

The O. R. A. Programme.

The matches of this Association will take place on the Garrison Common, Toronto on Monday, 23rd August, and following days. The prize list presents very much the same features as that of last year, but about \$270 have been added in the regular series, and \$200 in the extra series. The latter consists of four matches of 500 and 600 yards, two of which are with the Martini-Henry and two with the Snider. Sighting and fouling shots have been abolished. The following is a brief synopsis of the

PRIZE LIST.

1st.—"Canada Company."—Restricted to the Active Militia of Ontario who have never won a prize at any provincial or D. R. A. match, not including consolation matches.—400 yards; seven rounds; position, kneeling (Hythe); entrance fee, 50c. First prize, \$10; second, \$7; four of \$5; ten of \$4; 16 prizes; total cash, \$77. To be fired at 1 p.m. on the first day (Monday.)

2nd.—"Macdonald."—200 yards; seven rounds; position, standing; entrance fee, 50c. First prize, \$15; two of \$10; two of \$7; fifteen of \$5; fifteen of \$4; fifteen of \$3; 50 prizes; total cash, \$229. To be fired at 1 p.m. on the first day (Monday.)

3rd.—"Gilmour."—500 yards; seven rounds; position, any; entrance fee, 50c. First prize, \$15; two of \$10; two of \$7; fifteen of \$5; fifteen of \$4; twenty of \$3; 55 prizes; total cash, \$244. To be fired at 2.30 p.m. on the first day (Monday.)

4th.—"Gordon."—600 yards; seven rounds; position, any; entrance fee, 50c. First prize, \$15; two of \$10; two of \$7; fifteen of \$5; fifteen of \$4; twenty of \$3; 55 prizes; total cash, \$244. To be fired at 9 am. on the second day (Tuesday.)

5th.—"Walker."—500 and 600 yards; seven rounds; position, any; entrance fee, teams free, individuals 50c. Team prizes to be competed for by five previously named members of any one affiliated association. First prize, the Ladies' Challenge Cup (value \$150), presented by the ladies of Toronto, and \$30; second, \$25; third, \$20; fourth, \$15; fifth \$10; 5 prizes; total cash, \$100. The cup to be competed for annually. Individual prizes.—First prize, \$20; second, 15; two of \$10; two of \$7; twenty of \$5; twenty-five of \$4; 51 prizes; total cash, \$269.

6th.—"Tait-Brassey."—Restricted to the Active Militia of Canada.—200, 500 and 600 yards; seven rounds; position, 200 yards kneeling (Hythe), 500 and 600 yards, any; entrance fee, \$5 each battalion team, \$2 each company team, and 75c. for individual prizes. Battalion team prizes.—To be competed for by eight previously named officers, non-commissioned officers or men from any battalion, brigade of garrison or field artillery, or squadron of cavalry of active militia of Canada. First prize, silver cup (value \$250), presented by Sir Peter Tait, of London, England, and \$60; second, \$50; third, \$40; fourth, \$30; fifth, \$20; five prizes; total cash, \$200. The cup to be competed for annually. Company team prizes.—To be competed for by five previously named officers, non-commissioned officers or men from any company, troop or field or garrison battery of active militia of Canada. First prize, silver cup (value \$125), presented by the late Thos. Brassey, Esq., of England, and \$25; second, \$20; third, \$15; fourth, \$10; four prizes; total cash, \$70. The cup to be won three times consecutively before becoming the absolute property of the winners. Individual prizes.—First prize, \$25; second, \$20; third, \$15; three of \$10; four of \$7; thirty of \$5; thirty-five of \$4; 75 prizes; total cash, \$408.

7th.—"Ontario."—Entrance fee, 75c. First series—Restricted to the Province of Ontario. 1st. To highest aggregate score in 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 500 and 600 yards of 6th matches: the Governor General's silver medal; 2nd. To second highest aggregate

score in ditto: the Governor General's bronze medal. Second series—Restricted to the Province of Ontario; highest aggregate score in 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th matches: the Elkington cup (value \$125), presented by Messrs. Elkington & Co., of London and Liverpool; to be won three times before becoming the property of the winner. Third series—Open to the Dominion; highest aggregate scores in 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th matches. First prize, D. R. A. medal and \$20; 2nd, \$15; five of \$10; eighteen of \$5; 25 prizes; total cash, \$175.

8th.—"Gibson."—Martini-Henry, 1st stage.—500 and 600 yards; seven rounds; position, any; entrance fee, 50c. First prize, \$20; second, \$15; third, \$10; twenty-two of \$5; twenty-five of \$4; 50 prizes; total cash, \$255. Rifles for this match will be furnished on the ground to competitors who have not their own. 2nd stage—Presented by Lieut.-Col. Gibson, M.P.P., President of the association. Open to the 25 highest scores in the first stage; 800 and 900 yards; seven rounds; entrance fee, 50c. First prize, \$25; second, \$20; third, \$15; four of \$10; seven prizes; total cash, \$100.

10th.—"Gzowski."—Restricted to the Active Militia of Ontario; to be competed for by six officers, non-commissioned officers or men from any battalion, brigade of field or garrison artillery, or squadron of cavalry. 1st. Skirmishing.—100 to 500 yards; ten rounds, 5 advancing, 5 retiring; position, any at all ranges; entrance fee, \$3 each team. First prize, \$30; second, \$25; third, \$20; fourth, \$15; fifth, \$10; five prizes; total cash, \$100. 2nd. Volley firing—200 and 400 yards; five rounds; 200 yards standing, 400 yards kneeling; entrance fee, \$3 each team. First prize, \$30; second, \$25; third, \$20; fourth, \$15; fifth, \$10; five prizes; total cash, \$100. A silver cup, presented by Col. Gzowski, A.D.C. to the Queen (value \$200), will be awarded to the team making the highest aggregate in both matches; to remain in possession of the winning corps for one year.

11th.—"Revolver."—Any pattern not exceeding 45 calibre; 25 yards; seven rounds; position, standing, off-hand; entrance fee 50 cents each entry (unlimited). First prize, \$10; second, \$8; third, \$7; five of \$5; six of four; six of \$3; twenty prizes; total cash \$92. To be fired at any time during the first four days.

12th.—"Extra Series."—Prizes in value of such articles as may be contributed and purchased for the purpose, and \$200 in cash—the sum of \$80 won by the Provincial team at the D.R.A. meeting last year will be applied towards the purchase of value prizes. Unlimited entries at each range, the highest scores to count. No. 1—500 yards, seven rounds; entrance fee, 50 cents each entry. No. 2—Martini-Henry rifles, 500 yards, seven rounds; entrance fee, 50 cents each entry. No. 3—500 yards, seven rounds; entrance fee, 50 cents each entry. No. 4—Martini-Henry rifles; 600 yards; seven rounds; entrance fee, 50 cents each entry.

The affiliation fee is \$5 (payable by 1st August), irrespective of membership or individual entrance fees, which entitles an Association to a medal and free entrance for team prizes in the "Walker match." The fee for membership is \$1, irrespective of entrance fees; and all competitors must be members of the Association. Entries, accompanied by the fees, for the first seven matches must be made (upon forms to be obtained from the Secretary) on or before Wednesday, 18th August; other matches during the first two days of the meeting.

By arrangement with the Grand Trunk, Canadian Pacific, and Northern and North-Western Railways, competitors will be carried to and from the meeting at reduced fares on being furnished by the Secretary of the Association with certificates. Competitors desirous of being near the ranges may obtain a tent and ten blankets on payment of \$1.50, or a tent alone \$1. Meals can be obtained on the ground.

In all competitions, unless otherwise specified, any ammunition may be used, provided of Dominion Government issue, or that supplied by the Association.

The secretary of the association is Lieut.-Col. Otter.

The Target.

INTER-PROVINCIAL MATCH.

MONCTON, N.B.—On Thursday last the first of a series of rifle matches to be held annually between teams of eight men representative of the three Maritime provinces, took place. This year Prince Edward Island was unfortunately unable to be represented, and the contest was between New Brunswick and Nova Scotia only. The team of the latter province was chosen as the result of three competitions held at Bedford, the highest scorers being chosen. The New Brunswick contingent were selected by the executive of the Provincial rifle association. The firing was with Martini-Henry rifles, at Queen's ranges, seven shots at each, and two sighting shots allowed. As will be seen by the scores below the shooting on both sides was excellent, and the contest very close. Nova Scotia had a lead of five points at the first range, but lost 19 at the next, and at 600 yards could only pick up 6, thus coming out 8 points behind New Brunswick. The following were the scores made:

| NEW BRUNSWICK. | | | | NOVA SCOTIA. | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Lt. Smith, 71st..... | 31 | 32 | 95 | Gr. Campbell, H.G.A..... | 31 | 26 | 33 | |
| Sgt. G. Langstroth, Hussars .. | 30 | 31 | 92 | Capt. Corbin, 63rd..... | 31 | 29 | 89 | |
| Lt. McRobbie, Hussars..... | 28 | 32 | 90 | Capt. Bishop, 63rd..... | 30 | 32 | 89 | |
| Lt. Langstroth, Hussars..... | 29 | 32 | 88 | Capt. Weston, 63rd..... | 30 | 29 | 88 | |
| Capt. Kinneer, 74th..... | 31 | 27 | 87 | Lt. Fiske, 63rd..... | 31 | 28 | 88 | |
| Capt. Hart, St. John Rifles... | 29 | 34 | 87 | Lt. Adams, H.G.A..... | 30 | 26 | 86 | |
| Lt. Col. Beer, 74th..... | 27 | 29 | 83 | Gr. Fader, H.G.A..... | 30 | 28 | 85 | |
| Major Arnold, 74th..... | 29 | 26 | 79 | Major Walsh, 63rd..... | 26 | 26 | 78 | |
| Totals..... | 234 | 243 | 224 | 701 | Totals..... | 239 | 224 | 230 |
| | | | | | | | 693 | |

The prize competed for in these matches is to be a trophy, not yet decided on, which will be purchased with an equal amount of money contributed by each association sending a team. It is hoped, and looked upon as probable, that next year Prince Edward Island will be represented in the competition. The St. John *Daily Telegraph* published an excellent report of the match, giving the scores in detail, shot for shot. From it the above is condensed.

OTTAWA.—The Metropolitan rifle association have re-elected their officers of last year, with the exception of one change in the managing committee, Lieut. Rogers of the 43rd replacing Major Anderson of that corps, Lieut. Gray, G. G. F. G., is the secretary. The 20th and 21st August have been decided upon as the dates for the 19th annual prize meeting, for which a liberal prize list is being prepared.

OTTAWA RIFLE CLUB.—The scores made at the twelfth spoon competition of this club for the season, which took place on Saturday last, appears in this issue. Those for the first were published in No. 52. Up to the present the top-score in each of the competitions have been as follows: With the Snider at Queen's ranges: May 1, J. C. Chamberlin, 84; May 15, Lt. Gray, 74; May 29, J. A. Armstrong, 72; June 12, W. Pink, 78; June 26, Mr. Whitman, 79. With the Martini at Queen's

ranges, May 8, J. A. Armstrong, 87; May 22, J. A. Armstrong, 84; June 19, R. Reardon, 82; July 10, Major Macpherson, 85. With Martini at 800 and 900 yards: June 5, N. Morrison, 44; July 3, Major Maepheron, 53. Last Saturday the competition was with the Snider, and the scores made were as follows:

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| Lieut. Winter | 32 | 19 | 82 | Captain Perley | 24 | 21 | 17 | 62 | |
| Capt. Wright (dessert spoon) | 26 | 28 | 26 | 75 | Major Macpherson | 24 | 22 | 16 | 62 |
| Dr. Scott (tea spoon) | 20 | 32 | 22 | 74 | Mr. Hardy | 23 | 21 | 17 | 61 |
| Major Anderson | 26 | 28 | 18 | 72 | Mr. Gallwey | 22 | 26 | 12 | 60 |
| Captain Sherwood | 27 | 27 | 18 | 72 | Mr. Short | 23 | 16 | 19 | 58 |
| Mr. Angus | 27 | 23 | 20 | 70 | Mr. Maillene | 20 | 19 | 18 | 57 |
| Lieut. Gray | 30 | 14 | 25 | 69 | Mr. Reardon | 21 | 15 | 19 | 55 |
| Mr. Chamberlin | 26 | 32 | 11 | 69 | Mr. Fairweather | 20 | 17 | 18 | 55 |
| Mr. Morrison | 27 | 17 | 23 | 67 | Mr. Carroll | 21 | 25 | 9 | 55 |
| Mr. Sutherland | 27 | 25 | 15 | 67 | Captain Toller | 17 | 21 | 13 | 52 |
| Mr. Pink | 25 | 21 | 19 | 65 | Mr. Boville | 14 | 10 | 21 | 45 |
| Mr. O'Leary | 26 | 22 | 17 | 65 | Mr. Dawson | 19 | 13 | 12 | 44 |

CARLETON PLACE, ONT.—The rifle association of this place has determined to affiliate with the D. R. A. The following officers have been re-elected for this year: Capt. Jos. McCay, president; F. McEwen, M.D., vice-president; Robt. Patterson, secretary-treasurer. A new range has been obtained this year, and new butts erected at a cost of about \$160.

LINDSAY.—Every Monday afternoon there will be rifle practice over the Lindsay ranges. A regular marker has been engaged for the summer for that afternoon. Any member of the association can enter or leave at any period in the afternoon.

WINNIPEG.—“What's the matter with us?” was the exclamation of several well known crack shots in the contest for President E. L. Drewery's prize; Captain Scoones' and the company's prize \$10 to the party making the highest score in any one Saturday match. With the exception of one or two, as the following shows, miserable scores were made, and among the shooters it was hard to give a good reason.

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| Robt. Macklin | 30 | 17 | 26 | 73 | 499 | Ed. Doidge | 23 | 18 | 24 | 65 | 442 |
| Alex. McIntyre | 30 | 25 | 21 | 76 | 494 | Capt. Balfour | 25 | 24 | 5 | 54 | 442 |
| C. N. Mitchell | 29 | 28 | 21 | 78 | 492 | A. W. Bleadell | 27 | 21 | 14 | 62 | 425 |
| Andy Gillies | 29 | 16 | 17 | 62 | 483 | Wm. Lamb | 28 | 19 | 6 | 53 | 415 |
| Thos. Dade | 31 | 18 | 11 | 60 | 452 | E. A. Griffith | 25 | 11 | 8 | 44 | 404 |
| S. S. Kennon | 25 | 19 | 10 | 54 | 445 | A. G. Barnhart | 27 | 21 | 24 | 72 | 382 |

KILDONAN.—At a late meeting of the Kildonan Rifle Range Co., it was resolved that the competition for the president's and Capt. Scoones' prizes be suspended from Saturday, August 7th, to enable members to attend the provincial matches on the 12th, 13th and 14th, and that the competition be reopened on Saturday, September 11th after the return of the Manitoba team from the east. The secretary reported that 340 shares in the company had been taken at \$10 each. Ten per cent. on 155 shares was paid to the treasurer at the meeting. Capts. Scoones, Graburn and Mr. W. R. Daw were appointed a committee to wait upon all those who had signed the stock sheets and collect the ten per cent. The directors will be appointed at a meeting to be held on the 20th.

The grand totals in the competition for the McIntyre trophy are as follows: C. N. Mitchell, 526; Andy Gillies, 523; Capt. Balfour, 516; Ed. Doidge, 487; Thos. Dade, 468; Alex. McIntyre, 465; E. A. Griffith, 439.

MINNEDOSA, MAN.—A rifle association has been formed here with the following officers: Capt. McIntosh, president; Capt. Beauchamp, 1st vice-president; H. Hilliard, 2nd vice-president; W. Bagshawe, secretary-treasurer; Messrs. D. Cannon, B. M. Armitage, Geo. Perry, S. Fairbairn, W. Wigmore, Wm. McDonald, John Thompson, C. C. Black, council; Lieut. Gray, range officer.

Capt. E. H. Fletcher, secretary of the British Columbia rifle association, has just written to Lieut.-Col. Bacon, secretary of the D. R. A., stating that eight members of the active militia of that province would be present at the approaching Dominion matches, and would probably arrive in Ottawa on the 28th August. This year, for the first time, all the provinces of the Dominion will have representative teams at the annual D. R. A. prize meeting. It may be stated that the entry forms for this competition are now ready for issue.

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?)

HALIFAX.—The Royal Irish Rifles leave Halifax for Egypt shortly, and will be replaced by the 84th Regiment.

OTTAWA.—The Princess Louise Dragoon Guards, after a period of early morning drill, from 5 to 7 a.m., in their new riding school, passed very creditably their annual inspection, which took place last week before Lieut.-Col. Lamontagne, D. A. G., who highly complimented Capt. Gourdeau on the efficiency of his troop. The Dragoons had a moonlight excursion on the new steamer “Empress” on the Ottawa river on Monday evening, at which a large number of their friends were present and spent a very pleasant evening. Music was furnished by the G. G. F. G. band.

Capt. Donaldson of the Militia department will likely organize a brigade of garrison artillery in this city in the near future. At present there is no garrison artillery brigade in the Ottawa district. Capt. Donaldson was formerly attached to “B” battery.

On the return of the 21st Essex battalion from camp on the 3rd they were banquetted by the ladies of Windsor and county and afterwards presented with a handsome standard.

WINNIPEG.—The members of “C” company, after reading an address expressive of their esteem, etc., and wishing both a very happy matrimonial journey, presented to Mr. and Mrs. Turner a handsome dinner service. Mr. Turner acknowledged the kindly act as well as his feelings would permit. After spending a short time in pleasant conversation the intruders took their departure.—*Manitoban*.

It has been suggested to have a military parade to the Provincial Exhibition at St. Boniface on September 28 and 29. The secretary-treasurer of the Board of Agriculture is in communication on the subject with Lieut.-Col. Houghton, D.A.G.; Capt. Knight, of the Cavalry; Capt. Coutlee, of the Battery; Lt.-Col. Taylor, of the Mounted Infantry School, and Lt.-Col. McKeand, of the 90th. Such a parade would prove a very attractive feature of the exhibition, as many of the visitors, especially those from the country districts, have not had an opportunity of seeing the men who made such a splendid record at the front last year.

MOOSEJAW.—Lt.-Col. Houghton, of Winnipeg, arrived July 10, and inspected “A” battery detachment, Major Wilson in command, which has been serving in the North-west since the beginning of the rebellion of 1885. The colonel having been received with a general salute, proceeded to make a minute inspection of men and horses. He expressed himself as well pleased with the smart appearance of the men, and was glad to see by the numerous decorations worn and the healthy appearance of the men that their hardships during the campaign and the more fatiguing time lately of inactivity had apparently been so beneficial to all in the ranks. The colonel then complimented Major Wilson and his command on the admirable manner in which the arduous march last spring from Battleford to Swift Current had been conducted. The battery paraded at 7.30 on the 13th, and proceeded by special train to join their headquarters at Kingston, Ont., picking up “B” battery detachment, under Major Short, at Qu'Appelle.

The *Canada Gazette* contains the appointment of Herchmer commissioner and Pierce Inspector of the North-west Mounted Police as commissioners of police within the Province of British Columbia.

The military guard over President Garfield's remains in Cleveland, Ohio, has been removed. The lid of the casket was removed and the features of Garfield found to be unchanged. The casket was removed to a public vault where a guard will watch it till the monument is completed.

Work on the new riding school for the North-west Mounted Police at Regina is going on.

Militia General Orders, of 7th May.

No. 1.—REGULATIONS AND ORDERS FOR THE MILITIA, 1883.

Paragraph 161 of Regulations and Orders for the Militia, 1883, is hereby amended by substituting the following, which is an amendment to paragraph II, sec. VI, of the Queen's Regulations and Orders for the Army, 1885, published in Imperial General Orders 42, 1st April, 1886, viz:—

“Officers and soldiers are prohibited from publishing or communicating to the Press, without special authority, either directly or indirectly, information relative to the numbers, movements or operations of the troops, or details regarding fortifications, armaments, or experiments made in connection with military matters. They are not to attempt to prejudice questions under investigation by publication, anonymously or otherwise, of their opinions.”

No. 2.—WAR MEDALS FOR SERVICE IN THE NORTH-WEST IN 1885.

Adverting to No. 2 General Orders (21) 18th September, 1885, these “War Medals” may be delivered to the “next of kin” of deceased members who had become entitled to receive such. The officer commanding the corps, or other, entrusted with the delivery of the medals to members of his corps will satisfy himself that the person to whom he delivers the medal is “next of kin” to the party originally entitled to receive it, the receipt for the same to be so expressed.

No. 3.—ACTIVE MILITIA.—UNEMPLOYED OFFICERS ON THE ACTIVE LIST.

Adverting to No. 2 of General Orders (7), 2nd April, 1886, it is to be understood that length of time on this list will not count for seniority or command in the Militia. Officers transferred to a corps will rank in the corps junior of their grade, unless otherwise specified.

The following officers have the rank of colonel, from the 28th April, 1886:—Lieut.-Col. Charles Eugene Panet and Surg.-Gen. Darby Bergin, from retired list of lieut.-cols.

PERMANENT CORPS.—COMPANY OF MOUNTED INFANTRY, WINNIPEG.

Lieut. Arthur Emile Doucet, Graduate Royal Military College, who has resigned his commission in this company, is hereby transferred to the list of “unemployed officers.”

4th Regt. Cav., No. 4 Troop.—To be Capt. prov., Sergt. Edwin Armitage Earl Halliwell (S. C., 1st B.), vice Frederick White, left limits.

To be Adjutant with rank of Lieut., Lieut. Henry Smith Greenwood, R.M.C., vice Duff.

7th Batt., No. 3 Co.—To be Lieut., 2nd Lieut. John Herbert Pope, S.I., from No. 7 Co., vice Starr.

No. 5 Co.—To be Capt., Lieut. Chas. Fred. Cox, V.B., from No. 4 Co., vice Robert Dillon, who retires retaining rank.

To be 2nd Lieut., prov., Robert Orr Shaw Wood, vice Geo. Hayes, who resigns. To be Adjutant with rank of Lieut., Sergt.-Major Richard James Byrne (formerly Col.-Sergt. in H.M.'s regular army), vice Reid, resigned.

10th Batt.—To be Quarter-Master, Robert Baldwin Ellis, vice Bethune.

15th Batt.—To be 2nd Lieut., prov., Sergt. Robt. Bogle, vice Reuben Stedwin Sills, left limits. Sergt. Lionel Montrose Parker, vice Charles McKenzie Reid, who resigns.

25th Batt., No. 3 Co.—To be Lieut., Lieut. George Harris, V.B., from the Adjutancy.

34th Batt., No. 1 Co.—To be Capt., Lieut. John James O'Donovan, M.S., vice Rutledge, appointed Adjutant.

To be Adjutant, Capt. Jas. Rutledge, M.S., from No. 1 Co., vice White.

36th Batt.—To be Assistant Surgeon, James Henry, M.D., vice John Turner Mullin, who neglected to attend annual drill in camp, in 1884.

44th Batt., No. 5 Co.—To be Lieut. prov., Dennis R. Pursel, vice John F. Gross, who resigns.

To be 2nd Lieut. prov., John Hugh Crow, vice Duncan Kennedy, left limits.

56th Batt., No. 5 Co.—To be Capt., Lieut. James Albert Elliott, M.S., vice Burritt, appointed Adjutant.

To be Adjutant, Capt. W. Henry Burritt, V.B., from No. 5 Co.

Queen's Own Can. Hussars, “A” Troop.—To be Lieut., Hon. Capt. and Riding Master William Walwyn Martin, C.C., vice Stockwell, resigned.

8th Batt.—To be Lieut.-Col. from 31st March, 1886, Capt. Henry John Miller, S.I., from No. 4 Co., vice Scott, retired.

11th Batt.—Is permitted to adopt and use the following badge and motto, and to have the same inscribed on the regimental colors, viz:—"A military star, in the centre the numeral 11, encircled by the additional designation of the battalion. The whole encircled by a wreath of maple leaves surmounted by the imperial crown, with the motto 'No Surrender' on a scroll underneath."

No. 5 Co.—To be 2nd Lieut. prov., Color Sergt. Adley Shirritt, vice Rogers, promoted.

54th Batt., No. 4 Co.—To be 2nd Lieut. prov., Sergt. Charles Henry Stevens, vice Walter Lyon Houston, who has failed to attend annual drill in camp.

64th Batt.—Lieut.-Col. Jean Marie Prud'homme being over the age fixed by regulations, is hereby placed on the retired list, retaining rank.

N. B. Brig. Gar. Art., No. 5 Bat.—To be Lieut. prov., James Albert Edward Steeves, vice Scammell, promoted.

Erratum in No. 4 of General Orders (8), 10th April, 1885, in the appointment "To be 2nd Lieut. prov.," read "Ernest Hatheway Turnbull" instead of "Edward Hatheway Turnbull."

67th Batt. No. 6 Co.—The headquarters of this company are hereby changed from "Grand Falls" to "Andover."

To be Capt., Lieut. Arthur Herbert McLaughlan, S.I., vice Charles Edward Beckwith, who retires retaining rank.

74th Batt. No. 1 Co.—To be Lieut., 2nd Lieut. Hiram Samuel Langstroth, M.S., vice William Moody Chamberlain, who retires retaining rank. To be 2nd Lieut. prov., Sergt. Charles Westley Weymund, vice Langstroth.

Lunenburg Bat. Gar. Art.—To be 2nd Lieut. prov., Gunner Charles William Harris Kaulbach, vice John Smith, who resigns.

66th Batt.—To be Lieut. prov., Wm. Marshall Black, vice Hensley, promoted.

93rd Batt.—To be Major, Capt. and Brevet-Major Josiah Albert Black, V.B., from the Adjutancy, vice Harrison, promoted.

No. 1 Co.—To be Capt., Lieut. George Howard Black, M.S., vice Dixon C. Allan who resigns.

To be Lieut. Sergt. William A. Fillmore, M.S., vice Black.

To be 2nd Lieut., prov., Sergt. Richard C. Soy, vice Jacob W. Porter, left limits.

91st Batt.—To be 2nd Lieut. prov., Sergt.-Major Charles Joseph Hollands, vice M. R. Currie, who resigns.

B. C. Bri. Gar. Art.—The corps heretofore designated the "B. C. Prov. Reg. of Gar. Art.," will in future be designated and known as the "British Columbia Brigade of Garrison Artillery."

To be Lieut.-Col., Major Richard Wolfenden, R.S.A.

No. 1 Battery—To be 2nd Lieut. prov. and supernumerary as a special case, Sergt. James Edward Phillips.

BREVET.

To be Major, from 5th May, 1886, Capt. Edward Thankful Sturdee, S.I., 62nd Batt.

CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

Lieut. Elzear Robert Adolphe Taschereau, S.I., No. 3 Co., 43rd batt., from 31st March, 1886.

2nd Lieut. George Henry Funnell, S.I., No. 2 Co., 41st Batt., from 31st March, 1886.

2nd Lieut. William Ezra Black, S.I., No. 8 Co., 40th Batt., from 31st March, 1886.

Erratum in No. 3 of the General Orders (8) 22nd April, 1886, with reference to Capt. Wyatt Samuel Wood's confirmation of rank, read "39th Batt.," instead of "59th Batt."

Lieut. Arthur Scott Henshaw, S.I., 1st Batt., from 31st March, 1886.

2nd Lieut. Joseph Bernard Peters, S.I., No. 6 Co., 8th Batt., from 31st March, 1886.

2nd Lieut. Lucien Gilbert Elzear Fiset, S.I., No. 1 Co., 9th Batt., from 31st March, 1886.

2nd Lieut. Charles H. Godfrey, S.I., 1st Batt., from 31st March, 1886.

2nd Lieut. Frank Scott, S.I., 1st Batt., from 31st March, 1886.

2nd Lieut. William Dell Hartt, S.I., No. 5 Co., 71st Batt., from 31st March, 1886.

2nd Lieut. Robert Rankin Ritchie, R.S.A., No. 1 Bat. N.B. Brig. Gar. Art., from 20th April, 1886.

2nd Lieut. Howard Mills, S.I., No. 4 Co., 93rd Batt.

2nd Lieut. Edward Felix McNeil, S.I., No. 4 Co., 72nd Batt.

2nd Lieut. Thomas Albert Blackburn, S.I., No. 3 Co., 78th Batt.

2nd Lieut. Daniel Duncan Cameron, S.I., No. 6 Co., 78th Batt.

No. 4.—CERTIFICATES GRANTED.

Erratum.—In No. 4 of General Orders (8) 22nd April, 1886, under the heading "Royal Schools of Artillery," 15th line, read "Second Class Short Course Grade B" instead of "Second Class Long Course Grade B."

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