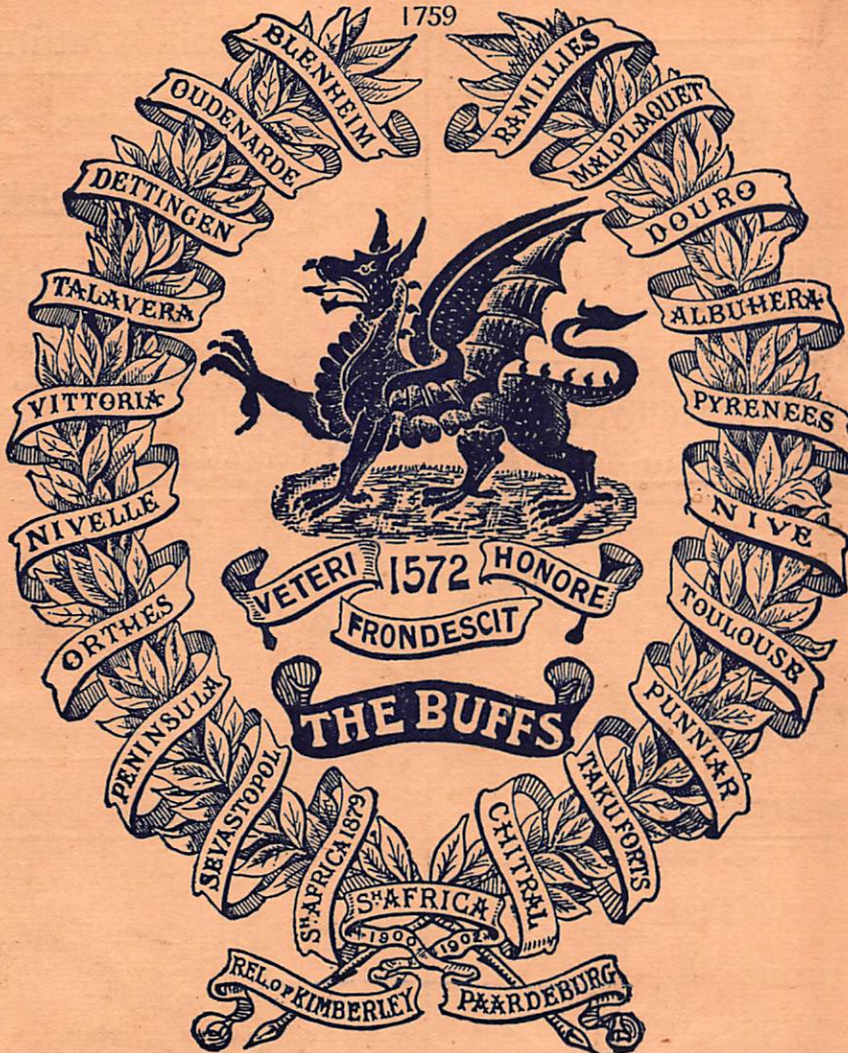


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## Deaths.

OMMANNEY—On August 2nd, at the residence of her mother, "Northiam," Earls Avenue, Folkestone, Augusta Helen Ommanney, wife of Brigdr.-General A. E. Ommanney, C.B., and eldest child of the late W. W. Gascoyne, Bapchild Court, near Sittingbourne.

CUMBER—On the 27th July, Herbert Charles Cumber, Captain (retired), The Buffs, in his 61st year, at his residence, 23 Andover Road, Southsea.

## Editorial Notes.

It was with the greatest regret that we heard of the death of Captain H. C. Cumber. We saw him only last June at the Regimental Dinner, when he was looking particularly well, and he was in the best of spirits. Our deep sympathy goes to his widow and family.

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The 1st Battalion once more departed for Kilbride on the 3rd June, this time for field-firing. The youngsters who marched were given their first taste of full pouches, each man carrying the full load of 150 rounds of ammunition. Good

old Kilbride weather prevailed the day after arrival, the rain falling incessantly, accompanied by much wind, and continued more or less throughout our stay.

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THE DRAGON have to thank the 2nd Battalion for a princely donation of £20. This puts us well on the credit side of the ledger, and we hope now to keep there. We need hardly say that we are extremely grateful.

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The Battalion is furnishing a goodly number of competitors for the A. I. A. Rifle Meeting at the Curragh, and we hope to see a few prizes "lifted" there.

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We wish the meeting better luck than our own got at Kilbride, for what was perforce cancelled owing to the bad weather.

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By the way, we wonder if there is anything in the rumour that only those with swimming certificates will be allowed in future to go to Kilbride.

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From the 2nd to the 25th of September we shall be on Brigade and Divisional Training, thus completing a busy season.

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The continuation of the interesting article on "A Tour of Service in N. Nigeria" is unavoidably held over."



## The Canterbury Week.

What with rain killing the cricket on three days of the week, the food for the tea being hung up on the South Eastern Railway, and both Battalions being quartered at the back of beyond, the Canterbury week can hardly be said to have been without its mishaps.

Neither place nor circumstance, however (being quartered at Dover is even included), have ever yet been known to exist or occur when the jolly old Push have failed to derive pleasure. So that, taken as a whole, the rain-besattered week must be termed a success.

The better match of the week against Hampshire was flooded out after the first day, and a better day's cricket has seldom been seen. The Notts match provided two days' amusement when the showers permitted, and the Notts team on the second day afforded a fine example of the correct method of retiring man by man at

irregular intervals in the face of superior attack. They got it in the neck, but were never disgraced.

Considering the outlying stations of the two Battalions and the awful weather, a very fair number of officers, past and present, rolled up for the week, and amongst those present were the following:—Colonels Bunbury, Jackson, Newnham-Davis, Bradley Dyne, Majors Jumbo Spens, Eaton, Captains Ternan, Knight, Kirkpatrick, Norman, Chapman, Crookenden, Creswell, Hickman, Baird, Raines, and Lieutenants George Friend, Guy Lee, Davidson, Nicholls, and Terry. Captain Racald has not been included in this list, as a few lines of thanks are due to him for the admirable arrangements which went to make the regimental enclosure such a success. Sergeant Oliver, with all his staff, must also not be forgotten in this respect.

The officers at the Depot somewhat ran amok on the Tuesday night. They entertained the old stagers to supper in the Mess, and well over sixty sat down to the meal. An entertainment worthy of being performed before any crowned head of the East or the West was given by Mr. Cooper Mitchell, and the evening ended in the small hours of the morning!

As a comment on the Staff, Lieutenant Davidson laughed the loudest, but not without reason, as the show was the best.

Two officers of the regiment, namely, Captain Racald and Captain Baird, took part with the old stagers—the former, as a Frenchman with canvas shoes and liquorice soles, in "My Wife," was great—an excellent performance, which all enjoyed. Captain Baird's boots squeaked. During the tea intervals the tent became suitably crowded for the occasion. Major Finch-Hatton was sadly missed.



### HARD LINES.

Said he—"Now my training's been through,  
So I think I'll do well at the "Corough,""

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He got left on the track.

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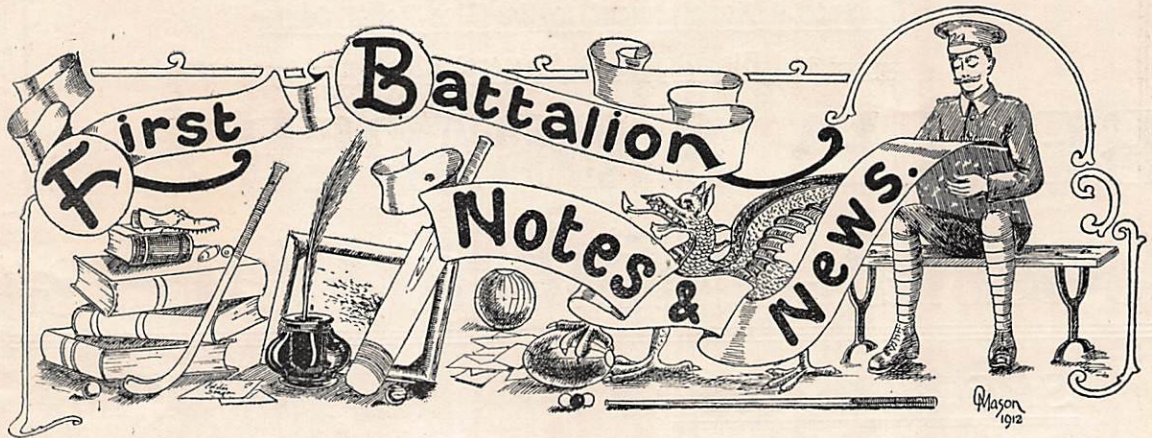
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### APPOINTMENTS.

Captain H. H. C. Baird, D.S.O., has been appointed an officer of a company of gentlemen cadets at the Royal Military College.

Captain L. H. Smith has been appointed to the 2nd Battalion on promotion.

Second Lieutenant A. J. Peareth to be Lieutenant, dated 19th June.

Extract from "The London Gazette," dated 26th July, 1912:—The Buffs (East Kent Regiment)—Lieutenant Lyndon H. Smith to be Captain, dated 19th June, 1912.

Second Lieutenant Humphrey C. T. Stronge to be Lieutenant, dated 8th May, 1912.

- 8997 Private W. Jones, appointed Acting Lance-Corporal.
- 9551 Private P. Hollands, appointed Acting Lance-Corporal.
- 9558 Private J. Durham, appointed Acting Lance-Corporal.
- 9477 Private G. Bromley, appointed Acting Lance-Corporal.
- 8295 Lance-Sergeant T. Martin, appointed Paid Lance-Sergeant, 24-7-12.
- 9568 Lance-Corporal E. Evans, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 7083 Lance-Corporal L. Morey, appointment to Paid Lance-Corporal cancelled.
- 9240 Lance-Corporal G. Bellingham, appointment to Paid Lance-Corporal cancelled.
- 9439 Lance-Corporal S. Carrier, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 1-7-12.
- 9453 Lance-Corporal A. Le Mar, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 8-7-12.
- 9007 Lance-Corporal H. Wakefield, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 10-7-12.
- 9450 Lance-Corporal H. Bridgland, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 9464 Lance-Corporal C. Rice, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 9517 Lance-Corporal W. Lewis, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 9479 Lance-Corporal D. Day, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 8810 Lance-Corporal F. McLachlan, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 8669 Lance-Corporal C. MacWalter, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 8318 Lance-Corporal E. Setterfield, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 7083 Lance-Corporal L. Morey, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 9240 Lance-Corporal G. Bellingham, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 24-7-12.
- 9240 Private G. Bellingham, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 18-5-12.
- 9468 Private Lancefield, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 22-5-12.
- 9603 Private Marsh, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 22-5-12.
- 9675 Private Williams, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 22-5-12.
- 9695 Private Worsley, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 22-5-12.
- 9305 Private A. Stanley, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 23-5-12.
- 9608 Private S. Marshall, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 23-5-12.
- 8851 Private C. Rolfe, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 21-6-12.
- 9556 Private G. Gambell, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 29-6-12.
- 9616 Private W. Weller, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 29-6-12.
- 9381 Private F. Love, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 4-7-12.
- 9203 Private A. Fogg, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 19-7-12.
- 9554 Private E. Kinby, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 19-7-12.
- 9477 Private G. Bromley, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 20-7-12.
- 8997 Private W. Jones, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 25-7-12.
- 9551 Private P. Hollands, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 25-7-12.
- 9558 Private J. Durham, appointed Unpaid Lance-Corporal, 29-7-12.
- 8545 Corporal G. Blackman, appointed Unpaid Lance-Sergeant, 8-5-12.

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- 8355 Corporal W. King, appointed Unpaid Lance-Sergeant, 24-7-12.
- 8775 Private T. Smith, to Regimental Depot for tour of duty, 2nd August.
- Sergeant W. Farrow has been posted to 1st Battalion from 5th Battalion for duty.
- 4273 Sergeant W. Ainge proceeded to Ashford on the 29th July, 1912, for duty with 5th Buffs in relief of Sergeant Farrow.
- 4825 Private A. Lissenden, appointed Pioneer, 2-7-12.
- 9333 Lance-Corporal J. Harris, granted first Good Conduct Badge, 26-7-12.
- 8596 Private J. Mephram, granted second Good Conduct Badge, 25-7-12.
- 9329 Private A. Spicer, discharged by purchase, 23-7-12.
- 6377 Private W. Gaymer, discharged on termination of first period of engagement, 22-7-12.
- 6380 Lance-Sergeant A. Cadman, discharged on termination of first period of engagement, 23-7-12.
- 4258 Private J. Smith, discharged, medically unfit for further service, 29-7-12.
- 8815 Lance-Corporal J. Webb, awarded 2nd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9464 Lance-Corporal C. Rice, awarded 2nd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9717 Private J. Harden, awarded 2nd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9536 Private H. Hewett, awarded 2nd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9699 Boy A. Meakin, awarded 2nd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9740 Boy H. Clements, awarded 2nd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9768 Boy R. Kennard, awarded 2nd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9052 Private E. Bell, awarded 3rd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9360 Private A. Furner, awarded 3rd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9801 Private G. Page, awarded 3rd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9646 Boy J. Edwards, awarded 3rd Class Certificate, 5-7-12.
- 9816 Private C. Johnson, awarded 3rd Class Certificate, 25-7-12.
- 9080 Lance-Corporal G. Cassell, promoted Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 8781 Lance-Corporal G. Baker, promoted Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 8887 Lance-Corporal F. Holness, promoted Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 9127 Lance-Corporal F. Horlock, promoted Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 8747 Lance-Corporal V. Hallam, promoted Corporal, 21-7-12.
- 9280 Lance-Corporal W. Taylor, promoted Corporal, 24-7-12.
- 9831 Private W. Manser, joined 1st Battalion, 25-7-12.
- 9483 Private W. Farrell, joined 1st Battalion, 14-8-12.
- Private F. J. Dyer, joined 1st Battalion, 14-8-12.
- Private H. J. Smith, joined 1st Battalion, 14-8-12.
- Private G. W. Rushton, joined 1st Battalion, 14-8-12.
- Private D. Hart, joined 1st Battalion, 14-8-12.
- Boy A. Rye, joined 1st Battalion, 3-8-12.
- 9765 Private L. Dorman, posted from Regimental Depot, 3-8-12.
- 9773 Private W. Knight, posted from Regimental Depot, 3-8-12.
- 9781 Private F. Martin, posted from Regimental Depot, 3-8-12.
- 9783 Private T. Seath, posted from Regimental Depot, 3-8-12.
- 9767 Private H. Harden, posted from Regimental Depot, 3-8-12.
- 9778 Private C. Philpot, posted from Regimental Depot, 3-8-12.
- 9782 Private H. Carpenter, posted from Regimental Depot, 3-8-12.
- 9786 Private J. Bish, posted from Regimental Depot, 3-8-12.
- 8755 Private T. Smith, posted to Regimental Depot, 7-8-12.
- 8537 Private A. Perkins, to Army Reserve on conversion of service.

The undernamed are transferred to the Royal Engineers (Army Signal Service) in the rank of Pioneer, and are posted as follows:—

- 8318 Lance-Corporal E. Setterfield, D Company, to 5th Signalling Company, Curragh.
- 9028 Private H. Clibbon, A Company, to 5th Signalling Company, Curragh.
- 9467 Private D. Mason, A Company, to 6th Signalling Company, Limerick.

9007 Lance-Corporal Drummer H. Wakefield reverted to Acting Drummer on 10-7-12 on appointment as Paid Lance-Corporal.

#### MEDALS.

The Commanding Officer presented the Medals for Long Service and Good Conduct to the undernamed after Church Parade on 28th July:—Quartermaster-Sergeant A. Corney, Colour-Sergeant G. Hall, Sergeants J. Gale, C. Bishenden, and W. Ainge, Private A. Warren.

#### G COMPANY NOTES.

Dear Editor—This month there is a dearth of news altogether, we being forced to live again amidst the streams of Kilbride. However, before this awful fate overtook us we played off the cricket, G first meeting H Company, and winning easily. Robbins, Sylvester, and Lissenden did very good work. Sylvester is to be complimented on his form. He is new with us, and we looked forward to him doing as well when we met C Company. However, we were disappointed; we lost the match and had to retire.

In the recruits' company race G was easily winners, the young fellows running well. We hope to have a look in with the cross-country running this year, having some good youngsters, who, if they put their minds to it, can do well.



Again we have to report the loss of two more old hands—Mullah Ainge, to Ashford, and Bob Wack-rill, to pension.

Hope to supply more news after leave.

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### CRICKET.

#### BAND v. REST OF BATTALION.

The Band at the commencement of the season proposed to play each Company in turn at cricket, and up to the time of writing only two Companies have "faced the music," viz., A and B. A Company, being first on the roll, played a plucky game, but, as expected, fell an easy victim to the more scientific side of cricket. B Company came next, and shared the same fate, and it has been said that this match was only a "scratch game." If so, the batting and bowling analysis of the Band team has suffered considerably.

Being encouraged by their success of the first two matches, it was decided to play for higher stakes, so a challenge was thrown out to the "Remainder of the Battalion" (minus the officers), and to be a one-day match. Play commenced at 11.30 a.m. sharp, and the Band winning the toss decided to bat first.

Things at first did not look at all favourable for the success of the Band. Sergeant Inglis and Bandsman Thacker went in first to test the bowling of Privates Hills and Fowler. Ben, after a little careful batting, managed to pile on 4, and through some unforeseen reason was bowled by Hills. Lance-Corporal Denney replaced Ben, and as everybody thought he was "set" for a time he was caught for 1. Collier gave an exhibition of skilful batting and hard hitting, but was caught and bowled by Fowler, this wicket making no alteration in the total score. At last out of the gloom came Mr. Elvin and Lance-Corporal White, who joined partnership, and carried the score to 56. Mr. Elvin playing his usual game, made a few brisk outs, but most of his runs were the outcome of very powerful driving, clever placing, and hitting to leg. He obtained 19 out of his 31 in ten minutes, and so far as could be seen did not make a mistake of any kind. Lance-Corporal White, after a little hard hitting, was caught by Dunn for 16. Hall once again came to the front and added a very useful 34. Lambourne and Smith then joined hands, and determined to make up all deficiencies. Lambourne, after a few carefully-placed hits, made 8. Smith had the misfortune to be given out l b w before he had an opportunity of showing his style. Consequently no alteration in the score was made. Lister, going in last but not least, "did" make 1 not out. This concluded the first innings of the Band for a grand total of 115.

The "Rest" then went in to bat. Private Dunn and Sergeant Holloway were the first to break the bowling, but Dunn fell an easy victim to the fielder-like bowling of Collier. Warren then joined Holloway. The score without further loss was carried to 25, when Warren fell to the ever-changing bowling of Mr. Elvin.

When Hills and Fowler joined partnership the

score mounted up considerably. Hills gave a magnificent display, his driving, cutting, and strokes to the leg side being as hard as they were perfectly timed. When 26 he gave a chance, but there being nobody in the room after the ball had passed through two panes of glass in a building 200 yards away, he was missed! but other than this "one chance" his batting was free from blemish. Fowler retired, caught by Lance-Corporal Alderson for 10. Lance-Corporal Edwards and Sergeant Sayer were dismissed by Lance-Corporal Denney without making any addition to the score, except perhaps a bye or two, which, of course, did not count towards their betting average. Sergeant W. K. Martin seeing things at a standstill, determined to make a move, and after a fine display—several clever strokes—he augmented the score by 23, and fell to Mr. Elvin. Private Manning, after an interval, went in and added another 9. Lissenden and Bush knowing the score, thought it sufficient, so made no addition, both being caught.

On the conclusion of the first innings the "Rest" led by 92 runs, which gave the Band something to think about, especially as Lister was dismissed for 1, and another 7 wickets fell for 37 runs. Sergeant Inglis and Lance-Corporal Denney—seeing the seriousness of the position, made a stand—Inglis making 58 and Denney 29. Thacker supported this by a very useful 18, which made 149. At the finish of the Band second innings a grand total of 264 was made, of which the "Rest" got 207 on the first innings, leaving them only 58 to get to win.

Hills and Warren went in first to decide matters, when Warren was caught for 9. Fowler relieved Warren and was bowled by Collier for 10. Holloway, Lissenden, and Edwards, were caught off Mr. Elvin's bowling. Sergeant Martin 4, c Inglis, making another victim to Mr. Elvin. Sergeant Sayers making exactly the same score as in the first innings, was caught by Lambourne. Bush went in and played a very careful hand, as he was not out, 2. In the meantime Hills had been scoring slowly, in fact he put on 29, when Manning was bowled by Collier. Dunn took the situation in at a glance. The result of the game was entirely depending upon his play, and not having had an opportunity of judging his batting abilities on the first innings, excitement was running high. His first stroke was a very neat cut in the slips for 1, everybody clapped until their hands ached. Bush played the next ball, when the umpire said "over." Everybody was in a fever of excitement, and when Mr. Elvin put an easy ball up for Dunn to play, the Band supporters groaned Dunn with a mighty hit landed the ball on the boundary line, and scored, as everybody thought, the winning two runs.

But Lance-Corporal Denney, standing on the line, caught the ball, still having one foot within the boundary line. What happened then is a blank, but everybody rushed to make sure the scorers had won no mistake. No, he was correct. The Band had won by two runs.

TACET.

## FIRST INNINGS.—THE BAND.

Sergeant Inglis b Hills .....	4
Bandsman Thacker b Fowler .....	4
Lance-Corporal Denney c Manning b Hills .....	1
Bandsman Collier c and b Fowler .....	0
Bandmaster Elvin c and b Holloway .....	31
Lance-Corporal White c Dunn b Edwards .....	16
Bandsman Hall b Fowler .....	34
Lance-Corporal Alderson c Fowler b Dunn .....	6
Bandsman Lambourne b Hills .....	8
Bandsman Lister not out .....	1
Extras .....	10
Total .....	115

## FIRST INNINGS.—"THE REST."

Private Dunn c Smith b Collier .....	0
Sergeant Holloway b Thacker .....	7
Private Warren l b w b Mr. Elvin .....	18
Private Fowler c Alderson b Collier .....	10
Private Hills not out .....	129
Lance-Corporal Edwards c Lister b Denney .....	0
Sergeant Sayer b Denney .....	0
Sergeant Martin c and b Mr. Elvin .....	23
Private Manning b Collier .....	9
Private Lissenden c Thacker b Denney .....	0
Private Bush c Mr. Elvin b Denney .....	0
Extras .....	11
Total .....	207

## SECOND INNINGS.—BAND.

Bandsman Lister c Hills b Lissenden .....	1
Bandsman Lambourne b Lissenden .....	8
Bandsman Smith b Lissenden .....	1
Bandsman Collier c Fowler b Warren .....	9
Lance-Corporal Alderson b Lissenden .....	8
Sergeant Inglis c Manning b Fowler .....	58
Lance-Corporal Denney c Martin b Edwards .....	29
Bandsman Thacker b Holloway .....	18
Lance-Corporal White not out .....	9
Bandsman Hall c Lissenden b Holloway .....	0
Bandmaster Elvin l b w b Holloway .....	2
Extras .....	6
Total .....	149

## SECOND INNINGS.—"THE REST."

Private Hills c Hall b Mr. Elvin .....	29
Private Warren c Alderson b Collier .....	9
Private Fowler b Collier .....	10
Sergeant Holloway c Lambourne b Mr. Elvin .....	0
Private Lissenden c Collier b Mr. Elvin .....	0
Lance-Corporal Edwards c and b Mr. Elvin .....	0
Sergeant Martin c Inglis b Mr. Elvin .....	4
Sergeant Sayer c Lambourne b Collier .....	0
Private Bush not out .....	2
Private Manning b Collier .....	0
Private Dunn c Denney b Mr. Elvin .....	1
Extras .....	0
Total .....	55

## Bowling analysis of Band for Second Innings of "Rest."—

Bowler's Name	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Average.
Bdm. Collier	8	1	28	4	7.0
L.-Cpl. Denney	1	—	16	—	—
Mr. Elvin ...	6.2	3	11	6	1.83

## Runs at the fall of each wicket:—

1 for 26, 2 for 39, 3 for 39, 4 for 39, 5 for 39, 6 for 49, 7 for 50, 8 for 52, 9 for 52, 10 for 55.

Band won by two runs.

## A COMPANY NOTES.

During the past month we have played for and won the Chal'enge Shield for Cricket, our first match being with B Company on the 27th ult.

Having won the toss, A Company opened the match with Bandmaster Elvin and our old friend, Ben Inglis. The Bandmaster played a most perfect not-out innings of 63, every variety of stroke being played with utmost ease. He was ably assisted by Lance-Corporal Clarke and Private Hills, the latter being run out when he looked like making a huge score. As it was, a useful score of 125 was reached. B Troop then had their first knock, and with the exception of Private Collyer no one could face the skilful attack set up by their opponents, Private Hills taking seven of their wickets for 23 runs and G. Fowler three for 38. A opened their second venture, and started none too well, the Bandmaster being out to a catch smartly taken by Andrews. However, old Ben and Hills had a merry knock, and made things look more pleasant. Private Andrews also gave a sound display with 24 not out to his credit. B Troop had a hard task set them, requiring 189 to win, and they commenced their second venture with Mr. Terry and Collyer. They were all soon put to rout except Collyer, who again made a higher score, 31, the remainder helping to reach a total of 68. The bowling of Lance-Corporal Clarke, Privates Hills and G. Fowler was too good for them, Lance-Corporal Denney, of B, being their most successful bowler, and had B shown a little more of Collyer's confidence they would not have been beaten by so great a number as 119 runs.

Our next match was against F Company, played on the 2nd inst. In this game, F winning the toss, elected to bat first, and rattled up a useful score of 92—Sergeant Swendell (14), Private Ruler (20), Marriott (15), and Lance-Corporal Davis (16) being the chief contributors. A troop commenced their innings with the usual pair—the Bandmaster and old Ben—and before the innings closed had knocked up a huge score of 205—Bandmaster Elvin (64), G. Fowler (52 not out), and Hills (29), the Bandmaster being out to the umpire's decision rather unluckily, as it was obvious that the decision was open to criticism. F Company started their second innings with a deficit of 113, and it was soon apparent that they were a doomed side, as no one except Corporal Mills (16) faced the bowling with any confidence, Ruler alone helping him. Colour-Sergeant Mantle, who bowled superbly, took 7 wickets for 20.

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We now had to meet C Troop in the final, and a great game was anticipated, but the spectators were doomed to disappointment, as C Company, batting first, could only raise a total of 61, of which Sergeant Holloway claimed 30, Lance-Corporal Clark taking four wickets for 7 and Hills five for 17, the fielding of A being remarkably keen and clear, everyone striving his best. A commenced their innings with the Bandmaster and old Ben, and were not long in catching their opponents, treating the bowling with scant courtesy, except Sergeant White, who showed that he had to be watched with care, and had the fielding of C been as good as their opponents the huge total of 151 would never have been recorded. Old Ben played delightful cricket for 37, as also did Sunny Hill, 28, and G. Fowler, 29. Having 90 runs to wipe off the slate, C started their second venture, and except for Captain Reeves and Mr. Hall, no one showed anything like defence, Sergeant White being rather unluckily out to the umpire's decision, as was also Lance-Corporal Rolfe. As it was they reached a total of 88, leaving A Company easy winners by an innings and two runs.

A couple of beautiful catches took the eye, being made by Sergeant Holloway and Hills; also Colour-Sergeant Mantle was prominent in fielding the ball so well for the opposing team. So after a couple of hours from lunch we were again possessors of the Shield for the ensuing year.

#### H COMPANY NOTES.

Since our last issue we have had a busy time, quite a lot of work and sport having been got through, and we are now enjoying an easy spell before we carry out Brigade and Divisional Trainings.

On the 26th ult. we met our old-time opponents, G Troop, at cricket for the Shield, and managed to lose, though had a second innings been played I fancy a different result would be recorded. G won the toss and put us in, and very soon had the satisfaction of seeing us routed for the small total of 42, no one playing with real confidence. G went in soon after, and were not long in overhauling us, finally reaching a total of 80. Having decided to play one innings only, G were left to fight some other company for higher awards.

We again visited Kilbride, carrying out field training, and taking advantage of a spare day we had a novel competition for our annual Shield presented for shooting, our old favourite, Sergeant Wall, winning, Lce.-Corporal Thorpe and Private Cuye being second and third respectively. We also entered a team against each company to see which company should represent the Battalion at the "All-Oireland Tourney," and managed to share third place with A, D winning, thus representing the Battalion.

We never went short of a bath; the elements provided same daily, and everyone is glad to be back in barracks again, though a great many of us go to the Curragh to try our luck in teams, etc. Guess it may rain some there like Kilbride. **TOPH.**

#### COMPANY CRICKET MATCHES.—FIRST ROUND.

(Played on 26th July, 1912.)

##### A COMPANY v. B COMPANY.

##### FIRST INNINGS.—A COMPANY.

Bandmaster Elvin not out .....	63
Lance-Sergeant Inglis c Dunn b Lieutenant Terry	5
Lance-Corporal Clarke c Denney .....	14
Private E. Hills run out .....	15
Private G. Fowler c and b Denney .....	2
Private F. Fowler run out .....	2
Private Chaddock c Mr. Terry b Denney .....	0
Lance-Corporal Rixon b Denney .....	0
Private Andrews s Collier b Lieutenant Terry ...	2
Private Lister b Lieutenant Terry .....	0
Private Abbott b Denney .....	11
Extras .....	11
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>125</b>

##### SECOND INNINGS.—A COMPANY.

Bandmaster Elvin c Andrews b Collier .....	0
Private Chaddock b Denney .....	11
Sergeant Inglis c Alderson b Denney .....	29
Private Hills c Silman b Denney .....	18
Lance-Corporal Clarke b Mr. Terry .....	12
Private G. Fowler b Denney .....	1
Private Abbott c Collier b Denney .....	0
Private F. Fowler b Denney .....	14
Lance-Corporal Rixon l b w b Denney .....	5
Private Andrews not out .....	24
Private Lister b Collier .....	3
Extras .....	5
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>122</b>

##### FIRST INNINGS.—B COMPANY.

Mr. Terry c Lister b Hills .....	1
Private Collier b Hills .....	33
Private Dunn c Fowler b Hills .....	4
Lance-Corporal Denney b Hills .....	1
Lance-Corporal Alderson c Chaddock b G. Fowler...	4
Private Silman b Fowler .....	1
Private Swaisland c Rixon b Hills .....	3
Private Anderson c Rixon b Fowler .....	3
Private Fright b Clarke .....	6
Private Hills c Inglis b Hills .....	0
Private Smith c Chaddock b Hills .....	10
Extras .....	0
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>61</b>

##### SECOND INNINGS.—B COMPANY.

Lieutenant Terry c Andrews b Fowler .....	8
Private Collier b Hills .....	31
Private Hills c Lister b Clarke .....	9
Private Dunne run out .....	0
Lance-Corporal Denney l b w b Clarke .....	5
Private Silman b Clarke .....	2
Lance-Corporal Alderson c Chaddock b Clarke ...	0
Private Swaisland b Hills .....	0
Private Fright b Clarke .....	6



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Private Anderson absent .....	0
Private Smith not out .....	1
Extras .....	6
Total .....	68

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	Overs.	Runs.	Wickets.
Hills .....	7	13	2
Fowler .....	3	33	1
Clarke .....	5	17	5

H COMPANY v. G COMPANY.

H COMPANY.

Private Bush b Robbins .....	7
Lance-Corporal Evans c Martin b Robbins .....	0
Private Watson c Ralph b Sylvester .....	5
Sergeant Wall c Harris b Sylvester .....	0
Private Wells b Sylvester .....	0
Private Poole b Sylvester .....	4
Private Lambert b Robbins .....	11
Lance-Corporal Smith b Robbins .....	1
Private Stevens c Martin b Robbins .....	9
Private Langton c Manning b Thacker .....	0
Private Wyatt not out .....	0
Extras .....	5
Total .....	42

G COMPANY.

Sergeant Martin b Wells .....	15
Private Lissenden b Watson .....	16
Private Manning l b w b Wall .....	10
Private Thacker l b w b Watson .....	9
Sergeant Ralph c Wells b Wall .....	11
Lieutenant Earle c Wall b Wells .....	0
Private Sylvester c Watson b Wall .....	4
Lance-Corporal Marshall b Wall .....	1
Private Bryce c Watson b Wall .....	7
Private Robbins b Watson .....	5
Private Harris not out .....	0
Extras .....	2
Total .....	80

A COMPANY v. F COMPANY.

FIRST INNINGS.—F COMPANY.

Private Ruler c Fowler b Clarke .....	20
Boy Keohane b G. Fowler .....	8
Private Potts b Clarke .....	6
Private McLean b G. Fowler .....	1
Private Marriott c Abbott b G. Fowler .....	15
Lance-Corporal Davis c Barrell b Hills .....	16
Private Potts b Clarke .....	6
Private Nickalls b Hills .....	1
Sergeant Swendell not out .....	14
Corporal Mills run out .....	0
Private Tidy b Hills .....	6
Private Barnes c Fowler b Hills .....	3
Extras .....	2
Total .....	92

SECOND INNINGS.—F COMPANY.

Private McLean c Hills b Elvin .....	0
Boy Keohane b Mantle .....	9
Private Marriott c Inglis b Elvin .....	7
Corporal Mills c Elvin b Mantle .....	16
Private Barnes b Andrews .....	1
Private Ruler not out .....	6
Lance-Corporal Davis b Mantle .....	0
Private Potts c Lister b Mantle .....	6
Private Nickalls c Elvin b Mantle .....	6
Private Tidy c Hills b Mantle .....	0
Sergeant Swendell c Lister b Mantle .....	6
Extras .....	4
Total .....	55

FIRST INNINGS.—A COMPANY.

Bandmaster Elvin l b w b Keohane .....	64
Sergeant Inglis b McLean .....	1
Colour-Sergeant Mantle c Tidy b Marriott .....	5
Private Hills c Barnes b McLean .....	29
Lance-Corporal Clarke c Mills b Barnes .....	13
Private G. Fowler not out .....	52
Private Andrews b Marriott .....	0
Private F. Fowler c Potts b Marriott .....	9
Lance-Corporal Barrell c Davis b Mills .....	5
Lance-Corporal Rixon c Swendell b Nickalls .....	7
Private Lister b Nickalls .....	2
Extras .....	18
Total .....	205

A COMPANY v. C COMPANY.

FIRST INNINGS.—C COMPANY.

Mr. McDougall l b w b G. Fowler .....	4
Sergeant White l b w b Hills .....	8
Mr. Hall c Lister b Hills .....	0
Sergeant Holloway c Mantle b Clarke .....	30
Captain Reeves b Hills .....	9
Sergeant Sayers c Chaddock b Clarke .....	3
Sergeant Burton b Clarke .....	4
Lance-Corporal Rolfe c Hills b Clarke .....	0
Private Griffiths l b w b Hills .....	0
Private Hatton c Clarke b Hills .....	8
Private Pollard not out .....	0
Extras .....	3
Total .....	61

SECOND INNINGS.—C COMPANY.

Mr. McDougall b Hills .....	5
Sergeant White l b w b Hills .....	8
Mr. Hall b Clarke .....	16

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Sergeant Holloway b Clarke .....	2
Captain Reeves b G. Fowler .....	38
Sergeant Sayers b G. Fowler .....	4
Sergeant Burton c Inglis b G. Fowler .....	6
Lance-Corporal Rolfe s Chaddock b G. Fowler ...	6
Private Griffiths c Chaddock b G. Fowler .....	2
Private Hatton not out .....	1
Private Pollard c Inglis b Hills .....	0
Extras .....	2
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>88</b>

## FIRST INNINGS.—A COMPANY.

Bandmaster Elvin run out .....	9
Sergeant Inglis b Pollard .....	37
Lce.-Cpl. Clarke c Mr. McDougall b Holloway ...	6
Private Hills b White .....	28
Colour-Sergeant Mantle c Mantle b White .....	11
Private G. Fowler c Mr. Hall b Holloway .....	29
Lance-Corporal Barrell c Capt. Reeves b Pollard ...	7
Private Andrews c Holloway b White .....	1
Private Chaddock c and b Mr. Hall .....	12
Private F. Fowler s and b Mr. Hall .....	1
Private Lister not out .....	1
Extras .....	9
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>151</b>

## ATHLETICS.

We had only one entry for the Army Athletic Meeting at Aldershot—Lieutenant T. Wheler, who won the officers' mile last year. The conditions, however, prevented him from taking part in that event this year. He, however, decided to go for the officers' half-mile. The race was won by Lieutenant Greer, of the Irish Guards, in the time of 2 mins. 6 2-5 secs. Lieutenant Wheler did exceptionally well in getting second, being beaten by two yards only. It was the first time he had competed at the distance.

## SERGEANTS' SHOOTING COMPETITION.

Whilst at Kilbride the annual competition was held for the Sergeants' Cups—The G. C. B. and Hamilton.

The conditions for the G. C. B. Cup were:—Distance, 200 yards; rounds, unlimited; targets, one figure 3 and five iron plates. The firer to be loaded with one charge and could be at the aim when the target appears. Figure 3 exposed for four seconds, firing to commence when target appears. Figure 3 then disappears for about 30 seconds, whilst the firer continues firing at the iron plates. Figure 3 then appears for five seconds and disappears when all firing ceases. Hits on figure count two points, on plates one point.

Sergeant H. Sayer won the Cup with four hits on the figure and two iron plates. Colour-Sergeant Mantle was second, with four hits on the figure and one plate. These were the only competitors who obtained four hits on the figure. Sergeant Croucher was third, with two hits on the figure and three plates.

Below are the complete scores of all the competitors.

The conditions of the Hamilton Cup were:—Distance, 200 and 500 yards; rounds, five at each distance; targets as in annual course—200 yards, second-class figure; 500 yards, first-class figure.

The competition at 200 yards was very keen, no less than fifteen competitors putting up a score of 18 or over out of a possible 20, Lance-Sergeant Smith being the only competitor to register a possible. On reaching 500 yards a fresh wind was blowing, which rather upset some of the firers, as will be seen by the scores at that distance. Interest naturally centred around the leaders at 200 yards, who were Sergeants Smith, Kite, King, and Sayer. Sergeant Smith was the first to perform, and spoilt his chance by scoring only 9 points. Sergeant King then came along with a score of 17, which brought his total to 36, which proved to be the winning score. Sergeant Sayer, putting up a score of 16, brought his total to 35, only to find he had tied with Sergeants Cunningham and R. Martin. This tie was decided by firing five rounds each at 500 yards, and resulted in Sergeant Sayer gaining second place by putting up a score of 16, whilst Sergeant Cunningham got third with a score of 15, Sergeant Martin scoring 14.

Below are the total scores in order of merit.

## HAMILTON CUP.

Rank and Name	200	500	Total
Sergeant King 1st ... ..	19	17	36
„ Sayer 2nd ... ..	19	16	35
„ Cunningham 3rd ... ..	18	17	35
„ Martin, R. ... ..	18	17	35
C'l'r-S'gt. Hall ... ..	18	16	34
Sergeant Kite ... ..	19	15	34
S'gt-D'r. Verlander ... ..	18	16	34
Sergeant Price ... ..	18	16	34
C'l'r-S'gt. Mantle ... ..	18	15	33
„ Kesby, W. ... ..	17	16	33
„ Wall ... ..	17	15	32
„ Inglis ... ..	18	14	32
B'd.-S'gt. White ... ..	16	16	32
Sergeant Mason ... ..	15	16	31
C'l'r-S'gt. Carter ... ..	17	13	30
Sergeant Ralph ... ..	18	12	30
B'd.-M'r. Elvin, G. W. ... ..	15	15	30
C'l'r-S'gt. Jeffrey ... ..	16	13	29
Sergeant Innes ... ..	16	13	29
C'l'r-S'gt. Stone ... ..	16	13	29
Sergeant Swendell ... ..	16	13	29
C.-S. I.M. Ainge ... ..	17	12	29
Sergeant Smith ... ..	20	9	29
C'l'r-S'gt. Read ... ..	14	15	29
Sergeant Gale ... ..	16	12	28
„ Holloway ... ..	18	10	28
„ Burton ... ..	13	14	27
„ Stock ... ..	18	9	27
„ Gambrell ... ..	18	9	27
„ Pigott ... ..	17	9	26
C'l'r-S'gt. Nesbitt ... ..	13	13	26
Sergeant Croucher ... ..	13	13	26
C'l'r-S'gt. Brady ... ..	14	11	25
Sergeant Martin, W. K. ... ..	15	10	25
A'r-S'gt. Wilson ... ..	13	11	24
Sergeant Kesby, T. ... ..	4	17	21
Q.-M.-S. Keeler ... ..	10	5	15



**Names of the Winners of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief's Cup for 1874.**

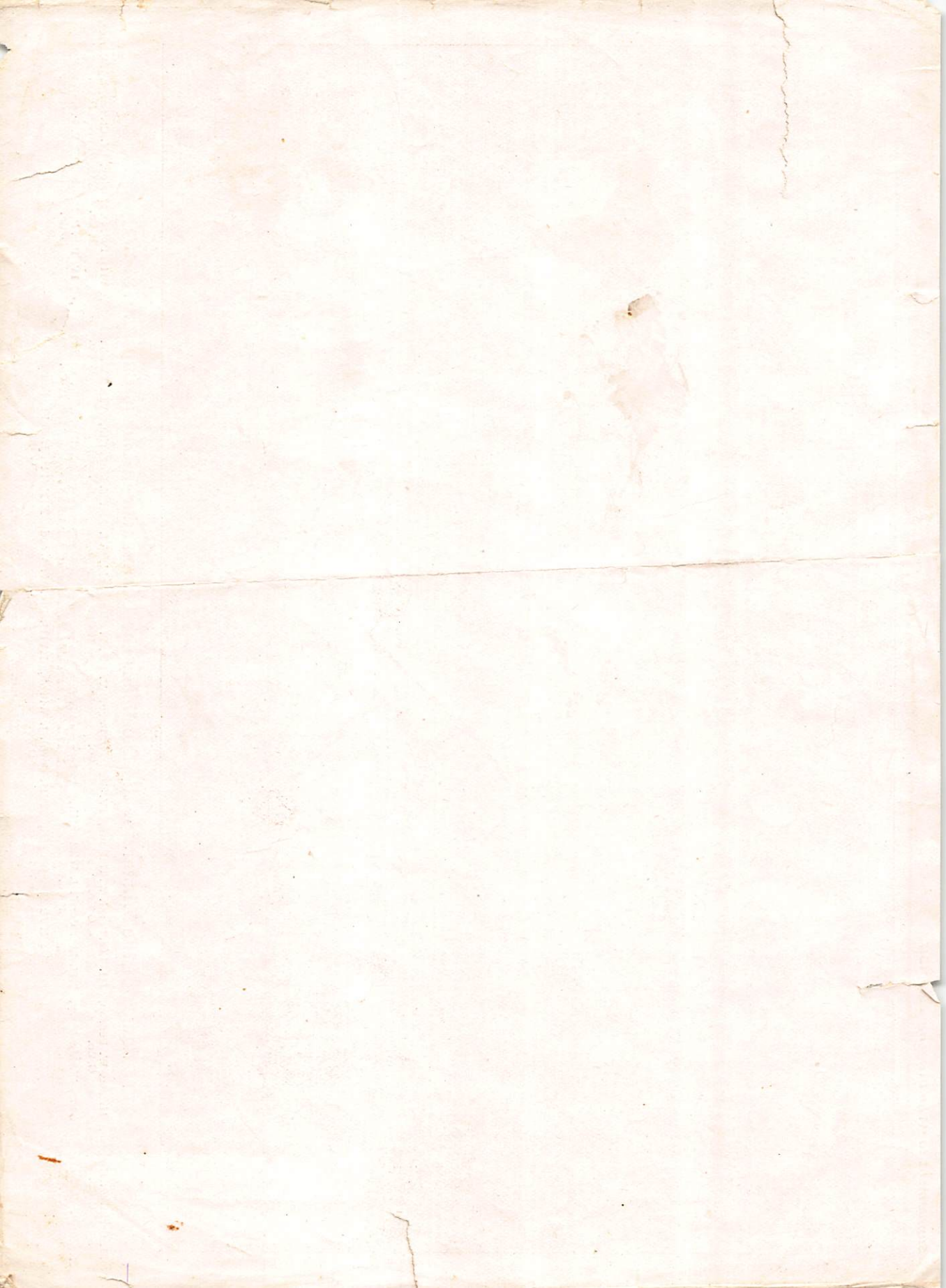
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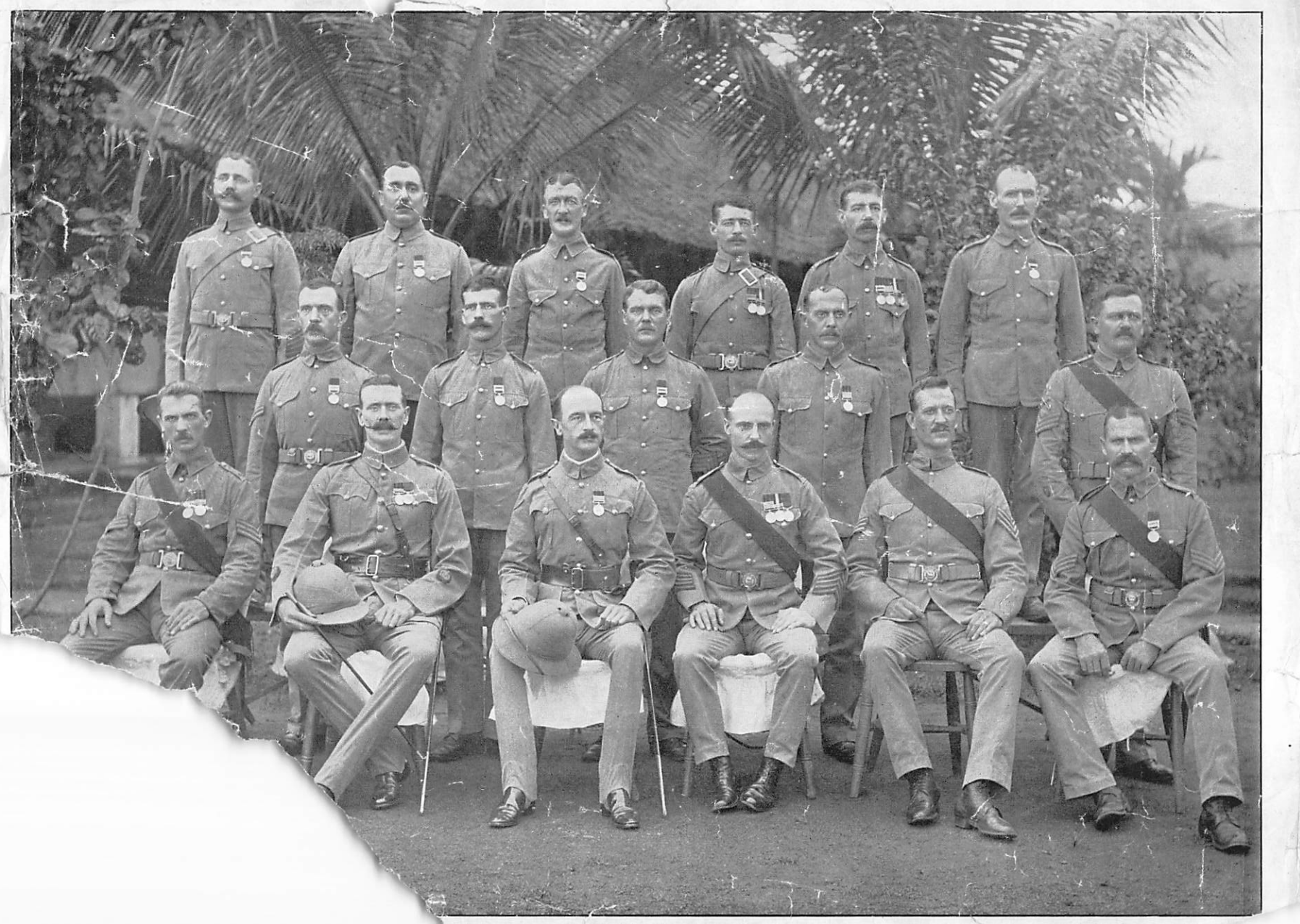
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## G. C. B. CUP COMPETITION.

Rank and Name	Marks		Total
	Figure	Plates	
Sergeant Sayer ... ..	8	2	10
C'r-S'gt. Mantle ... ..	8	1	9
Sergeant Croucher ... ..	4	3	7
" Innes ... ..	4	2	6
" Stock ... ..	4	2	6
" King ... ..	4	2	6
" Gale ... ..	4	2	6
S'gt-D'r Verlander ... ..	4	2	6
C.-S. I.M. Ainge ... ..	4	2	6
Sergeant Ralph ... ..	6	—	6
" Burton ... ..	4	1	5
" Wall ... ..	2	3	5
" Martin, R. ... ..	4	1	5
" Gambrell ... ..	4	1	5
" Price ... ..	2	3	5
B'd-S'gt. White ... ..	4	1	5
C'r-S'gt. Carter ... ..	2	2	4
" Jeffrey ... ..	2	2	4
Sergeant Cunningham ... ..	2	2	4
" Swendell ... ..	2	2	4
" Inglis ... ..	4	—	4
" Smith ... ..	2	2	4
" Kesby, T. ... ..	2	2	4
C'r-S'gt. Hall ... ..	2	1	3
Sergeant Kesby, W. ... ..	2	1	3
C'r-S'gt. Nesbit ... ..	—	3	3
O.-M.-S. Keeler ... ..	2	1	3
A'r-S'gt. Wilson ... ..	2	—	2
C'r-S'gt. Read ... ..	2	—	2
Sergeant Mason ... ..	—	1	1
C'r-S'gt. Brady ... ..	—	1	1
B'd-M'r. Elvin, G. W. ... ..	—	1	1
Sergeant Martin, W. K. ... ..	—	1	1
" Holloway ... ..	—	—	0
" Pigott ... ..	—	—	0
" Kite ... ..	—	—	0

## RECRUITS' TEAM RACE.

This event was held to try and discover a few good sprinters from the younger ranks.

We had teams of six from each company, competitors to have under 1½ years' service on August 1st. Distance 440 yards.

In the first round we had eight heats, six in each heat, no heat containing more than one man of any company. In the first round three men of each heat entered the next round, and also gained one point for their team. The second round was the same, except that two points were awarded, and in the semi-finals the first three men in each entered the final and gained three points for their team, so that we had six competitors left in the final, in which the winner gained six points, the second man five points, and so on down to the last man, who gained one point for his team.

The run was very successful, some very promising runners being discovered.

The semi-finals and final were held on the 1st August, those to qualify for the semi-finals being Privates Wells, A Company; Tidbury, Stimson, and Blewitt, C Company; Knight and Plant, E Company; Lance-Corporals Williams and Lloyd, F Company; Chatfield, Pollard, Durham, and Giles, G Company.

Both of the semi-finals produced good running,

although one or two reserved themselves for the final.

The final was a most interesting race, all the competitors getting off well. Pollard took the lead, followed closely by Tidbury, but at the first corner six yards would have covered the lot. At half way Durham tried to take the lead, whilst Williams was seen to improve his position. With only 100 yards to go it appeared to be a race between Pollard and Tidbury, but Lance-Corporal Williams running a well-judged race, came with a fine sprint in the last 40 yards, and won by a yard from Pollard, scarcely that distance separating Tidbury, who was third; Durham was fourth, Wells fifth, and Giles sixth.

G Company easily won the team prize, with F Company second.

On the same evening between the semi-finals and final we held a mile handicap, open to the Battalion. This is the first handicap we have held in the Battalion, and its success certainly encourages a repetition. The handicappers were Captain F. S. Reeves, Lieutenant T. Wheeler, and Sergeant H. Sayer. Twenty-three entries were received, the scratch man, of course, being Private Cross, C Company, whilst the limit men received 130 yards start. Cross had to concede 60 yards to his nearest man, who was Lance-Corporal Cowlard, whilst men like Dennis and Spice received 65 and 70 yards respectively.

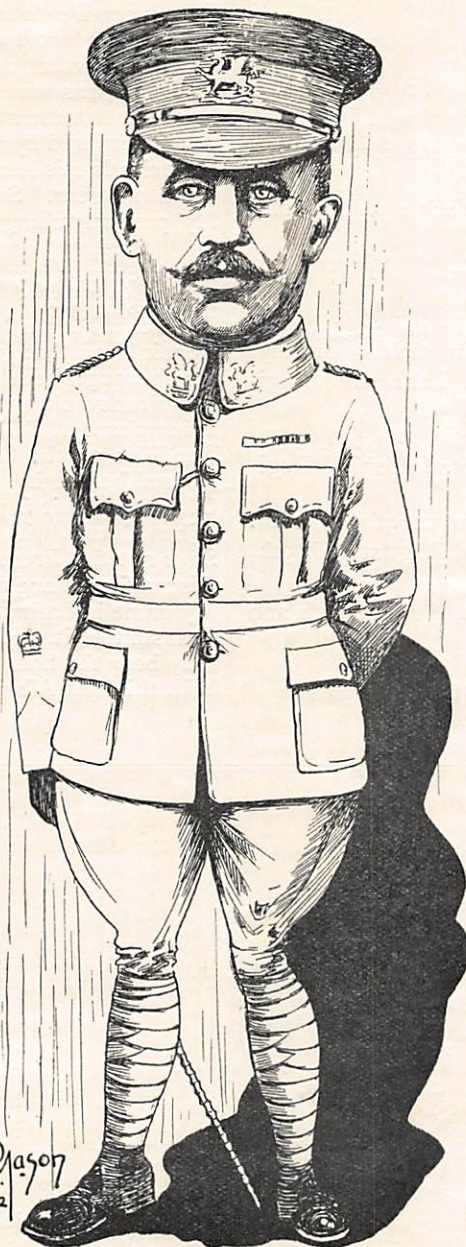
The winner turned up in Private Read, F Company, who received 100 yards start. Read is one of last year's cross-country team, and would perhaps do better if he trained more. The second man was Lance-Corporal Cowlard, who was only three yards away. Cross appeared to be third, but was piped on the post by Mitchell, H Company, 100 yards start. The course was rather crowded, and Cross thought he had passed the winning post, so eased up, and was beaten by Mitchell for third prize.

## F COMPANY NOTES.

Being too late last month I must say a few words this month concerning the Company's doings. First of all, we have done exceedingly well in athletics. During the last few months, for instance, we have tied with C Company for first place as best Athletic Company, and after a lapse of six years we regained the tug-of-war cup by beating H Company in the final. We must thank Corporals Jones, Mills, Cooper, and Cowlard for their splendid running at the sports. We turned out a recruits' relay team, and am pleased to say won it, mainly by the splendid running of Williams and Lloyd, of whom we shall hear a great deal in the future. Stick to it, Williams. We should like to see a few more youngsters out on the green of a night training for the coming season. For the benefit of other Companies we have started training our bayonet-fighting team, and have found quite an army of young blood. Up to the present we lead C Company by two points, but as C Troop play A in the final for the Cricket Shield they can tie with us by beating A. We wish

## Regimental Notabilities.—No. 10.

Sergt.-Major T. COOK.



“Now, steady! Come on, let me hear 'em sharp!  
As you were! We'll just try that once more!”  
He'd steadiness coax out of grass in a wind,  
He's one of the best you could anywhere find;  
He'll drill 'em, no matter how raw.

C Troop the best of luck. I must now conclude, as we are busy preparing for our holiday up the hills (Kilbride).  
G. S.

### Contemporaries.

The following contemporaries have been received, for which the Editor begs to thank the senders:—

- “Nongqai” (Natal Mounted Police), August.
- “Light Bob Gazette” (Somerset Light Infantry).
- “St. George’s Gazette (Northumberland Fusiliers), July.
- “The Tiger and The Rose” (York and Lancaster Regiment), August.
- “Queen’s Own Gazette” (Royal West Kent Regiment), August.
- “Kentish Express and Ashford News.”
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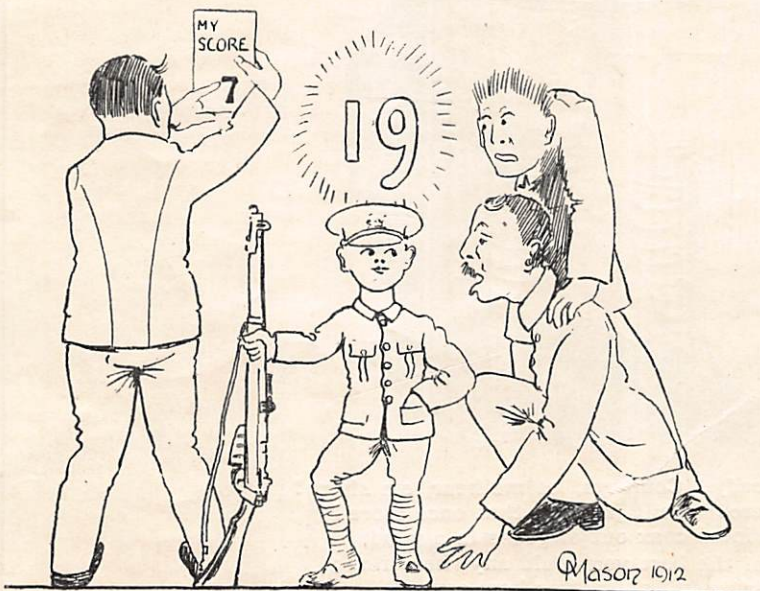
Mr. W. Prior, to December, 1912.

## The Standard Bearer of the Buffs.

Steep is the soldier’s path; nor are the heights  
Of glory to be won without long toil  
And arduous efforts of enduring hope;  
Save when Death takes the aspirant by the hand,  
And cutting short the work of years, at once  
Lifts him to that conspicuous eminence.  
Such fate was mine. The Standard of the Buffs  
I bore at Albuhera, and on that day  
When, covered by a shower, and fatally  
For friends misdeem’d, the Polish lancers fell  
Upon our rear. Surrounding me, they claim’d  
My precious charge. “Not without life!” I  
cried,

And life was given for immortality.  
The flag which to my heart I held, when wet  
With that heart’s blood, was soon victoriously  
Regain’d on that great day. In former times  
Marlborough beheld it borne at Ramillies;  
For Brunswick and for liberty it waved  
Triumphant at Culloden; and hath seen  
The lilies on the Carribbean shores  
Abased before it. Then, too, in the front  
Of battle did it flap exultingly,  
When Douro, with its wide stream interposed,  
Save not the French invaders from attack,  
Discomfiture, and ignominious rout.  
My name is Latham; undisgraced have I  
Transmitted it. He who in days to come  
May bear the honour’d banner to the field,  
Will think of Albuhera and of me.

ROBERT SOUTHEY.



### Things We Hear.

That Boy Perry, aged 14, of the 1st Battalion, fired five rounds at 200 and at 500 yards, and scored 15 and 19 points respectively at those ranges, and that he then handled a rifle for the first time in his life. Bravo! Perry.

That the blanc-mange and jelly at Kilbride was spoilt for the WANT of sufficient sugar.

That a little powder of some sort or other might have made a difference.

## "The Last Post."

### Funeral of the late Captain Cumber.

The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon, at Highland Road Cemetery, Southsea, of Captain Herbert Charles Cumber, late of The Buffs (3rd East Kent Regiment), whose death took place at his residence, 23 Andover Road, Southsea. The deceased officer passed peacefully away on July 27th, at the age of 61. He had seen plenty of active service during the period between his joining the Army and his retirement in 1903. His baptism of fire took place during the Perak Expedition in 1875-6. For this service he received the medal and clasp. He also served with the Chitral Relief Force in 1895, thereby gaining another medal and clasp. An additional bar was granted him for being a member of the Malakand Field Force during 1897-8. The late Captain also fought for his country in the Boer War of 1900-2, when his engagements included Cape Colony, Orange River Colony, and the Transvaal. A well-merited distinction was gained during this period of his service, he being mentioned in despatches in "The London Gazette" of September 10th, 1901. The Queen's medal with three clasps and the King's with two were also added to his battle honours. The South African War was the last he saw of active service, and he retired from the Army in 1903. He then joined the Veteran Corps, and later, on its inception, the National Reserve, No. 5 Company of which he commanded. His kind manner and genial disposition endeared him to all, and much sympathy is felt for his relatives.

The funeral on July 31st was of a semi-military character. The short service at St. Swithun's R.C. Church was conducted by the Rev. Father I. J. T. Kuner, assisted by the Rev. MacSweeney. As the coffin was leaving the edifice, borne by Colour-Sergeants Cole and Crockett and Sergeants Barber, Fearn, Hansbrow, and Fry, of the Gloucestershire Regiment, the organist played Chopin's Funeral March. The coffin, covered with the Union Jack, on which was placed the deceased officer's sword, helmet and medals, was placed on the waiting gun-carriage, supplied by the 5th Company of the Royal Field Artillery. Headed by the firing party from No. 5 Company of the Portsmouth Battalion of the National Reserve, under Major Ralston, and their band, the cortege moved off to the solemn strains of Beethoven's "March

Funebre," towards Highland Road Cemetery. The entry into that ground was to the impressive strains of Chopin's "Funeral March." The Revs. Kuner and MacSweeney again conducted the ritual at the graveside. The firing party then fired the usual three volleys, and the buglers, also supplied by the Gloucestershire Regiment, sounded the "Last Post."

The chief mourner was Miss Cumber (daughter), and there were also present Major-General R. Kekewich (Colonel-in-Chief of The Buffs), Colonel Graves (of The Buffs), Major G. Thomas, Captain Benington, Major Cook, Major Johnstone, Colonel Penno, Captain Greatorex, Major Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Redfern, Captain Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Brandram, Major Hurst, Captain W. Walker, Captain Berry, Captain Land, Major and Mrs. Hitching, Captain and Mrs. Walker, Mr. D. Griffin, Mr. Chaloner, Mr. Cracknell, Lieutenant Winter, Captain Barton, Mrs. Edwardes, Major Moran, Captain Spencer Hall, Captain Whitehorn, Mr. S. M. Carroll.

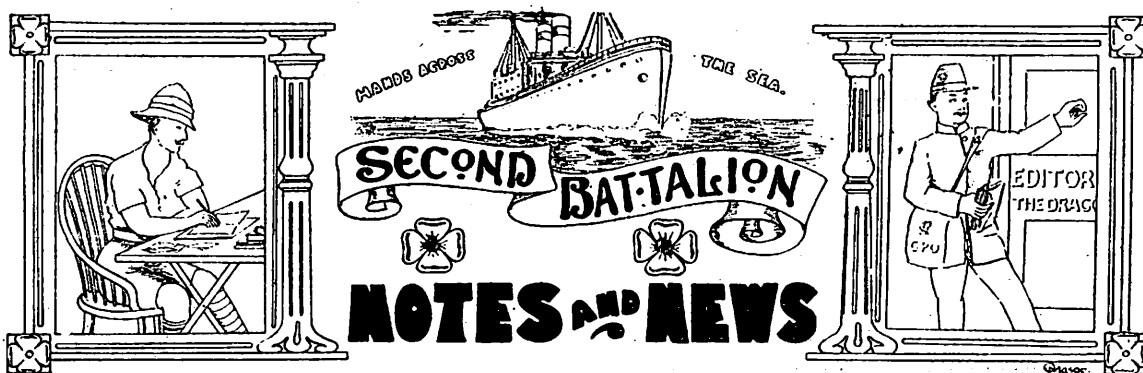
Among the moderate attendance of the National Reserve were several Crimean and Mutiny veterans, including Mr. W. Turner, late Sergeant R.M.L.I.; Mr. Henry Lammas, R.N.; Mr. Waugh, R.N.; Mr. Israel Harding, V.C., R.N.; Mr. G. Melville, late 49th Royal Berkshire Regiment, and Mr. Dungey, Indian Ordnance.

There also attended Electrician Rees, R.N., late of The Buffs, and Colour-Sergeant Hagon, also late of the 3rd East Kent Regiment. Bandmaster Swatton was in charge of the band.

The contributors of floral tributes were Commander and Mrs. Ernest Betts, Major and Mrs. Malcome Dundas, Captain and Mrs. Walker, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Leon, Mr. and Mrs. Alsen, Major and Mrs. Anderson and Mammie, Captain and Mrs. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Redfern and Basil, Mr. and Mrs. Cracknell and family, Mrs. and Miss Clinch, Mrs. Lamon and Mrs. Simons and family, Major Thomas and family, Officers of The Buffs' Depot, Aileen and Patsey Madden, Captain and Mrs. Berry, Major and Mrs. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Chaloner, Commander and Mrs. Bell Ayers, Mrs. Fowler and family, Commander and Mrs. Oscar Jameson, Mr. Arthur Herbert, Mr. and Mrs. Edwardes, Major and Mrs. Duke. "His devoted children," Captain Greatwood, Lieutenant and Mrs. W. B. Hume, Major and Mrs. Hurst and family, Mr. and Mrs. Griffen and family, his Widow (Mrs. Cumber), and the Rev. Skeene.

The funeral arrangements were in the hands of Mr. E. W. Cracknell, of Portsea.—"Portsmouth Times."





#### PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

- 6397 Sergeant W. Edwards, promoted Colour-Sergeant, 2-4-12.  
 7619 Lance-Sergeant White, promoted Sergeant, 2-4-12.  
 8083 Corporal Guest, appointed Paid Lance-Sergeant, 4-3-12.  
 8112 Corporal Dumbleton, appointed Paid Lance-Sergeant, 2-4-12.  
 8385 Lance-Corporal Davis, promoted Full Corporal, 2-4-12.  
 8163 Lance-Corporal Fuller, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 1-1-12.  
 7690 Lance-Corporal Gard, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 10-1-12.  
 7957 Lance-Corporal Mannering, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 24-1-12.  
 8973 Lance-Corporal Loram, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 24-2-12.  
 8405 Lance-Corporal Button, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 4-3-12.  
 8861 Lance-Corporal Howlett, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 2-4-12.  
 7792 Lance-Corporal Crawley, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 16-4-12.  
 9061 Lance-Corporal Relf, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 20-4-12.  
 9075 Lance-Corporal Russell, appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 1-5-12.

#### INCREASE.

Boy Arthur Ernest Smith (son of Quartermaster-Sergeant E. Smith) attested for the Battalion, 1-6-12.

#### ARRIVALS.

The following have returned off furlough to England, 26-5-12:—Colour-Sergeant Scath and wife, Sergeant Port and wife, Sergeant Mantle, Sergeant Dowling, Sergeant Cartér, Corporal Kirk, Corporal Stroud.

#### RE-ENGAGEMENT.

Sergeant-Drummer Andrews re-engaged to complete 21 years with The Buffs, 5-6-12.

6474 Corporal H. Hunt has left the Battalion and secured a snug billet on the Rubber Estate at Batu Behar. We wish him luck.

#### KING'S BIRTHDAY IN SINGAPORE.

The parade took place on the racecourse. The Battalion paraded 760 strong at 5.15 a.m. at Tanglin and marched to the racecourse, about  $3\frac{1}{4}$  miles away. The morning was fine but rather warm, so that on arrival the khaki uniform was wet through with perspiration. The following troops were assembled at the racecourse:—Naval contingent, including Marines from H.M.S. "Minotaur," 78th Company R.G.A., 80th Company R.G.A., 41st Company R.E., Hong Kong and Singapore Artillery, 2nd Battalion The Buffs, 3rd Regiment of Brahmmins, and Singapore Volunteers.

The troops were formed up and inspected by Major-General T. E. Stephenson at 7 a.m. after the arrival of His Excellency the Governor, Sir Arthur Young, and the Royal Salute was given. The troops fired a feu de joie, and then formed up for the march past, reforming into line of quarter columns and advanced in review order, under the command of General Stephenson, after which the troops marched home to their quarters, the Royal Marines, "Young Buffs," gaily stepping out to the tune, "Fall in and follow me." The same day the H.M.S. "Minotaur" left for China.

The following letter was received from His Excellency the Governor by the General Officer Commanding:—

"I desire on behalf of the Colony to record its thanks for the Review that took place in honour of His Majesty the King's Birthday. The Review was impressive, and was carried out from first to last without a hitch. The march past of the Marines and the two regiments, The Buffs and 3rd Brahmmins, was excellent, and the Colony was very fortunate in having a contingent from the flagship of the China Fleet to represent the Navy. It is also very gratifying to the Colony that there was such a large turn-out of the Volunteers, and I trust you will express to Colonel Derrick my appreciation of this fact."

#### SILVER BUGLE COMPETITION.

The Silver Bugle Competition was carried out on 10th June, and Drummer Stevens, junior, awarded the winner. This is the third time in succession that Stevens has won this competition.

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## EMPIRE CUP SHOOTING COMPETITION.

The above competition was fixed at Normanton, Singapore, on the 24th May. The team consisted of two officers, three Sergeants, and thirty-six rank and file. The team are to be congratulated on taking a place amongst the Prize Winners in spite of a little bad luck in the second stage of the competition. Highest points scored—105 for each man.

Ten best scores—Private Howland, 105; Private Hutchison, 105; Lance-Corporal Pay, 101; Corporal Standford, 97; Private Taylor, 96; Private Pearce, 89; Second Lieutenant Buttanshaw, 87; Private Cheeseman, 83; Private Stedman, 83; Private King, 83. Total points of team—2,827.

## THE WARREN SHIELD FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

(Inter-Company.—Knock-out.)

Eleven teams entered—Eight Companies of The Buffs, two Companies of the Royal Garrison Artillery, and one Company of Royal Engineers.

By the results below the Shield is again held by the Battalion.

First Round.—D Company beat 78th Company, R.G.A., by 2 goals to 0.

E Company beat B Company by 4 goals to 1.

F Company beat A Company by 2 goals to 0.

Remainder byes.

Second Round.—E Company beat D Company after a draw of one all by 3 goals to nil.

H Company beat G Company after a draw of 0—0 by 2 goals to 1.

C Company beat 80th Company, R.G.A., at Blakan Mati by 2 goals to 0.

F Company beat Royal Engineers after two drawn games. The first match was played at Tanglin, and after a well-contested game ended in a draw—no goals scored.

F Company then travelled to Pulo Brani and met the Royal Engineers again. This match, after playing extra time, also finished up a draw, each team scoring a goal.

The next replay it was decided should take place on the Esplanade in Singapore, the S.C.C. kindly lending their ground for the occasion.

F Company again travelled quite confident and full of dash. Something had to be done this time. Meeting the Royal Engineers F Company won the toss, and a start was made at 5 p.m. Staff-Sergeant Farrar, A.O.C., was the referee. F Company was the first to attack, and pressing the Engineers gained a corner. This, taken by Collins, F Company, was centred, where the wily Taylor, centre forward, of F Company, although watched, found the net for F Company. The game was fast throughout, and at half-time F Company was leading by 1 goal to nil. The game being resumed, F Company scored again within five minutes. At this time things looked rosy. The Royal Engineers then vigorously attacked, and in a scrimmage near F Company's goal secured a penalty from Hambrook,

F Company's left back. This penalty was missed, the Royal Engineers shooting wild, amidst great shouts from the onlookers. F Company, again on the move, were soon in the vicinity of the Royal Engineers' goal, and their goalie was called upon to save several times. The ball was again in F Company's half of the field, and here a slight error of "hands" brought another penalty for the R.E.'s. This time by a cunning low shot they beat F Company's goalie (Bailey) about two minutes from time. F Company was determined on the start again, and by their good defence prevented the Royal Engineers from scoring again. A well-contested and hard-fought game resulted in a win for F Company by 2 goals to 1.

E Company meets F Company and H Company meets C Company in the semi-final.

## BILLIARDS.

## SERGEANTS v. CORPORALS.

The Sergeants were defeated by 71, the Corporals showing good improvement. A few Grays and Roberts are expected.

Sergeants—Sergeant-Master-Tailor O'Dowd, 250; Sergeant Lancaster, 250; Sergeant Skeet, 231; Colour-Sergeant Webb, 250; Colour-Sergeant Jeffery, 224; Colour-Sergeant Dray, 220; Sergeant Gregory, 193; Sergeant Hill, 238; Sergeant Follett, 250; Sergeant Port, 195; Sergeant Link, 214; Sergeant White, 227. Total, 2,742.

Corporals—Lance-Corporal Durham, 211; Corporal Terrell, 189; Lance-Corporal Skinner, 250; Lance-Corporal Bailey, 193; Corporal W. G. Smith, 250; Lance-Corporal Moon, 250; Corporal Guest, 250; Lance-Corporal Relf, 250; Lance-Corporal Featherstone, 220; Corporal Austin, 250; Lance-Corporal Marsh, 250; Lance-Corporal Wynder, 250. Total, 2,813.

## WATER POLO.

## BUFFS. v. SWIMMING CLUB.

A polo team from The Buffs visited the Swimming Club yesterday and beat the latter's team by three goals to nil. The soldiers played a dashing game and worked well in combination, while the club team, collectively, showed very poor form. The forwards undoubtedly played with individual skill except when it came to shooting for goal, but there was no defence to speak of and the goal-keeper was continuously at the mercy of the Buffs' forwards. Polo at the Swimming Club does not appear to be taken as seriously nowadays, one fancies, as it was last year.—"Straits Times," 17/6/12.

The S. C. S. entertained The Buffs at Katong yesterday morning when a polo match was played. The Buffs brought over a strong team, and several changes in the home side did not tend to strengthen them. In the first half the military scored three

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goals, the Club combination being very poor. A shuffling of the side improved matters slightly in the second half and no further goals were added, leaving the score 3-0.—“Singapore Free Press,” 17/6/12.

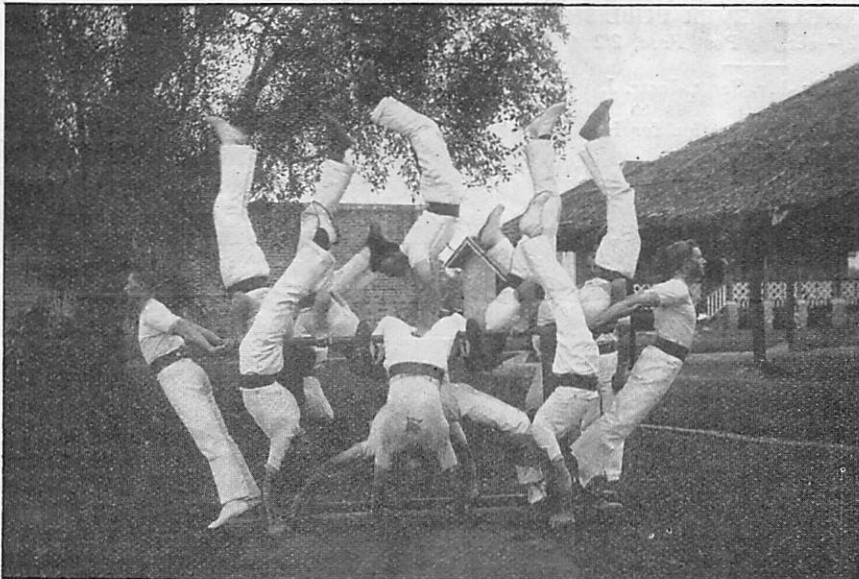
On Sunday, June 16th, Water Polo and Swimming teams to represent the Battalion journeyed to Katong to compete against similar teams of the Singapore Swimming Club.

The Water Polo Team was Barrand, MacMahon, Westacott, Gibbons, Davis, Stroud, Kennings.

This team was purposely picked from A and G Companies on account of those Companies having only lately returned from four days' Training Camps at Pulalu Brani and Blakan Mati respectively, where they had had an opportunity to indulge in

In the second half, although the S. S. C. attempted to force the game a bit, they were unable to effect a score, Barrand only being called upon to save twice, which he successfully accomplished in his usual style. The S. S. C. goal was visited in turn, their goalie twice conceding a corner; Gibbons missed the bottom corner of the goal by inches. Davis and Kennings, when in quite at close quarters, shot over the cross-bar, and the game finished with The Buffs team crowding their opponents' area. Score: The Buffs, 3 goals; S. S. C., nil. Mac.

The swimming match was waived, some of the Club swimmers pleading indisposition, or possibly did not care to chance losing their reputation by a probable defeat.



**2nd Bn. "THE BUFFS."**  
The "Waverley" Tableau, by Amateur Gymnastic Troupe.  
Regimental Sports, 16th June, 1912.

sea-water bathing, and consequently were in slightly better form than their less fortunate natation-loving comrades, who have to be content with the "showers" at Tanglin. The match started at 10.30 a.m., rather hot, and the tide a trifle strong, but The Buffs team immediately became the aggressors and attacked their opponents' goal with a vengeance, with a result that two minutes after the start they were one goal up, Stroud scoring. At the re-commencement, although the S. S. C. secured the ball from the throw-in, they were soon relieved and a second goal registered, Kennings doing the needful with a shot that caused the back upright of the goal to collapse. A third goal was netted by Stroud just before half-time was blown.

Thus ended another of our enjoyable evenings at Tanglin. Our next event is the Corporals' Dance on the 19th. "What Oh," says Cabby, when "Frenchie" had hold of the rope. Here's luck! VERS.

#### SINGAPORE RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Twelfth Annual Meeting took place in May and June, and of the events opened to the regular troops the following were won by the Battalion:—

Roberts' Snap Shooting Competition:—Team: Competition—First Prize, H Company, second team; Second Prize, F Company, second team.

Attack Competition:—First Prize. Team—Sergeant Link, Corporal Standford, Lance-Corporal Jones, Private Howland.

## CORPORALS' SMOKING CONCERT.

The Corporals held a Smoking Concert in the Corporals' Mess on Saturday, 8th June, some say to celebrate their seventh year abroad; others say to shake off the "Te Dappa" feeling and get a move on. Anyway the hard-working committee are congratulated for the splendid evening's enjoyment. The Mess Room was very prettily decorated with flags, shields, trophies, palms, etc. Many of the officers were present; also a large number of civilian friends, including Messrs. Emptage and Cowan, late Corporals of the Battalion, these having secured snug billets in Singapore. The former is at present public hangman at the Criminal Prison. Punctually at 8 p.m. on the tap from the chairman, Sergeant-Major Birrell, the following programme commenced:—

1. Overture, Pianist.
2. Opening Chorus, "Ye Olde Corporals' Mess,"  
Lance-Corporal Munn.
3. Song, selected, Corporal Bosworth.
4. Song, selected, Lance-Corporal Rope.
5. Song, selected, Lance-Corporal Flynn.
6. Song, "Mona," Lance Corporal Duckworth.
7. Song, "Call round on Sunday,"  
Lance-Corporal Taylor.
8. Song (comic), selected, Mr. Peate.
9. Song, "Somewhere," Lance Corporal Howlett.
10. Song, "One touch of Nature," Mr. Rand.
11. Song, selected, Lance-Corporal E. Petts.
12. Song and Dance, Mr. A. L. Howell.
13. Selection, Pianist.
14. Song (comic), "I've got a motto,"  
Lance-Corporal Munn.
15. Song (comic), "They're all single by the  
Seaside," Lance-Corporal Tester.
16. Song, "The Midnight Express,"  
Corporal Terrell.
17. Song (comic) selected, Mr. Taylor.
18. Song, selected, Lance-Corporal Manning.
19. Song and Dance, Lance-Corporal Rope.
20. Song, selected, Mr. Sergeant.
21. Song (comic), selected, Mr. Peate.
22. Song, "Sunny Tennessee," Mr. Rand.
23. Song, selected, Corporal Bosworth.
24. Song, selected, Lance-Corporal Reeve.  
"God Save the King."

## TUG-OF-WAR.—WARREN SHIELD.

(Teams of 10 men; weight, 110st.; one pull all over.)

This competition is very keen this year. The Battalion entered eight teams and R.G.A. two teams, and as H Company, The Buffs, secured this trophy last year from the R.G.A., who had had it in their possession for sixteen years, we hope to gain it this year also.

The competition up to date stands:—

E Company, The Buffs, pulled 80th Company, R.G.A., at Fort Canning on the 22nd June, E Company won. Time, 4½ minutes.

H Company pulled C Company, The Buffs, at Tanglin. H Company won.

Second Round—A Company pulled G Company at Tanglin. A Company won. Time, 4 minutes.

D Company pulled B Company. D Company won. Time, 5½ minutes.

H Company pulled E Company. H Company won. Teams left in—78th Company, R.G.A., v. F Company; H Company v. A Company and D Company.

We look forward for either H, A, D, or F Company to do their best. All are in training.

## MACDOUGAL CUP.—POLO.

Buffs v. Sclangor.—Colonel Geddes, Captain Power, Lieutenant Scarlett, and Lieutenant Sill represented the regiment. Although we lost by 6 goals to 3 the game was fast throughout. Our ponies were quite strange on the hard ground at this place. Better luck next time.

Singapore v. Sclangor.—The Singapore team also met with a disaster at the hands of Sclangor, and were beaten by 7 goals to 2. So to get the "Mac" Cup back to Singapore things will have to improve. The climate at this place is much cooler and refreshing, and all looked quite fit on their return.

On the 24th June several of our officers journeyed up the States to Kuala, Lumpur, and Sclangor for the races and polo.

H Company is leading in the Cricket League, having won in the first six matches.

From Penang we hear that Sergeant Hills, Acting-Sergeant-Major to Penang Volunteers, is doing well in the Penang Rifle Meeting, having cleared three firsts, one second. He has been selected to shoot in the Interport Shooting Competition.

From Kuala Lumpur Sergeant "Chilly" Laing, Acting-Sergeant-Major Malay States Volunteers, writes:—"Still doing well, having finished camp. Now busy at musketry; kindest regards to all comrades."

From Ipoh Sergeant "Smudger" Smith, Acting-Sergeant-Major, writes:—"Plenty of work. Have been out on strike duty with Volunteers; on one occasion compelled to clear the mines and village of Chinese rebels with ball; several killed in scrimmage. All is now quiet; queue cutting still going on. Remember me to all old chums.—Yours, etc., Sergeant H. J. Smith."

## CROSS-COUNTRY RUN FOR JUNE.

The course selected was rather a difficult one, from Tanglin football ground through the jungle to Normanton Barracks, home via Ayer, Rajah Road and Buona Vista Road—distance about six miles. The course through the jungle had to be traversed at

places in Indian file, and many who tried to pass one another very soon found themselves bogged. Private Packman, E Company, was again first home. followed closely by Corporal Rosam, E Company. Packman has secured first place six times this year. G Company again brought off the team prize, having the first six home in the following order, third, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth. E Company second place in team prize. Forty-eight started and finished.

#### C COMPANY NOTES.

Dear Editor—The Company is back from Normanton, where we did well. We attained an average of 108 and we are the best in the Battalion, with one more Company to fire (G Company), so it is likely we shall keep our old place (top sides); anyway we hope so. Private Wigg attained Company shot with an excellent score of 164. This is the second year he has been Company shot, and it remains with the next Company to decide whether he wears the laurels around them. We had plenty of sport over there, and very keen were some of the six-a-side competitions, with "Bumper" again to the front.

CORPORAL READ.

#### ACCIDENTAL DEATH OF 9118 PRIVATE TYLER, H COMPANY SECOND BATTALION THE BUFFS.

Private Tyler, with several comrades, proceeded to Tanjong Katong on Saturday, 25th May, with a picnic party. They were indulging in sea-bathing when Private Tyler met with a deplorable accident which terminated fatally. Tyler had taken a header in the sea, only a few feet deep, and as the water was less than his own height, he must have struck his head against the hard bottom. As he did not rise to the surface, some alarm was caused to those on the beach, who immediately rushed to his assistance, to find him unconscious under the water. He was brought to the beach, and every effort made to restore consciousness, but without avail. Dr. Van Rijn, the nearest doctor to the scene, was telephoned for, and on his arrival found Tyler had severely fractured the vertebrae of the neck, and the spinal cord damaged. Poor Tyler was entirely paralysed; he was hastily sent to Tanglin Hospital. He recovered consciousness for a short time, but succumbed to his severe injuries the following day. Private Tyler had served with the Second Battalion about two years, joining us at Hong Kong, and was a keen, smart young soldier. He was buried with full military honours on Monday. Our deepest sympathy goes to his relatives in England.

Archibald—"I hear that you have fallen out with your young lady?"

Clarence—"Yes. I found out that she had a wooden leg, so I broke it off."

## A Female Soldier.

[The following account of the adventures of a woman masquerading as a soldier has reached our hands, and we publish it with the hope that our readers may find it interesting—Editor].

Hannah Snell, born in the City of Worcester in the year of Our Lord, 1723, and who took upon her the name of James Gray, maketh oath of faith, that she, this deponent, served His Majesty, King George, as a soldier and sailor from the 25th November, 1745 to the 9th day of this inst., June, and entered herself as a Marine in Captain Graham's Company in Colonel Fraser's Regiment, went on board the "Swallow," His Majesty's Sloop of War, to the East Indies, belonging to Admiral Boscawen's Squadron, where this deponent was present at the siege of Pondicherry, and all other sieges during that expedition, in which she received twelve wounds, some of which were dangerous; was put into hospital for the cure of the same, and returned to England on the "Feltham" Man of War, Captain Lloyd, Commander, without discovery of her sex.

Sworn before the Lord Mayor. This affidavit concludes with appointing R. Walker to print her story.

"On the 24th she presented a petition to His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, who put her on the King's list for pension of £30 a year for life."—"The Gentleman's Magazine," June, 1750.

"Hannah Snell was born in Fryer Street, Worcester, April, 1723. Her father was a Hosier and Dyer, and son of Lieutenant Snell, who was at the taking of Namure, in the reign of King William, and afterwards served in Queen Anne's Wars.

When her Father and Mother, who, by their industry, brought up three sons and six daughters, died, Hannah set out for London, where she arrived on Christmas Day, 1740, and resided for some time with her Sister, who had married one Gray, a carpenter, and lived at Wapping. Here she became acquainted with James Summs, a Dutch Sailor, to whom she was married in 1743, but he treated her with great inhumanity, and left her when seven months old with child, which dying at six months old, she decently buried it. She put on a suit of her

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Brother-in-law's apparel on November 23rd, 1745; left her sister without communicating her design, and went to Coventry, where she enlisted herself in Guise's Regiment of Foot, and marched with it to Carlisle.

"About this period 'Hannah' incurred the dislike of a Sergeant Davis who, out of spite, accused her of neglect of duty to the Commanding Officer, and she was sentenced to receive 600 lashes, 500 she did receive, having her hands tied up to the Castle Gates, but by the intercession of some of the officers the other 100 were remitted.

Soon after the whipping a recruit was brought to the Regiment who had seen her at her sister's, and by whom she feared she would be known.

This circumstance, with the ill-treatment which she still received from the Sergeant, induced her to desert; and a friend having furnished her with some money, she set out on foot for Portsmouth, and exchanged clothes with some people near Carlisle. At Portsmouth she joined 'Fraser's Marines,' and a draft being made for Boscawen's Fleet, she, as one of them, went on board the "Swallow" Sloop (Captain Rosier).

Lieutenant Weygate, of the Marines, observing Hannah to be expert in washing and dressing victuals, took her into the officers' Mess. She was regarded as a boy, and in case of an engagement, her station was on the Quarter Deck, to fight at small arms, and she was also obliged to keep watch every four hours, night and day, and frequently to go aloft. The "Swallow" being in great distress in two violent storms, Hannah worked at the pumps in her turn, and the ship at last putting into Gibraltar, she there attended Lieutenant Weygate, at his lodgings, during a dangerous illness.

From Gibraltar they proceeded to the Mad-eiras and the Cape of Good Hope. During the passage they were reduced to short allowance, and but a pint of water a day. Here they joined the Admiral in the "Namure" and the rest of the Fleet, which proceeded on their expedi-

tion, and Hannah soon after signalised herself at the attempt on the Island of St. Mauritius.

From St. Mauritius they sailed to St. David's, when Hannah, with the rest of the Marines, joined the English Army, that was encamped after a march of three weeks, before Aria, Coupan, which was to be stormed, if a shell had not blown up the magazine, and obliged the besieged to abandon it. They proceeded to Pondicherry, before which they lay eleven weeks, and were a great part of that time up to their waists in water, without bread, and exposed to a terrible fire from the Forts.

An attack was eventually made in which Hannah fired thirty-seven rounds, received a ball in the groin, six wounds in one leg, and five in the other.

The siege being over, she was sent to the Hospital at Cuddylorum, to have her wounds dressed; she extracted the ball herself, after she had endured most violent pains for two days, in three months she recovered, and was put on board the "Tartar," and when the fleet came from Madras, was turned over to the "Feltham," (Captain Lloyd), with whom she sailed to Bombay. Here, the Captain being on shore, one night on her watch, Mr. Allen, who had command of the ship, desired her to sing. She excused herself on not being well, but he absolutely commanded her to sing. She absolutely refused, alleging that to sing was no part of a soldier's duty, and that he had no authority to require it. He, fond to show his power, caused Hannah to lie in irons five days, and to receive a dozen lashes at the gangway, and sent her to the fore-top mast head for four hours. This injustice did not, however, go unpunished, for as they were unrigging the ship, after her arrival in England, one of the sailors let a block fall on his head, which hurt him greatly, and endangered his life.

"She was on board the "Feltham" in the hurricane, in which the "Namure," the "Pembroke," and other ships were lost, and coming to Lisbon, on her return, she often went on shore with the men, and entered readily into schemes of pleasure, to prevent suspicion.

She was at a party that went to an Irish house to drink wine. At the door of this house was sitting an English sailor, who had lately come from Genoa in a Dutch ship, and was known to some of Hannah's company. This man was taken into the party, and each one beginning to relate his experiences and adventures, Hannah enquired if he knew one Summs, a Dutchman; the stranger immediately replied he knew him well, and that he was executed at Genoa, for giving a mortal stab with a knife to a Genoese; that he visited him in prison, where he expressed great remorse for ill-treating his wife whom he left in England. Hannah heard

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his revelation without displaying any extraordinary emotion, and soon after she arrived in Portsmouth. Here she fell in with an old female friend she had known at Carlisle. This girl was single, and remembering Hannah, would have married her; as she did not choose to discover herself, nor rudely refuse the favour, she deferred it till she had been to London and received her money. She accordingly came to London soon afterwards, and, when in company with her fellow adventurers, after receiving their pay, and she was about to part with them for ever, she discovered her sex. That they might be witnesses to the truth of her adventures, one of them immediately offered her marriage, which she refused.

"She wears man's clothes, a laced hat and cockade, sword and ruffles, and is not to alter her military dress until further orders from the Duke.

For a supply of ready money she has been induced to sing a song, and to perform the military exercise at Goodman's Field-Wells, which is alluded to in the conclusion of the following verses published about her:  
 "Hannah in breeks, behaved so well  
 That none of her softer sex could tell.

\* \* \*

Twelve wounds; 'twas half great Caesar's number,

That made his corpse the ground encumber.  
 How many men, for heroes nurst,  
 Had left their colours at the first?  
 'Twas through Achilles' greatest glory  
 That Homer rose to sing his story;  
 And Alexander mourn'd his lot,  
 That no such bard could then be got;  
 But Hannah's praise no Homer needs,  
 She lives to sing her proper deeds.

A copy of the picture of Hannah Snell is in the Royal Hospital (Great Hall), Kilmainham, Dublin, having been recently presented."—THE GENTLEMAN'S MAGAZINE, July, 1750.

#### POOR GIRL!

Jessie had been in the orchard all day; you can guess that she must have been eating, and sadly she wended her sorrowful way, when a gentleman stopped with this greeting: "Oh! what can the matter be? Are you in pain, little miss?" Then he stopped just to see, but Jessie replied, as she looked down again, "N-n-no, sir, the pain is in me."

Johnny—"My ma got a new dress yesterday, and she threw her arms around pa's neck. What does your ma do when she gets a new dress?"

Tommy—"She says she'll forgive him, but he mustn't stay out late again."

#### His "Waterloo."

Professor Brainine studied deep;  
 He roamed the world from end to end  
 To study languages and tongues,  
 And learn them all he did intend.

He mixed with Hottentots and Poles,  
 With Cockney and with Yorkshireman,  
 With Zulus, Esquimaux, and Jews,  
 And Indians of dusky tan.

In fact no tongue or language rare  
 Escaped him in his studious quest;  
 He learnt them all in course of time,  
 Then settled down to hard-earned rest.

This vain old man's life's work was o'er;  
 He'd gloat and brag about his skill,  
 From early morn to dewy eve,  
 Till all his friends got quite their fill.

One day a "Buff" he chanced to hear  
 (And here he found he'd made mistakes)—  
 "Jest puckerow yer choories, leds,  
 And tern aht on these doey fakes."

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## Racing Track Tips.

### ADVICE TO RUNNERS OVER VARIOUS DISTANCES.

Brains count for just as much in racing on the track as in any other form of sport, and there are all sorts of "wrinkles" which it may pay the foot-racing enthusiast to consider. Here are one or two of them devoted to races of various lengths.

In a sprint proper—anything from 100 to 200 yards—there is little to remember except the enormous importance of getting off quickly. The most widely affected start is the American crouch, with two hands resting lightly on the line, the jump-off being done with a quick thrusting movement of the thighs. But it is doubtful whether this is really the best start. In the writer's opinion a much quicker and powerful dash-off is obtained by the following method, which was expounded by C. B. Fry, the famous Oxford Treble Blue.

#### THE CRACK OF THE PISTOL.

Resting ALL your weight on your foremost foot, which is, of course, on the line, you balance yourself by holding out the opposite hand, and holding backwards the hand on the same side.

Then, at the crack of the pistol, you simply "dab down" with the foot which is on the line, and which is supporting your weight. This leaves you only two alternatives—either to fall on your face, or else to shoot forward like an arrow from a bow. After a week or two of private practice, and later with the assistance of a friend, you will have no difficulty in always choosing the latter. This start is equally good for quarter and half-mile races.

#### JOCKEYING YOUR OPPONENTS.

In a quarter-mile race—I do not agree with the men who call it a "sprint," for no man could do a quarter at 100 yards pace throughout—the great thing to remember is, that while going at a good pelt from the start, you should invariably leave enough "in hand" for a real sprint at the finish. The last fifty yards or so of a quarter-mile should always be done at your best 100 yards rate.

More tactical work can be introduced into half-mile races than into any of the shorter distances. Here you do not—or ought not to—start off quite so fast. You have more opportunity for jockeying your opponents. If possible, keep a yard or two in front of them from the first, but do not

go away at too much of a burst, because you may find yourself cut down at the finish by a better stayer.

If they, or one of them, should try to shoot past you, do not get flurried, but lie alongside or even a yard or so behind for a while. "Jog them up" a little by spurting for a yard or so now and again, for this may show you whether they are staying well or not. It is a good working rule, however, to sprint home at your best pace in the last 150 yards or so of a half-mile event. It is for this reason that you should not pump yourself over-much at the start.

Moreover, never let yourself be much more than five yards behind the leader at any period of a half-mile; for in so short a race—especially at the finish—such a loss of ground will take a lot of making up against a game runner, however "done" he may be.

Much the same advice applies to the mile; but the longer distances can hardly be usefully discussed, because so many different situations may be met with in races of such duration. This advice—also given by Mr. Fry—may be advantageously borne in mind by runners over every distance.

#### PLUCK AT THE FINISH.

Never give up hope till the tape has been breasted. Keep on pegging away until the finish. Though your heart be going like a sledge-hammer and your breath giving you pain in the drawing, struggle on to the knowledge that your opponent MAY be even more "done" than you. Of course, if you think you are likely to suffer actual injury in continuing, retire from the race; but in the ordinary way you should "bluff" it out to the last. Many a badly exhausted man has beaten a much faster runner by sheer pluck at the finish.



#### "Advertisement."

Jack and Jill were not long married, and they took their first baby for its first walk one hot day.

In turn they carried it in their arms, but Jack soon tired of the task, and suggested the purchase of a perambulator, a thing they did not possess.

It was bought, and Jack thankfully placed the precious burden inside.

They hadn't gone far before they noticed mysterious smiles, which sometimes blossomed into laughter, on the faces of those whom they passed.

This continued till Jack could stand it no longer, when they went off into a deserted street to investigate.

"I'll go on in front," said Jack, "and then we'll walk towards each other. There's evidently something wrong."

He walked on a few yards, and turned. His face became clouded, amused, and then he exploded with uproarious laughter.

"Come here, Jill," said he, pointing to the front of the pram.

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Any descendants of the officers mentioned, who may be now serving, will doubtless be pleased to see their names in the Regimental Paper, after a lapse of nearly 100 years.

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Rank	Name	Rank in the		Army
		Regiment	Army	
Col.	Charles Leigh	29 Dec., 1809	Gen.	25 Sep, 1803
Lt.-Col.	William Stewart	16 Aug., 1810	Major-General	
Col.	James Ferguson	16 May, 1814		
Major	Henry Roberts	17 Nov. 1808	Lt. Cl.	19 May, 1814
	Henry King	17 Aug. 1809	Lt. Col.	4 June, 1814
	George Morris	16 Nov.	Lt. Col.	4 June, 1814
	W. Claud Campbell	16 Aug. 1810		
Captain.	Charles Cameron	1 Dec. 1804	Major	22 Nov. 1813
	Charles Parke	30 Jan. 1806		
	Henry Marlay	8 July, 1807		
	Peter Campbell	2 Nov. 1809		
	Nataniel Thorn	4 Jan., 1810	Major	3 Mar. 1814
	William Fowden	do.		
	Francis Plunkett	12 July,	Lt. Col.	1 Jan. 1812
	Michael Murphy	16 Aug.		
	Cassius M. Clenchey	20 June, 1811		
	Pierre Edw. Fleming	4 June, 1812		23 Mar., 1809
	Mathew Latham	13 May, 1813		11 Feb., 1813
	H— Guy Colclough	26 Aug.		
	William Nichols	27 Jan., 1818		
	William Juxon	26 May		
Richard Houghton	7 July			
John M'Croban	13 Oct.			
John Gardiner	24 Nov.			
William Light	25 do.			
Richard Hooper	8 Dec.			

Rank	Name	Rank in the		Army
		Regiment	Army	
Lieutenant.	William Clifford	13 Nov. 1806		1 Aug., 1805
	John Shepherd	27 do.		
	William Tetlow	5 Apr., 1807		
	Samuel Wright	13 Aug.		
	Henry Gillman	18 Dec. 1808		Died Aug., 1833
	Charles Jackson	29 June, 1809		
	Ja. Campbell Fielding	3 Aug.		
	John Sutherland	31 do.		
	William Manders	2 Nov. 1809		
	David Skiell	26 Dec.		
	William Penefather	17 Jan. 1810		
	William Alment	do.		
	Edward Blair	18 do.		
	William Woods	31 Jan. 1811		
	Charles Walsh	19 June		
	R— Meech	do.		
	M— C— Horner	29 April, 1812		Adjutant
	John West	24 Sept.		
	John Home	26 Nov.		
	J'n Simpson Hughes	25 Feb. 1813		
	William Mackay	5 May		
	Frs. B'n'rd Fielding	6 do.		
	W— Farquharson	24 June		
	Robert FitzGibbon	24 Aug.		
	John Twigg	do.		
	George T— Benson	25 do.		
	F— Murphy	26 do		
	Robert Blake	23 Sept.		
Thos. Henry Owen	21 Oct.			
Thomas Everndern	31 Mar. 1814			
William Wrihte	26 May			
Robert Stirling	11 Aug.			
Archibald Innes	3 Nov.			
Christopher Dexter	11 June, 1812			
William M'Minn	20 Aug.			
Tor'ias Laffey	17 Sept.			
John Tharpe Clarke	5 Nov.			
Thomas Barrett	15 Apr. 1813			
William Caldwell	26 Aug.			
Henry Young	7 Oct.			
Ambrose Moore	14 do.			
John Millar	21 do.			
J— B— Kingsbury	25 Dec.			
Samuel Blythe	do.			
Carden Williams	do.			
Richard Nelson	27 Jan. 1814		Adjutant	
R— de Courcey	14 July			
John Lewis Corrigan	22 Nov.			
William Spiller	23 do.			
John Willock	24 do.			

Rank	Name	Rank in the		Army
		Regiment	Army	
Ensign.	Thomas Henry Mann	23 July, 1807		
	William Boyd	18 Mar., 1813		
Adjn. Pay- tant M't'r	M— C— Horner	25 Apr., 1810		Lt. 29 Apr 1812
	Richard Nelson	24 Nov., 1814		Ensign 27 Jan. 1814
Or- M't'r	William Herring	11 Feb., 1808		
	J— Roberts	28 Apr.		
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As't- Surg.	Robert Ivory	23 Nov., 1809		
	Alexander Bremner	3 Sept., 1812		
	John Morrison	6 May, 1813		

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