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"Mons," "Marne, 1914," "Ypres, 1915," "Suvla," "Jerusalem," "Mesopotamia, 1917-18."

"Le Cateau," "Retreat from Mons," "Aisne, 1914," "La Bassée, 1914," "Armentières, 1914," "Neuve Chapelle,"
"Gravenstafel," "St. Julien," "Frezenberg," "Bellewaarde," "Aubers," "Hooge, 1915," "Loos," "Somme, 1916," "Delville
Wood," "Pozières," "Ginchy," "Fiers-Courcellette," "Morval," "Thiepval," "Le Transloy," "Ancre Heights," "Ancre, 1916," "Plickem,"
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"Langemarck, 1917," "Menin Road," "Polygon Wood," "Broodseinde," "Poelcappelle," "Passchendaele," "Schepenberg,"
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du Nord," "St. Quentin Canal," "Courtrai," "Selle," "Valenciennes," "Sambre," "France and Flanders, 1914-18," "Italy,
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Major L. L. Pargiter, D.S.O., Middlesex Regiment.

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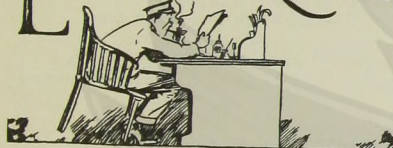
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EDITORIAL



H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES, Colonel-in-Chief, was in the chair at the Annual Dinner of the Officers' Club on June 25th.

The Regiment is happy to have received visits this year from officers of our Allied Dominion Regiments. We were particularly fortunate in that Col. E. H. Greenwood, Wentworth Regiment, arrived in England just in time to attend the Officers' Club Dinner.

We tender our congratulations to Col. Gerald Beach, O.B.E., T.D., on being

awarded the C.B. (Civil Division) in the recent Birthday Honours.

We congratulate Lieut.-Col. W. H. Parmeter on his promotion to command the 8th Battalion, T.A.

We publish a most interesting letter from Mr. J. C. Coughlan, the son of an old "Die-Hard" in Australia. It is a wonderful family and Regimental record. We wish Mr. Coughlan and his mother a long life of prosperity.

The Goldie Memorial photograph and article produced in this number will be of great interest to the Regiment. We have to thank Major Goldie Taubman for his kindness in sending us the photograph and article.

The photograph of the 2nd Battalion Staff Sergeants, taken by Lieut.-Col. Wade-Dalton in 1893, is a sister picture to that of the Officers published in our May issue.

The Historical Library is fortunate in having had presented to it by Capt. H. W. M. Paul the original book of Crimean sketches, entitled "The Seat of War in the East," by William Simpson.

Many of our readers will be interested to know that Mr. John Adair, formerly Paymaster-Sergeant (Q.M.S.), 57th Regiment, is a regular subscriber to this journal. This old veteran, who is in possession of the New Zealand and South African, 1879, Medals, also the Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct, resides in Cork.

The Annual Camps of the Territorial Battalions this year are as follows: 7th, 8th and 9th Middlesex, in New Forest Area; 7th City of London at Shorncliffe; and the 19th London at Bordon.

In order to dispose of surplus copies of the book of photographs of the Historical Display at the Royal Tournament, the

price of the book has been reduced to the following figures:—

Single copy ... 3/-
One dozen ... 30/-
Two dozen, or more (per doz.) 20/-

Application should be made to the P.R.I., 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, Catterick Camp, Yorkshire.

REGIMENTAL FIXTURES, 1930.

Nov. 1st.—Annual General Meeting of Regimental Association and Old Comrades' Annual Dinner; Wharnccliffe Rooms, Great Central Hotel, Marylebone, 7 p.m.

Nov. 11th.—Remembrance Day Service at Regimental War Memorial, Mill Hill Barracks, 10.45 a.m.

REGIMENTAL COMMITTEE.

THE Annual Meeting of the Regimental Committee and General Sir Ivor Maxse's lunch took place at the Guards Club on June 25th.

There were present Lieut.-Col. V. L. N. Pearson, D.S.O., 1st Battalion; Major T. S. Wollocombe, M.C., 2nd Battalion; Major L. L. Pargiter, D.S.O., Depot; Lieut.-Col. W. H. Parmeter, 8th Battalion; Lieut.-Col. G. W. H. Tupper, T.D., 9th Battalion; Col. A. M. O. Anwyl, Passingham, O.B.E., D.L., Lieut.-Col. W. H. Samuel, Lieut.-Col. W. P. Hewett, T.D., Mr. George Dixey, and Mr. P. Jennings.

Owing to illness, Lieut.-Col. S. C. M. Smith, T.D., 7th Battalion, was unfortunately not able to be present.

General Sir F. Ivor Maxse was in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting (1929) were read, and signed.

CONFIRMED.

Officers' Blue Serge: White collars according to Dress Regulations.

Web Equipment: Straps at back to be worn according to plate circulated to all Battalions.

Officers' Club: Officers of affiliated Territorial Regiments eligible for membership.

The S.O. to send to all Battalions copies of minutes of all previous meetings.

NOT APPROVED.

Officers' Blue Serge: Wearing of badges.

Officers' Mess Kit: Wearing of badges.

OFFICERS' CLUB NOTES.

THE Cricket Week was held at the Depot from June 23rd to 28th, and the Officers' Club were At Home on the Thursday, June 26th.

A number of members and guests attended the At Home. The weather was perfect during the week, and the ground looked very well.

The Band of the 9th Battalion played during the At Home and were thoroughly appreciated, an excellent programme being provided.

Five cricket matches were arranged this year: on June 23rd *v.* Cryptics; June 24th *v.* Royal Fusiliers; June 25th *v.* Free Foresters; June 26th *v.* I Zingari; and June 28th *v.* Sandhurst Wanderers.

Thanks to some excellent bowling by Lieut. Hudson and Sergt. Kennett, and also to good batting by Capt. Lyon, Lieut. Hudson, Capt. Phillips, Major Pargiter and Mr. Franklin, we were successful in all matches except one, the match against the I Zingari resulting in a draw.

During the week Lieut. Hudson took 25 wickets for 167 runs, a really excellent performance; he also registered 146 runs.

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* CRYPTICS.

Result: Middlesex Regiment won by 59 runs.

Capt. Lyon, having won the toss, decided to bat. A good third-wicket stand by Mr. Franklin and Lieut. Hudson brought our total to 80 for 2 wickets at the luncheon interval. Our remaining batsmen, however, did not fare well, and we were all out for 112. This was not considered sufficient, but Lieut. Hudson and Sergt. Kennett came to the rescue and disposed of our opponents for 53.

(Lieut. Hudson, 7 for 16; Sergt. Kennett, 3 for 17).

Scores:—

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.	
Capt. N. H. B. Lyon c Goold b Read ...	14
Mr. J. R. B. Worton b Goold ...	9
Mr. R. Franklin b Read ...	34
Mr. E. V. Hudson b Read ...	22
Capt. C. T. Whinney b Goold ...	1
Major L. L. Pargiter b Read ...	0
Capt. H. Phillips b Read ...	0
Sergt. Northcott b Read ...	6
Mr. R. Sword c Simpson b Odhams ...	0
Sergt. Kennett not out ...	10
Mr. R. Sword c Simpson b Odhams ...	4
Sergt. O'Brien lbw b Odhams ...	5
Extras ...	7
Total ...	112

CRYPTICS.

Mr. Goold c Pargiter b Kennett ...	0
Capt. Brinckman b Hudson ...	3
Mr. Evans b Kennett ...	4
Mr. Tucker b Hudson ...	0
Mr. Whitcombe b Hudson ...	9
Mr. Odhams b Kennett ...	0
Mr. Mahappy run out ...	20
Major Bucknall b Hudson ...	9
Mr. Churchill b Hudson ...	0
Mr. Simpson c Phillips b Hudson ...	0
Mr. Read not out ...	0
Extras ...	8
Total ...	53

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT v. ROYAL FUSILIERS.

Result: Middlesex Regiment won by 35 runs.

The visitors, winning the toss, decided to bat, but, apart from Lieut. Butler, no one else was able to play the bowling with any certainty, Lieut. Hudson coming out with the excellent average of 6 for 38.

Capt. Lyon and Mr. Worton opened our innings. Nobody seemed comfortable against the bowling of the visitors, and at one time it looked as though we might suffer defeat. However, a very useful innings by Major Pargiter, which included two 6's, turned the tables, and our opponents' total was passed with three wickets in hand.

Scores:—

ROYAL FUSILIERS.	
Mr. D. B. Butler b Hudson ...	42
Mr. C. W. C. Packe b Hudson ...	11
Mr. B. McCall b Hudson ...	0
Mr. C. A. R. Nevill c Lyon b Kennett ...	4
Fus. Whiting b Hudson ...	1
L./Cpl. Peterson c Wollocombe b Franklin ...	15
Capt. C. Chester-Master b Hudson ...	4
Fus. Bolton b Northcott ...	4
Mr. W. N. White-Thompson b Kennett ...	3

Mr. K. T. Darling b Hudson ...	0
Mr. J. Richardson not out ...	0
Extras ...	12
Total ...	96

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Capt. N. H. B. Lyon hit wkt b McCall ...	15
Mr. J. R. B. Worton lbw b Butler ...	1
Mr. R. C. Franklin b Bolton ...	2
Mr. E. V. H. Hudson c and b Butler ...	20
Capt. H. Phillips b Bolton ...	10
Capt. C. T. Whinney b Bolton ...	13
Sergt. Northcott b Bolton ...	14
Major L. L. Pargiter not out ...	29
Major G. C. Bucknall c White b Nevill ...	1
Major T. S. Wollocombe lbw b Bolton ...	6
Sergt. Kennett b Richardson ...	0
Extras ...	20
Total ...	131

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT v. FREE FORESTERS.

Result: Middlesex Regiment won by 9 wickets. Here again the visitors won the toss. Lieut. Hudson opened the bowling for us and soon had our opponents in difficulties, once again coming out with the excellent average of 7 for 58, Sergt. Kennett taking 3 for 45.

Capt. Lyon and Mr. Franklin opened for us. Capt. Lyon settled down very quickly, making a most excellent 113. We congratulate him most heartily on this his first century on the Depot ground. May he make many another. Capt. Lyon and Mr. Hudson passed our opponents' score before they were parted.

Scores:—

FREE FORESTERS.	
Mr. F. N. Hollings b Hudson ...	16
Major A. Q. Perkins b Hudson ...	17
Capt. G. Saville c Hudson b Kennett ...	0
Major H. Handcock b Kennett ...	8
Major Macintyre c Whinney b Kennett ...	5
Mr. A. E. Saunders b Hudson ...	15
Mr. A. E. Carden b Hudson ...	0
Mr. R. O. C. Lyon b Hudson ...	23
Mr. C. S. Patterson b Hudson ...	11
Major J. MacRae c and b Hudson ...	1
Capt. C. Wall not out ...	18
Extras ...	14
Total ...	128

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Capt. N. H. B. Lyon c and b Macintyre ...	143
Mr. R. C. Franklin run out ...	10
Mr. E. V. Hudson c Lyon b Saville ...	65
Extras ...	15
Total (for 2 wickets) ...	203
Mr. W. Flint, Mr. J. R. B. Worton, Capt. C. T. Whinney, Capt. H. Phillips, Capt. H. W. M. Paul, Mr. R. Sword, Sergt. O'Brien and Sergt. Kennett did not bat.	

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT v. I ZINGARI.

Result: Draw.

The visitors, although they won the toss, decided to put us in, as they were apparently under the impression that the wicket at the beginning of the day's play was not going to be too easy. It was not long before they were made to realize their mistake, Mr. Franklin and Mr. Hudson both quickly settling down and making 46 and 39 respectively. Capt. Phillips, who went in sixth wicket down, soon showed us what a useful thing it is to have a long reach, and put together a very sound 69. Our side were out just before tea, leaving our opponents two hours in which to make the runs. Hudson again bowled very well, taking 5 for 57.

Scores:—

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.	
Capt. N. H. B. Lyon b Ormrod ...	0
Mr. R. Franklin c Gardiner b Frazer ...	46
Mr. E. V. H. Hudson c MacRae b Macintyre ...	39
Mr. J. R. B. Worton c Frazer b Ormrod ...	12
Capt. C. T. Whinney c Brinckman b Frazer ...	6
Sergt. Northcott b Maitland ...	8
Sergt. H. Phillips b Cobbold ...	60
Capt. H. Phillips b Frazer ...	24
Major L. L. Pargiter b Frazer ...	10
Mr. R. Sword b Cobbold ...	0
Sergt. O'Brien lbw b Cobbold ...	0
Sergt. Kennett not out ...	3
Extras ...	20
Total ...	237

I ZINGARI.

Mr. R. A. Cobbold b Hudson ...	33
Capt. T. B. Brinckman c Lyon b O'Brien ...	12
Major C. B. Ormrod c Worton b Hudson ...	17
Lord Dalkeith b Hudson ...	1
Mr. J. E. Maitland b Hudson ...	6
Mr. Keith Frazer lbw b Hudson ...	15
Mr. C. H. M. Ebdon not out ...	12
Major F. Macintyre not out ...	29
Extras ...	50

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 175

Cmdr. Campbell, Major Gardiner and Major MacRae did not bat.

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT v. SANDHURST WANDERERS.

Result: Middlesex Regiment won by 89 runs.

In this match we were unfortunately deprived of the services of Capt. Lyon, Lieut. Worton and Lieut. Hudson, owing to the 13th Brigade Sports. However, thanks to the able captaincy and excellent batting of Capt. H. Phillips, and a good innings by Sergt. Northcott, and also to some excellent bowling by Sergt. Kennett

(who took 7 for 36), we were able to register a comfortable win.

Scores:—

MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.	
Mr. W. Flint c Higgs b Keen ...	10
Major T. S. Wollocombe b Cowey ...	4
Capt. C. T. Whinney b Cowey ...	5
Major L. L. Pargiter c Higgs b Cowey ...	2
Sergt. Northcott c Weston b Keen ...	31
Capt. H. Phillips b Higgs ...	33
Capt. H. W. M. Paul b Higgs ...	34
Mr. R. Sword c Bellers b Higgs ...	16
Capt. G. Parker b Higgs ...	6
Sergt. Kennett not out ...	6
Sergt. O'Brien b Higgs ...	0
Extras ...	24
Total ...	171

SANDHURST WANDERERS.

Mr. Cowey b Kennett ...	0
Mr. Higgs b Kennett ...	38
Mr. Keen c and b Kennett ...	11
Mr. Westow lbw b Kennett ...	2
Capt. Keene run out ...	2
Mr. Thompson lbw b Northcott ...	4
Capt. Fitzmaurice c Northcott b Kennett ...	6
Capt. Campbell c Flint b Kennett ...	0
Col. Turner b Kennett ...	2
Mr. Bellers b O'Brien ...	7
Mr. Higgs not out ...	0
Extras ...	10
Total ...	82

ANNUAL DINNER.

The Annual Dinner was held on June 25th at the Junior United Service Club.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales was in the chair, and the guests were Col. the Hon. Walter Piers Legh (in attendance); Col. E. H. Greenwood, late Commanding Officer of the Wentworth Regiment (77th) of Canada; Lieut. B. Wicksteed, Taranaki Regiment of New Zealand; and Lieut. F. C. Easton, 57th Australian Infantry.

The following were present:—

Col. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., M.C.

Col. the Hon. W. Piers Legh, C.M.G., C.I.E., M.V.O., O.B.E.

General Sir F. Ivor Maxse, K.C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O.

Major General F. W. Ramsay, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

Brig.-Generals J. H. Hall, C.M.G., D.S.O., R. J. Ross, C.B., C.M.G., F. G. M. Rowley, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

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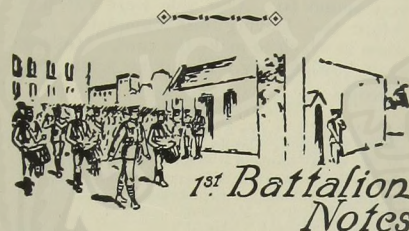
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FOR the first time for four years we were able this year to hold our Regimental Sports on Albuhera Day, and so keep it as we have done for many years past. We were lucky in having a fine day in May for this part of the world, i.e., one without rain or gale, and some very good racing was seen. Several finds were made which will materially aid the Battalion athletic team in their effort to regain the Brigade Cup.

In the evening the All Ranks' Dance was held in the Gymnasium, and was a great success.

The King's birthday this year was celebrated by a Garrison parade for the first time. The parade was held at the Caterick Aerodrome, and entailed a march of six miles there and six miles back. Luckily the weather was kind to us. The day, which was overcast and rather cold, was ideal from our point of view, if not from that of the spectators, who came from many miles round. The parade was a great success, and we were told on high authority that we marched past the best in the Division.

Training is practically at a standstill. The enormous number of Garrison fatigues that we have to furnish take all our men, and Platoon Training has

become almost a farce. No doubt they will rally round again later in the year if, which is more than likely, Northland and Southland once more fly at each other's throats. Anyway, somebody is repairing Range Road, so hostilities must be imminent.

The gardens in barracks, with the aid of much turfing and by the sweat of many brows, have now become things of beauty. It is hardly credible that they have been created from the sea of mud into which we marched four years ago.

A Regimental team, consisting of Cpts. Phillips and Whinney and Lieuts. Crawford and Worton, went up to Prestwick to compete in the Army Inter-Unit Golf Championship, and, after drawing a bye in the first round, were defeated in the second round by the Black Watch by 13 holes.

Major G. L. Brown, D.S.O., has rejoined us from the A.S. of P.T., and is taking over Second-in-Command.

ATHLETICS.

The Inter-Company Sports were held on Albuhera Day, and resulted in a fairly easy victory for A (M.G.) Company, with G Company second and D Company third. The winners fully deserved their victory, as they showed great keenness in training, although the training of other companies was rather hampered by the annual Range Course. Sergt. Donovan was first in both the One Mile and Three Mile Team Races.

Several promising performers were unearthed, notably Pte. Langdale and L./Cpl. Urquhart, who with more coaching and experience should come on greatly. Talent was also discovered for the field events, and Boy Mew should go a long way, both metaphorically and figuratively speaking, in the Pole Jump.

The Battalion team has been training hard under Lieut. Cubitt for the Brigade and Command Meetings, and it will certainly not be for lack of training and keenness if we are defeated.

It is most unfortunate that we are deprived of the services of 2/Lieut. Batten for the Brigade Sports, owing to injury. His absence will handicap us considerably in the sprints.

2/Lieut. Powell ran in the 220 Yards in the Northern Counties Meeting and gained second place, a very good performance. We wish him luck in the Army and A.A.A. Meetings.

13TH INFANTRY BRIGADE SPORTS.

These Sports were held at the Stadium on June 26th and 28th, with the following result:—

1. Lancashire Fusiliers ... 69 pts.
2. 1st Middlesex Regiment ... 66½ pts.
3. East Surrey Regiment ... 52½ pts.
4. East Lancashire Regiment ... 15 pts.

As can be seen, we lost to the Lancashire Fusiliers by 2½ points after a most exciting struggle, the result depending



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on the last race of the day, the 880 Yards, in which we unfortunately finished third.

Without making excuses in any way for our defeat, it can safely be said that the inability of 2/Lieut. Batten, through injury, to run lost us the cup. However, we hope he will be fit for the Command Sports and that we shall then have our revenge.

At the end of the first day we were occupying third place with 13½ points to the Lancashire Fusiliers' 16 and East Surreys' 15½. On Saturday, however, a six-inch victory in the 100 Yards Relay and a great win in the Mile Team Race, in which our team ran magnificently, put us in the lead, a position we held until the last race.

Although naturally disappointed at being beaten on the post, there is no doubt that the team as a whole, entirely owing to hard practice and training, is

very much better than last year's, when we were beaten by the East Surrey Regiment, whom we defeated comfortably this year. Last year, owing to the York and Doncaster Tattoos, we were not fit, but this year every man is as fit as a fiddle.

Special mention must be made of our One Mile team, who ran beautifully to win us the Mile Team Race. Incidentally this is the first time for nine years at least that we have succeeded in winning this race at any sports.

The improvement in the field events, entirely due to constant practice, was most encouraging. Bdsn. Chillery's javelin throw of 144 feet was the best individual performance in that event, and Boy Mew and Bdsn. Chillery both cleared 9 feet in the Pole Jump with ease, a height at which every other competitor failed.

Sergt. Painter also ran extremely well in the 220 Yards Relay, to give 2/Lieut. Powell, a (for him) comparatively easy task.

Two or three of our field-event performers unfortunately failed to reach even their average performances, but we hope they will have got over their nervousness by the Command Sports, or that they are reserving their best till then.

Lieut. Cubitt, to whose energy, keenness and enthusiasm a great deal of credit for the team's improvement is due, must feel by now that his time has not been wasted.

Teams:—

Three Miles.—Pte. Roseblade, Sergt. Donovan, Pte. Higgins and Bdsn. Clark.
Putting the Shot.—Capt. Haydon and Pte. Barnett.

High Jump.—2/Lieut. Powell and Pte. Ward.

Hammer.—Pte. Evans and L./Cpl. Bullock.

Long Jump.—2/Lieut. Powell and Cpl. Williams.

Discus.—Pte. Evans and Pte. Gadsden.
100 Yards.—Sergt. Painter, Pte. Macnamara, Cpl. Williams and 2/Lieut. Powell.

One Mile.—Sergt. Donovan, 2/Lieut. Chattey, Bdsn. Clark and Pte. Langdale.

440 Yards.—Lieut. Worton, Lieut. Cubitt, L./Cpl. Urquhart and 2/Lieut. Powell.

Hurdles.—Sergt. Painter, Pte. Lennard, Capt. Haydon and Bdsn. Chillery.

220 Yards.—Sergt. Painter, Pte. Macnamara, Cpl. Williams and 2/Lieut. Powell.

Javelin.—Bdsn. Chillery and L./Cpl. Blackman.

Pole Jump.—Boy Mew and Bdsn. Chillery.

880 Yards.—Lieut. Cubitt, L./Cpl. Urquhart, Bdsn. Dibble and Sergt. Donovan.

CRICKET.

We have had quite a successful season so far, although we depend too much on about three individuals to call our team a good one. There is a certain lack of solidity in the batting if Capt. Lyon and Lieut. Hudson do not make runs, and our bowling depends almost entirely on Lieut. Hudson and Sergt. Kennett. Happily, so far, there has not been much need to call on anyone else.

We were defeated in the first round of the Garrison Knock-out Competition by the Training Battalion Royal Signals by 4 wickets. Capt. Lyon and Lieut. Clowes were unfortunately not able to play, which seriously weakened our batting, and Lieut. Hudson was unlucky to get a real snorter in his first over. Our batting rather collapsed after that, except for Lieut. Worton and Cpl. Williams, who played a gallant and hard-hitting innings of 18. Our opponents knocked off the runs for the loss of six wickets.

Capt. Lyon and Lieut. Hudson have played several times for the Garrison. The latter made 98 not out *v.* Rossall School, and took 9 for 48 *v.* Sedbergh School, whilst Capt. Phillips got a hard-hit 52.

Results and scores of cricket matches played by the 1st Battalion:—

1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* DEPOT ROYAL SIGNALS.
Played on May 21st, and won by the Signals by 3 wickets.

1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.	
Lieut. Worton c Pellew b Walford	2
Capt. Lyon b Roderick	37
Lieut. Hudson b Walford	23
Lieut. Sword c Roderick b Walford	5
Capt. Phillips st Walsh b Pellew	4
Sergt. Kennett not out	17
Sergt. Thomas b Pellew	4
2/Lieut. Man b Pellew	0
Major Bucknall hit wkt b Pellew	8

Cpl. Williams b Pellew	0
L./Cpl. Packard b Pellew	1
Extras	4
Total	105

DEPOT ROYAL SIGNALS.

Major Briars b Hudson	2
Sergt. Ryass b Kennett	3
Capt. Walford b Kennett	72
Major Vyvyan b Kennett	25
Capt. Boyd b Kennett	1
Lieut.-Col. Walsh lbw b Kennett	1
Capt. Edes b Kennett	18
L./Cpl. Roderick not out	6
Lieut. Pellew not out	1
Extras	12

Total (for 7 wickets) ... 142

Sgmn. Wall and Cpl. Phillips did not bat.

DEPOT ROYAL SIGNALS *v.* 1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.
Played on May 28th, and won by the Middlesex by 1 wicket.

DEPOT ROYAL SIGNALS.

Major Vyvyan b Hudson	1
L./Cpl. Roderick b Hudson	1
Lieut.-Col. Walsh b Kennett	0
Capt. Edes b Kennett	15
F.S.M. Harris b Worton	5
Sgmn. Wall c and b Northcott	26
Sgmn. Duncan b Hudson	10
Sgmn. Newman c Williams b Hudson	7
Sgmn. Stevens b Williams	0
Lieut. Pellew b Kennett	1
Cpl. Haynes not out	7
Extras	15
Total	88

1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Lieut. Sword lbw b Wall	0
Lieut. Worton b Wall	23
Lieut. Hudson b Wall	3
Capt. Lyon b Wall	31
Capt. Phillips c and b Edes	20
Sergt. Northcott not out	9
Sergt. Kennett run out	1
Sergt. Thomas b Edes	8
Cpl. Williams b Roderick	0
Cpl. Cooper b Roderick	5
Extras	19
Total (for 9 wickets)	119

1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* RICHMONDSHIRE C.C.
Played on May 31st, and won by the Middlesex by 6 wickets.

RICHMONDSHIRE.

Wheatley lbw b Kennett	4
Stewart b Hudson	17
Brown b Hudson	0
Capt. Barratt b Kennett	0
Wright c Green b Williams	16
Hurley b Northcott	5
Broad not out	5
Burwick b Kennett	5
Herr c Lyon b Kennett	0
Cpl. Cooper c Green b Hudson	6
Swairston run out	1
Extras	3
Total	78

1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Lieut. Worton c and b Swairston	14
Major Bucknall c Broad b Stewart	0
Lieut. Hudson retired	64
Sergt. Thomas b Stewart	0
Lieut. Sword b Stewart	14
Sergt. Northcott b Barratt	1
Sergt. Kennett not out	6
Boy Mew b Barratt	0
Cpl. Williams not out	2
Extras	4

Total (for 7 wickets) ... 105

L./Cpl. Green and Capt. Lyon did not bat.

1ST MIDDLESEX *v.* 1ST LANCASHIRE FUSILIERS.
Played on June 4th, and won by the Middlesex by 25 runs.

1ST LANCASHIRE FUSILIERS.

Capt. Winterbottom b Hudson	16
Cpl. Cuffie b Hudson	4
Sergt. Kay c Lyon b Hudson	8
Major Dawson c Lyon b Hudson	0
Lieut. Kendrick c Hudson b Northcott	6
Sergt. Gould b Hudson	0
L./Cpl. Baker c Northcott b Hudson	0
Bdsn. McGowrey c Lyon b Hudson	24
Lieut. Maunsell b Williams	2
Sergt. Starling b Hudson	0
Cpl. Pope not out	3
Extras	3
Total	71

1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Capt. Lyon b Cuffie	12
Lieut. Worton st — b Cuffie	22
Lieut. Hudson c — b Kay	47
Major Bucknall b Kay	1
Sergt. Northcott run out	1
Sergt. Thomas c — b Kay	1
Lieut. Sword b Gould	8
Boy Mew b Gould	0
Cpl. Williams c — b Gould	1
L./Cpl. Green not out	1
L./Sergt. West b Gould	0
Extras	2
Total	96

1ST ROUND INTER-UNIT GARRISON CRICKET KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION.

1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT *v.* TRAINING BATTALION
ROYAL SIGNALS.
Played on June 19th, and won by the Signals by 4 wickets.

1ST MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Lieut. Worton c Askew b Jenner	24
Sergt. Thomas b Bridges	0
Lieut. Hudson b Carpenter	0
Capt. Phillips c Jem b Carpenter	9
Sergt. Northcott c Eynott b Askew	6
Clr.-Sergt. Farrow b Jenner	0
Lieut. Sword b Jenner	4
Sergt. Kennett b Askew	0
2/Lieut. Chattey b Carpenter	2
Cpl. Williams c Jenner b Carpenter	18
L./Cpl. Green not out	0
Extras	0

Total ... 68

ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS.

Sgmn. Jenner lbw b Kennett ...	3
L./Cpl. Larner b Hudson ...	5
Sergt. Carpenter c Worton b Hudson ...	9
L./Cpl. Bridges b Kennett ...	0
Sergt. Askew c Hudson b Kennett ...	38
Capt. Rane c Worton b Hudson ...	5
Col. Hitchins not out ...	8
Extras ...	2
Total (for 6 wickets) ...	70
Capt. Brown, Sergt. Eynott, Capt. Gem and Cpl. Paget did not bat.	

A (M.G.) COMPANY NOTES.

"It would never be done," was the general cry; "H.Q. Wing would always win everything at sports," until our Company said "No, it is time that we took the shield from them," and we did. For the past nine years either G or Q Companies have won the shield. What shield? Why, the most important one to win in the Regiment—the Battalion Athletic Shield, presented to the best company at sports during the year. Great keenness is shown over this shield throughout the year, for as each branch of sport is played so points are awarded towards it, and finally on Albuhera Day the Battalion Athletic Meeting decides the issue.

It was undoubtedly the fine spirit displayed throughout the Company that made it certain for us. Officers and other ranks all played their parts in order to gain it, and now for retention of shield and spirit.

At every branch of sport other companies have found us a hard nut to crack. At football in the league we were second; in six-a-side football, runners-up; six-a-side hockey, runners-up; boxing, winners; tug-of-war, winners; and winners of the Athletic Meeting by a very good margin.

The following are the teams, events, and placings:—

440 Yards Relay.—1st. (L./Sergt. Painter, L./Cpl. Bullock, L./Cpl. Green and Pte. Wadsworth.)

880 Yards Relay.—2nd. (Same team as 440 Yards Relay.)

One Mile Relay.—2nd. (Lieut. Newton, 2/Lieut. Mackenzie, L./Cpl. Urquhart and Pte. Gardiner.)

Two Mile Relay.—2nd. (Lieut. Newton, Pte. Mellish, L./Cpl. Urquhart and Pte. Gardiner.)

One Mile Team.—1st. (L./Sergt. Donovan, L./Cpl. Keen, L./Cpl. Robinson and L./Cpl. Thirkettle.)

Three Mile Team.—1st. (Same team as for One Mile Team.)

Hurdles.—2nd. (Capt. Haydon, Pte. Long, Pte. Leonard and L./Sergt. Painter.)

Hammer.—1st. (L./Cpls. Bullock and Green.)

Discus.—3rd. (L./Sergt. Williams and Cpl. Andrews.)

Javelin.—1st. (Pte. Jolley and L./Cpl. Bullock.)

Shot.—1st. (Capt. Haydon and Clr. Sergt. Darby.)

Pole Jump.—2nd. (L./Cpl. Green and Pte. Wadsworth.)



A (M.G.) Company Mascot.

Long Jump.—4th. (L./Sergt. Donovan and Pte. Wadsworth.)

High Jump.—5th. (L./Cpl. Brown and Pte. Leonard.)

It can be seen by the results that most of the prizes came to our Company. Apart from Company gains we have been able to unearth some fairly good talent among the younger soldiers who will no doubt assist the Battalion in winning greater trophies in the Army, thereby raising still higher the name of the "Die-Hards." We have at present fifteen other ranks of the Company to assist the Battalion in this great effort.

In the past quarter we have completed the new A.M.G.C., we being one of the regiments selected to try this out. It must be admitted that at the commencement everyone was very pessimistic over the probable results, so a great deal of

work was put in to get the Company up to a high standard. The actual results were astonishing, for, whereas we pessimists anticipated 50 per cent. third-class gunners, over 70 per cent. of the Company were marksmen, and there were no thirds. This will require some beating throughout the Army.

Unfortunately at present the Company is at a standstill, as the Battalion are doing Garrison fatigues, etc., which take practically the whole of the Battalion, so leaving no N.C.Os. or men for training. This is very unfortunate for us, as the Annual Brigade Concentration is approaching, which is the culminating point of M.G. work, and naturally everyone is anxious for a final "polish up" in M.G. Tactics, in order to produce a good standard there also.

This being a Territorial year as regards training, we are losing the majority of our officers and N.C.Os., who are migrating to warmer (or more civilized) climes, to assist our Territorials in "machine gun mysteries" for two weeks. This is causing smiles from the men of our Company, who visualize our C.S.M. doing Company Commander for the period, with the cook as his understudy. Their hopes are likely to be dashed to the ground.

Lieut. Mackenzie has left for the "Gunners' Paradise," Netheravon, for a Machine Gun Course, and we wish him the best of luck. (Hope it's a "D.")

W. E. B.

B COMPANY NOTES.

We have now completed the Annual Musketry Course, except for a few casualties, and, thanks to the strenuous efforts of all ranks, and a few heart-to-heart talks with possible third-class shots, we are again the best shooting company. In fact, we have no thirds—a feat of which we are justly proud. We also won the Young Soldiers' Competition at the Battalion Rifle Meeting.

We feel sure that the beautiful scenery of Barden Moor was greatly appreciated by all those new to it—also the spring weather (?). L./Sergt. Phillipson represented us in the Battalion Revolver Shoot and gained first place—Battalion Revolver Shoot.

In sport we have held our own. 2/Lieut. Chattey's untiring efforts have

greatly helped us along, but we missed Lieut. Hudson, who was away on a P.T. Course.

We take this opportunity of welcoming Sergt. Fleming to the Company. He is a tower of strength and has a great moral effect on our young, on-coming sportsmen, being always ready to help in any way. Long may he remain, though in these days of quick and constant changes one never knows.

C.S.M. Rand has now settled down with us and is of great assistance. He finds the climate warm after India!

In sport we have won the Hockey Shield. No. 8 Platoon beat No. 2 Platoon in the Six-a-Side Hockey final. We were second in the Tug-of-War, in which A (M.G.) Company took their revenge on us for the hockey.

The Athletic Sports on Albuhera Day will doubtless be described elsewhere in the magazine—also the All Ranks' Dance.

The Company is concentrating on the Brigade Platoon Competition, and war between Northland and Southland is again raging—though neither army appears to have more than a company in it. No. 8 Platoon is the star turn for this event.

As Battalion and Brigade Training approach, our storeman will be very busy. He will have to mobilize a force of red flags, blue screens, rattles, yellow banners and other warlike implements to take the place of our depleted ranks.

MICKEY.

C COMPANY NOTES.

Life has been so full of late that it is difficult to know where to start in this quarter's notes. When the Musketry Course was finished we started on Platoon Training, and found time to finish the Football and Hockey Six-a-Sides, and to train for the Annual Sports. After that came the practising for the King's Birthday Parade, and when that was all over we went on Whitsun leave—five whole days of it—now, alas, we are back again to duty, with only the prospect of a move in October to cheer us up.

The Annual Musketry Course, which took place on the Barden Moor Ranges (the Bellerby Range being out of order), was held in typical April weather, amidst

typical Catterick gales. Despite this handicap, however, scoring ruled high, and, after a desperate struggle, B Company led the way and deprived us of the chance of regaining the rifles and crowns we wore for so long.

In the Football and Hockey Six-a-Sides we were rather unlucky. In the Football our three platoons fell early on to platoons of B Company, but in the Hockey No. 9 Platoon, despite the handicap of numerous changes, only narrowly failed to reach the final, being beaten by Mr. Chattey's Platoon, for whom Clr.-Sergt. Farrow was outstanding.

Our training for sports was rather hindered by the Musketry Course, as most people were too tired to train after reaching home from the ranges at 5 o'clock. Keeness was not very evident amongst those new to the Company, and consequently the old hands had too much to do, thus not being able to show their real form in the later events. In the relays we had no one to back up our crack sprinters, Mr. Powell and L./Sergt. Blake, but, thanks to some fine jumping by Mr. Powell, assisted by L./Cpl. Packard and Pte. Smith, we won the High Jump and came second in the Long Jump.

After the Sports came the Albuhera Night Dance, which was better attended and more enjoyable, if not quite so lively as usual.

On the King's birthday, which last year we celebrated at Olympia, a Divisional Parade was held at Catterick Aerodrome. We were attached to B Company for this parade, as No. 2 Company, and we believe that ours was the straightest line in the march past. The parade itself was an inspiring spectacle, and was watched by thousands of spectators from miles around.

Training has, so far, been rather neglected, but now that we are free from interruptions we hope to renew our old acquaintance with Waithwith Bank, Hill Top Farm, Fish Pond Wood, and Half-penny House. Gardening and turfing in the Company lines has been occupying our attention in the evenings, and they look so picturesque now, that we can hardly believe that this is the same desolate spot we know in winter.

Since the last notes, the personnel of

the Company has greatly changed. Chief amongst these is our temporary (we hope) loss of Bt. Major Newnham to the Territorials, and his replacement as Company Commander by Capt. Hill. We have also lost L./Sergt. Goss, Cpl. Paterson and L./Cpl. Ramsden to the Depot, but we welcome L./Sergts. Blake, Honeybun and Bayles and a new draft to the Company.

Our deficiencies in Lance-Corporals have at last been made up, and we congratulate L./Cpls. Bermingham, Plucknett, Belcher, Maloney, Watts, Cladd and Overly on their new appointments. We also congratulate Cpl. Packard on his promotion, and L./Cpls. Connnett, Ramsden and Hammond on passing for promotion in gaining their 2nd Class Certificates of Education.

D COMPANY NOTES.

We are now just starting our Platoon Training, a new draft having recently arrived from the Depot which we hope will enable us to carry out our programme. We train with only half a platoon, but feel fortunate in being able even to do that.

We are sorry to lose L./Cpl. Brown, who has gone on a tour of duty to the Depot. He was always prominent in our sports team, and our loss is undoubtedly the Depot's gain. L./Cpl. Murphy has left us for civilian life and we wish him the best of luck. On the other hand, we are glad to say that Sergt. Campbell has now rejoined us from his tour of duty on a troopship, and we also welcome Cpl. Newstead from H.Q. Wing.

Congratulations to Cpl. Cooper on his promotion.

In the Annual Shooting this year we were very unfortunate in being beaten into second place by B Company by the very small margin of .8. Nos. 15 and 14 Platoons did well to get second and third places respectively in the Platoon Competition.

Since our last issue we have done very well in the field of sport. Our athletic team did extremely well in gaining third place in the Inter-Company Sports. We won two of the sprint relays and the hurdles, although we were rather lucky in the latter. We were second in the discus

and the javelin. No. 13 Platoon won the Inter-Platoon Basketball Competition. Our cross-country teams put up a very good show in winning the shield, and all our sports teams co-operated excellently and so won us the Mons Shield.

There is little else to say except that we hope to do well in the cricket.

DRUMMERS' NOTES.

Since the last issue of the Journal many important changes have come to pass.

from the Depot after his two years' tour of duty, and Dmr. Pullen, who has gone to relieve him, goes with our best wishes for a happy tour.

So far we have been losing our "old soldiers" in the Drums, but we have some young blood in line, and they look very promising, so we shall still be able to keep the colours flying.

We take the opportunity of congratulating Dmr. Billings on winning the Young Soldiers' Shoot. We are hoping



Instructor (to man who has failed to hit the target) "Some of you fellows don't know when you're well off. Do you know that bloke pay 'undreds of pounds to come and shoot on moors like this, and here you are getting it for nothing!"

First of all, the Drums have lost their bounce owing to a certain Drummer bouncing into C Company. No names, no, Chas. We are also sorry that we have to lose our Drum-Major, who has been with the Drums for many years. May he be successful in his undertakings in C Company. We must say that they will prove a great asset to their new Company's sports team in many kinds of sport. Another loss we have sustained is L./Cpl. (Bumpy) Hill, who has left us for civil life. We wish him all the very best of luck. We welcome Dmr. Fellows

he will be the Battalion Shot next year.

Needless to say, we are all looking forward to our move to Colchester, especially a certain married man in the Drums who has spells of home-sickness.

By the time these notes appear in print we shall have a new Drum-Major. Who it will be we do not know, but there is a rumour that the mace has been sent to the Pioneers' Shop to be shortened.

This is all in the way of news, so we will pipe down until the next issue.

SNAKE CHARMER II.

BAND NOTES.

Since our last notes appeared we have lost Lieut. Crawford, who has been posted to the Depot, where we hope his sporting activities are in as much demand as they were in G Company. To him much of our success in athletics is due, and we are confident that Lieut. Cubitt, whom we now take the opportunity of welcoming, will ably lead G on to further victories. "Jimmy" Green has also left us for civilian life. We all wish him the very best of luck, and we are confident that Covent Garden is seeing a lot of him, grand opera in summer attire being his favourite pastime.

We have had a very successful quarter. We managed to win the Football Inter-Company League and also the Six-a-Side Knock-out. The Band Platoon also gained second place in the Platoon Shoot. For the first time in four years we came second in the Albuhera Shield, A (M.G.) being the winners. Boy Mew showed great promise in the Pole Jump.

Our flat-pitch instruments have arrived, and all are endeavouring to put in as much "individ" as possible. There is a lull at present in turfing activities, but we are dreading to hear the "Song of the Pick" once again, and rumour hath it that we start very shortly.

Bdsn. Kefford and Brind have rejoined us from Kneller Hall, both gaining excellent reports. "Billy" is now studying the flute and "fishshops," and is doing quite well in electric shop signs. "Atmospherics" appears to be his middle name.

"Brother" we hope is quite prepared to again start performing on his iron steed, upon which his "Ride of the Valkyries" will be well remembered by many.

We wish to add a reminder to our dearly loved neighbours, the Drummers, that "D.C." at the end of a march means "Da Capo" or back to the beginning and not "finish," as they fondly imagine. But, then, perhaps they suffer from shortness of wind.

FLAT PITCH.

SIGNAL NOTES.

Classification is over and the results are more than satisfactory, for twenty-four went up for Classification and twenty-one

passed. We hope that next time the other three will come to the fore.

L./Cpl. Jeffery is on a course at the School of Signals, and we all hope to see him as a budding A.I.

We must all congratulate Sergt. Challis on obtaining his 1st Class Certificate of Education. Now we have a sweat on losing him.

We all had a fine time on Albuhera Day and as usual the Signals were well to the fore as "froth blowers." In the Sports we came second to A (M.G.) Company, who won the day with our late sportsman, L./Sergt. Painter, who was very prominent in their wins. Cpl. Williams again won the Long Jump with a small spring of 21 ft. 6 in. So much for "Extra Messing."

A new repetition signal has been arranged by a possible signaller. We sincerely trust that the School of Signals never hear of it, as it will mean that the whole of the procedure will be reorganized. This is known as "Pullen's Own."

In conclusion we send our best wishes to all fellow signallers.

C. H. PROC.

SERGEANTS' MESS NOTES.

The past quarter has not produced much from the "note" side, and if Albuhera Day had not intervened it is doubtful if anything could be written.

Albuhera Day was spent as befitted such an august occasion.

At noon on this day the Officers were At Home to the Sergeants' Mess, and right royally were our members entertained. In the evening the Officers came to the Sergeants' Mess for the "Silent Toast," and after an interval the Mess adjourned to the dance which was being held in the Gymnasium.

During the month the Officers were challenged to a billiard and table tennis match. We were able to win the billiards, but at table tennis—well, we faded away. This perhaps accounts for the "Billiards to you" and "Table tennis to you" attitudes.

Several changes have occurred lately, postings to and from the Depot having been frequent. To those who have gone and to those who have come we offer our best wishes.

C.S.M. Goodall has returned from Hythe looking younger than ever.

G. A. P. S. A.

CORPORALS' CLUB NOTES.

The quarter under review has been rather a quiet one owing to such heavy calls on the Club for supervisors for working parties. Again the weather has been so unreliable that to even suggest trips out of the wilds of Catterick would have been mere folly. The sun has not been so prominent in the North as desired, but all thoughts of the summer being over have been dispelled, as King Sol can be seen occasionally peeping through the clouds.

A dance was held on April 7th, which proved a success. Though we were not as crowded as usual, there were heaps of fun and a happy evening was passed. The last dance of the season was held on May 27th. The attendance was below average, but poor weather probably accounted for this. Again there was much competition in the Camp, no fewer than four dances being held the same night. However, dancing for the season has now ended, and our thoughts are being concentrated on outside amusements.

Several members of the Club represented their companies at the Regimental Sports held at the Stadium on Albuhera Day. Cpl. Williams and L./Cpls. Green, Urquhart and A. Brown were selected for the Inter-Mess Relay. After a good display we were forced into third place by the Sergeants and Officers. Teas served by the N.A.A.F.I. appeased many members' appetites after watching thrilling contests all day. In the evening an All-Ranks' Dance was held in the Gymnasium where again members led the way with latest steps.

We welcome L./Cpls. Bennett and Brewer from the 2nd Battalion, and we look to them to make things hum in the future. We have lost Cpl. Chillery, who has gone to the Depot, and Cpls. Egan and Barley to civilian life. All members of the Club express their deepest regret at losing such an esteemed and valued colleague in "Bumpy," who has just retired from the Army.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Who was the member who complained that there were not enough mess-tins to go round in the dining-hall?

Reference, the housing problem, Ginny's estate is now in full swing. (Top of the bunk.)

Is it the application of "Ally Slopers," so thoughtfully provided by the Club, that promotes Tich's appetite? "Wharr-zat?" Don't speak with your mouth full, Tich!!!!

Jeff, the musical critic of the Club, frowns sternly on the vocal efforts of the Fat Party. Do the (G)Nats worry him or is it professional jealousy?

O. AND O.

HISTORICAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.

ON June 26th, General Sir Ivor and Lady Maxse and a party from the Officers' Club At Home paid a visit to the Library and Museum.

As funds come in, show-cases are being purchased to preserve and exhibit the uniforms and other articles.

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

Mr. W. McNEFF.—Photograph, group of A Company; Singapore, 1911; Photograph, B Company! Londonderry, 1906.

LIEUT.-COL. W. H. SAMUEL.—2nd Battalion: Photographs and documents, South African War; 3rd Battalion: Photographs and documents; 11th (S.) Battalion: Photographs and documents; 21st (S.): Photographs and documents.

MRS. B. E. WARD.—1st Battalion: Photograph, Officers of both Battalions; 2nd Battalion: Photograph, Malta, December, 1913; Photograph, Sergt.-Dmr. Deacon, Dinapore, 1912; Photograph, Sergeants, Dinapore, 1912; Photograph, Lieut.-Col. B. E. Ward, Major Daw, and Sergt.-Dmr. Deacon, Dinapore, 1912; 2nd Battalion: Photograph, Drums with Capt. Owen, Guernsey, 1909.

CAPT. H. W. M. PAUL.—57th and 77th: Original Book of Crimea sketches, "The Seat of War in the East," by W. Simpson.

Purchased. — 57th and 77th: Two Crimea sketches.

MR. E. MORRIS: 57th: Framed picture (copy), Col. Egerton.

ADDITIONS TO THE MUSEUM.

MR. H. R. MASTERS.—2nd/10th Battalion: Sword captured from Turkish officer at Jordan Bridge Head, September 8th, 1918.

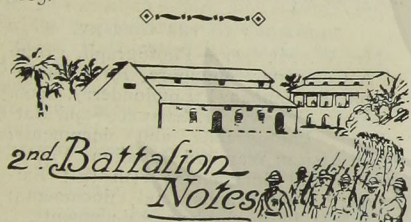
DRUM-MAJOR A. C. FURSE.—4th Battalion: Silver cup, feather-weight champion of Ireland, 1907-08, won by L./Cpl. Gess.

MAJOR C. JARRETT.—South Middlesex V.R.C.: Silver bugle, No. 2 Company (Cox's and Coutts), April, 1860.

MAJOR L. L. PARGITER.—2nd Battalion: North-West Frontier Medal, No. 2438 Pte. A. Pye.

LIEUT.-COL. W. H. SAMUEL.—11th Battalion: Button from German prisoner, Hohenzollern Redoubt, February, 1916; 2nd Battalion: South African War, gift tobacco; South African War, Boer pipe and cigar holder from prisoner, Commandant Breytenbach; Original Commission (2/Lieut. W. H. Samuel); Regimental: Field officer's blue cap.

MR. W. FARRANT.—2nd Battalion: Small book, identity slip, permanent pass, 1888, and Indian Frontier spine-pad, 1885.



THE Battalion is at present divided into three parts: B Company and H.Q. Wing (including the Signallers) are at Fort St. George, D Company and the greater part of C (M.G.) Company are at St. Thomas's Mount, and A Company and the remainder of C (M.G.) Company are enjoying a change of climate at Wellington in the Nilghiri Hills.

In July the latter come back to Madras, while C (M.G.) Company and the Band go up to the hills.

The Battalion has only been involved to a limited extent in the uncertainty caused by civil disturbances in India. For a

considerable period the troops at the Fort and at the Mount were confined to barracks and now they are only allowed to move in restricted areas and in parties of four. Madras has, except on two notorious occasions—on each of which we had to "stand to"—been comparatively quiet, thanks to the excellent conduct and leadership of the Madras City Police.

It may be mentioned here that a party of men of B Company were on one occasion stoned by a mob on the Beach Range. The forbearance and patience of these men under the greatest provocation were very highly praised in a communique issued by the Governor in Council.

A considerable body of Malabar Special Police has been living in the Fort for some time past: they were brought in in case of emergency, but up to now there has been little occasion for their use; they took part with the Battalion in the King-Emperor's Birthday Parade on June 3rd. They have also had several friendly games of hockey with us.

Owing to the fact that the Company Championship for 1929-30 is now completed and that one whole company is now up at Wellington, there is little to record in the world of sport this quarter.

A Company, who have had an excellent record in all branches of sport, are to be congratulated on being Champion Company this season. H.Q. Wing, who had won the championship for several years previously, were a very good second, which is especially creditable when it is remembered that they have lost so many athletes—particularly long-distance runners—to the Machine Gun Company.

On Albuhera Day this year companies at the Fort and the Mount had separate programmes owing to the restrictions imposed by civil disturbance. At the Fort a six-a-side football tournament was held in the early morning, in the final of which the Drums and Employed Group defeated the Band. Reports of other events are contained in the notes of the companies concerned.

The Battalion hockey team has already played a number of matches and shown improved form from last season.

Bathing parties at Elliott's and Parry's Beaches have recently been restarted by H.Q. Wing and B Company, and have

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H.E. The Naval Commander-in-Chief inspecting the Guard of Honour on his arrival.

given much enjoyment to those taking part.

The following officers have left the Battalion temporarily on eight months' leave in the United Kingdom:—

Lieut. J. R. S. Chapman, in January; Major Wollocombe and Lieut. Clark, in March; Capt. Garrow, in April.

Lieut. Wray rejoined us for a short while after vacating his appointment at the Small Arms School (M.G. Wing), Ahmednagar, and subsequently proceeded on home leave. In the absence of officers on leave, etc., Capt. G. W. Kempster and Lieuts. E. L. Heywood and P. E. C. Tuckey are commanding B Company, D Company and H.Q. Wing respectively.

Major M. Browne, M.C., is at present at the Senior Officers' School at Belgaum and Capt. Lawrence is acting as P.R.I. in his absence. 2/Lieut. Stephenson is on the Signal Course at Poona, and Capt. Roberts on a short M.G. Course at Ahmednagar.

We offer a hearty welcome to Lieut. and Mrs. Ayscough and to Lieut. and Mrs. Guscott, who arrived at Madras from home in March.

A number of officers of the Battalion have been successful in meetings in connection with the Madras Hunt, etc., during the past season. The Commanding Officer, Lieut.-Col. H. E. Stanley-Murray, M.C., was awarded the first prize in the Officers' Charger Class at the Madras Horse Show; Lieut. Else, on Capt. Procter's mare, was second in the Novices' Plate; and Lieut. Jacob, on his Arab, was second in the Medium-Weight Hunters' Race, in the Madras Hunt Point-to-Point; and Lieuts. Baldwin and Else tied for first place in the Madras Hunt Paperchase. The Hunt has had a particularly good season, and several members of the Officers' Mess have enjoyed many excellent runs with it.

HOCKEY NOTES.

Although there are no startling successes to record this season so far, there is undoubtedly a general improvement. This was noticeable from the start of the Platoon Hockey Competition, in which the matches were more like hockey matches and less like "lathi" charges

than previously; in fact, in one or two games the hockey was quite useful.

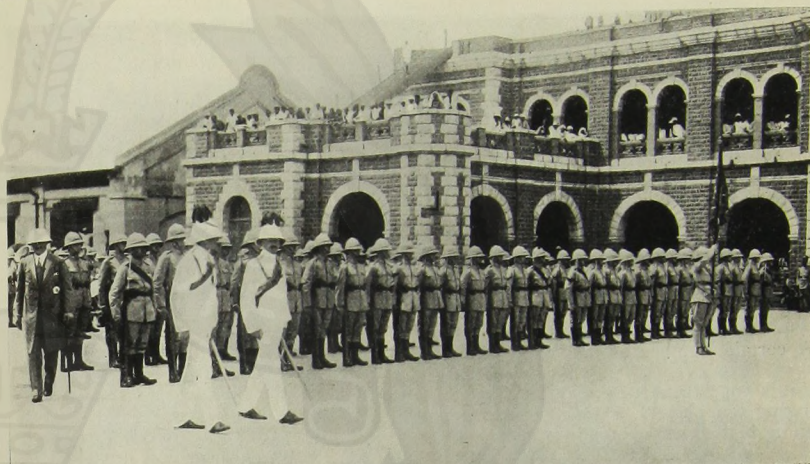
The Platoon Hockey seemed a fairly certain win for No. 16 Platoon when they beat the Drums and Employed, but they went down unexpectedly in the final to No. 1 Platoon, providing one of the many examples of the better team being rattled by the more robust tactics of a hit-and-run side.

The Company Hockey League was a close affair, and there was little to choose between companies as a whole. H.Q. Wing had the most experienced team; this just saved them, and they ended first with one game lost, against A Company. B, who were improving and had plenty of pace, were second; D were third and were probably annoyed at not being higher, but somehow they were usually disappointing. A Company came next, and, though not a good hockey side, they were fast and hard-hitting, and always likely to upset someone's applecart. C (M.G.) Company were just too slow and lacked a constructive player to pull them into shape, otherwise they would have done quite well.

The results of the Battalion matches have been an improvement on last year. This is largely due to better and improving understanding amongst the defence, of whom Brooker is again putting in a vast amount of hard work, and, by seldom being induced to wander, is able to assist in well-timed raids to help his back. Robinson and Stickley are becoming a steadier combination all the time, with fewer first-time slogs which were often misses, and with less tendency to be caught level. Cpl. Higgins at half is inclined to give his wing too much latitude.

The scoring power of the team is still weak, goals usually resulting from break-away by Cpl. Searle or L./Cpl. Deane, and seldom from combined efforts. The chief faults are bad dribbling and bad passing. These are due to poor stick work. The majority of players run about with their sticks far too high and chop or swing at a ball; then, if they have not lost it, they follow it up with a series of hits, and consequently never have it under control. The same fault applies to the tackling, as players with their sticks carried at a form of high

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[Photo: Press Photo Bureau, Madras.]

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[Photo: Press Photo Bureau, Madras.]

H.E. The Governor of Madras inspecting the Guard of Honour on paying his return visit to H.E. The Naval Commander-in-Chief.

port chop at their opponents' sticks or the ball. Halves and backs are learning the uselessness of this, but the forwards are still frequent offenders.

We entered for the S.I.A.A. Tournament, and met, in the second round, the Madras Port Staff Club, who defeated us so severely last season. On this occasion the margin was reduced to 3-0, and, although the team did not play well, they improved considerably in the second half and pressed sufficiently to have made a very close game of it had they had the stick work to finish off their efforts.

The M.C.C. Tournament is the next item, but we have not advanced enough yet to have hopes of doing more than go down with our colours flying.

A certain number of 2nd and 3rd XI games have been arranged this season, and it is hoped that these may be of use in bringing on players who otherwise get nothing better than company games.

A COMPANY NOTES.

The writing of these notes finds the Company at that delectable hill station, Wellington, in the Nilghiris. The everlasting hills, as the poet describes them, have an irresistible appeal, even to the townsmen, whose mountaineering has perhaps been limited to the gentle slope of the Strand or the more severe ascent of the Haymarket. After a prolonged residence in the plains of Madras we are peculiarly susceptible to their beauty. The permanence of these plains in the order of things does not greatly intrigue us, as in a short space of time we shall be exchanging the dust of Hindustan for the dust of the desert. Khartoum, we believe, is singularly rich in those two essentials of a fashionable watering-place, sand and sunshine. In the words of the hymnal, we understand it is a place "where the sun for ever smiles and the blacks for ever weep." The subject is depressing; we will turn to the realms of sport.

The Company can congratulate themselves on having had a most successful season. We are Champion Company and have won the Battalion Athletic, Cricket and Boxing Tournaments; we were also runners-up in the Soccer and Tug-of-War, and drew with H.Q. Wing in the final

of the Company Rugger. It has been our ambition to provide every man in the Company with two organized games a week. The keenness shown by players in these practice games has been most encouraging. Perhaps as a result, we pride ourselves that we are not dependent on the exertions of a dozen experts to form the backbone of all the Company teams; in this connection, we note Ptes. 72 Wright, 09 Wright, Folley, Murcott, Weaver, Harwood and Miles, and L./Cpl. Humphries, who have represented the Company for the first time. Our old stalwarts, amongst whom we may mention Sergt. Beaveridge, Cpl. Newstead, L./Cpls. Palmer and Woodley, and Ptes. Coker, Makewell, Simpson and Hines, continue to keep their form in their various departments.

Here in the hills we have met outside competition with successful results. Since our arrival we have beaten H.Q. Wing of the Lancashire Fusiliers, and hope for the best in the forthcoming Inter-Platoon and Company Hockey, Boxing and Football (rugger and soccer) Competitions, in which detachments from five regiments are competing. In fact, in the coming month, A will not be idle and we hope we will keep up our old reputation.

Before leaving Madras, our boxing representatives, L./Cpl. Palmer and Pte. Hines, fought for the Battalion in the District Tournament. L./Cpl. Palmer won his weight, and Hines was awarded the best loser's prize.

We can congratulate ourselves on the excellent results obtained in our Musketry Course, which was fired at Wellington this year. We have over fifty marksmen and twenty first-class shots. We are now in the throes of the L.G. Classification, and hope to return a large number of first-class gunners.

Our Sergeants have shown us that there is life in the old dogs yet; shortly after our arrival in Wellington a team of eight, representing the Hill Sanatorium, and including five of our warrant and non-commissioned staff, defeated teams of the Officers and of the Sergeants of the Lancashire Fusiliers, and also a cordite factory team.

We would like to note here the performance of No. 4 Platoon in the All-India



2nd BATTALION THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT (D.C.O.) ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL TEAM.
Winners of the Madras Gymkhana Football Tournament, February, 1930.

Standing—Pte. Daly, Pte. Makewell, Pte. Harris, Pte. Redwood, Pte. Knott, C.Q.M.S. Hewitt.
Sitting—Cpl. Scott, Pte. Dyer, C.Q.M.S. Capel (Captain), Bdsman. Goldsmith, L./Cpl. Deane.

Cup; they beat the score of last year's winners by 60 points, so we anticipate being at least somewhere near the top of the list for this competition. While the platoon was actually firing, the Lewis gun failed, but our two gunners, Ptes. Searle and Wallace, were able to clear the stoppage in time to continue the advance; we can therefore attribute our good results partly to their efforts.

B COMPANY NOTES.

Since the last journal notes B Company has been stationed at the Fort, carrying out guard duties, employments, and a certain amount of individual training. Six N.C.Os. were selected for a Battalion Cadre Course under Sergt. Green, and appeared to be carrying out a fairly strenuous programme during the bayonet training period.

The Easter holidays were marred by civil unrest in Madras, resulting in a long period of confinement to barracks and "standing to" on two separate occasions; a party of B Company had to put up with some stoning from a mob of young hooligans whilst returning from the range, but fortunately no one was hurt. The situation has eased now, but movement outside barracks is restricted to certain quarters, and N.C.Os. and men move in parties of four.

B Company was second to H.Q. Wing in the Hockey League. They were perhaps a little unlucky during the first two games. The side combines well and it is hoped it will retain its form. We were fortunate enough to have the services of 2/Lieut. Stephenson. One cannot say that there were any outstanding players in this side. Cpl. Searle now plays for the Battalion, and Sergt. Bishop and L./Cpl. Oram either play occasionally or are on the verge of doing so. Pte. Mann, the Company goalkeeper, has played for the Battalion recently.

We lost against A Company, the winners, in the Inter-Company Boxing Championship after an extra fight between the two reserve light-weights.

The Company team boxed well and with plenty of spirit. The two pluckiest fights probably were put up by Cpl. Harper and Pte. Wilder.

No. 6 Platoon won the Inter-Platoon Football Competition and the cup presented by C.S.M. Beasley.

Bathing parties have been started at Elliotts Beach, but numbers have to be restricted.

An attempt to start basketball has been made.

Capt. G. W. Kempster took over command of B Company from Major T. S. Woollocombe, M.C., in March. During the same month Lieut. E. S. Ayscough joined the Company.

We are, unfortunately, losing 2/Lieut. Stephenson from the Company, as he will shortly leave us for the Signals.

Sergts. Stacey and Tiller have joined the Company from the Home Establishment.

C (M.G.) COMPANY NOTES.

In the Company Cricket League we were without Lieut. Else, but, thanks to the batting of Sergt. Addinall and the general keenness of all the players, we had some very exciting results, beating D Company and H.Q. Wing, and losing to A Company. In our final match we played for second place against B Company. All would have been well but for Lieut. Stephenson, who never gave us a chance except a difficult catch at the very end of the game. A number of wickets fell in rapid succession until the last man, who had seven runs to get. He hit two balls to the boundary, and came out with the next. A great finish to an excellent match!

We expected to do well in the Hockey League, but lost owing to the forwards missing golden opportunities. The backs and halves played well throughout the competition.

The Section Hockey League was won by E Section, after some very close games.

We welcome to the Company all N.C.Os. and men who have just joined us, and hope they will enjoy their tour with us. The new squads are now at Wellington enjoying the cold temperature and showing great keenness in their work and games.

On April 20th we went for a picnic to Lambs Rock, about twelve miles from Wellington. From here an immediate

drop of some 2,000 feet ends in the plains below. We thought of those in Madras, and some clambered on the brink of the precipice discussing the time they climbed Snowdon. It was a great relief to the officer in charge when the party returned to an excellent tea and everyone was reported to be still living.

Congratulations to Sergt. Nash and L./Sergt. Parsler on their excellent results at Ahmednagar and to all those who were awarded their 2nd Class Certificate of Education at the last examination.

We should like to express our appreciation to Sergt. Bone, Subadar-Major Nihal Singh and the Indian Platoon for the excellent state in which they have kept our mules and chargers.

ALBUHERA DAY.

On Albuhera Day a full programme of sports was arranged, beginning at 6.45 a.m. with two hockey matches against D Company 1st and 2nd XIs. It was decided to count a goal as two points and short corners as one, and the highest aggregate score for the two teams to decide the winning company. Supper tickets on "Shabbo" to be given to the XI scoring the highest number of points of the winning company. Both matches were very hard games, especially between the two 1st XIs, D Company winning by two short corners; this was the only score. Our No. 2 team was much more successful and crowned the early morn by winning 5-2, two goals and two short corners to two short corners, so making us the winners of the two matches. By the time the whistle blew for "No side," the sun was well up and getting too hot to be pleasant.

During the hockey a voluntary shoot was also held, which proved to be very popular, the Company being well represented. Although it was expected that firing would finish at 9 a.m., it was necessary to extend the time to complete the programme, owing to the large numbers of entries. Keen competition was especially shown in the category shooting, for which a cup had been presented.

The number of men who took part in the Swimming Sports was so great that the Barrel Fight and 100 Yards Open Race had to be postponed until another

evening. C (M.G.) Company did well, winning the Inter-Platoon 50 Yards, the Inter-Company Medley, and the Water Polo by 3 goals to 0. The Greasy Pole Pillow Fight seemed to be enjoyed more by the spectators than competitors. It is to be regretted, however, that such good advice as "Clip him under the chin, Joan," was seldom carried out, and this can only be put down either to the fact that Joan was too lady-like or that the pillow was too heavy with water. The best fight was between Pte. Marling, C (M.G.) Company, and Pte. 09 Taylor, D Company; Taylor eventually gave it up, being unable to lift his pillow any longer. Marling won, defeating Pte. Barnes, C (M.G.), in the final. The 50 Yards Open Race was won by Pte. Tatt, C (M.G.) Company, who got along with surprising speed and with head under water, occasionally coming up to receive encouragement; Pte. Marling, C (M.G.) Company, was second, moving with steady, powerful strokes.

Diving was perhaps the most popular event of the evening and was won by Pte. Saddington, C (M.G.) Company. Many styles were shown, and in one or two cases several in one; the spectators seemed to like these better, applauding loudly. The Barrel Fight was rather disappointing, few getting within striking distance of the enemy, but usually sinking on sight. Those who did get in a knock, in nine cases out of ten went in as well; the judges had much difficulty in spotting which hit the water first. This was won by Pte. Porter, C (M.G.) Company, with Pte. Tatt second. The 100 Yards Open was won by Pte. Tatt, Pte. Marling following closely.

The outstanding feature of the Sports was the enduring powers of Pte. Tatt, C (M.G.) Company, who is to be congratulated on winning so many events.

Six-a-side football was played at 5 p.m., teams being chosen by drawing at random. The results were very satisfactory.

At 8.30 p.m. an impromptu concert was held in the Cinema, and with the help of D Company's Band went very well. Prizes were given for the best performances, and a large amount of the latent talent blossomed forth from unknown tenors.

BATTALION CROSS-COUNTRY RUN.

Once again we can congratulate ourselves on winning the Cross-Country Run. Owing to the Company being split up, one platoon being in camp and the other in barracks, difficulty arose as to how to train the team together; however, this could not be overcome, and they ran for the first time as a full team in the race itself. Great keenness was shown during the trials, every man working well. The team consisted of the following fast runners: Ptes. Daly, Endersby, Drake, Morrison, Wilson and Dunn, whilst Lieut. Ferguson, L./Cpls. Smith, Osborne and Holland, and Ptes. Brooks, 90 Young, Talbot, Mead and May formed the pack.

The whole team got in well in time, and with five of the pack coming in together, proved beyond doubt the value of fast and pack training.

Although no one member of the team should be congratulated more than another, the fact that Pte. Drake came in third, closely followed by Ptes. Endersby and Dunn, requires special mention. We know that several of the pack felt that they might do better for the Company if allowed to go on, yet they remained back, which shows that the team spirit of the runners was of a high order. Lieut. Ferguson trained the team with considerable skill.

Since the run Pte. May has gone to B Company and Pte. Endersby to A Company. We are very sorry to have lost such good men, and the team will be handicapped greatly by their departure. We wish them all the luck possible.

D COMPANY NOTES.

Another issue of notes finds us enjoying the gentle breezes on the slopes of St. Thomas's Mount. Our Musketry Course has been keeping us very busy of late, and many blame the above-mentioned breezes for a deterioration in their scores. We are at present the best shooting company for 1929-30, but something seems to tell us that we shall not hold that distinction at the end of the present year. (A little bird from Wellington?)

No. 16 Platoon reached the final of the Platoon Hockey Knock-out, but lost to

No. 1 Platoon, of A Company. The Inter-Company Tug-of-War was a great success for us, as we won it without having a third pull in any match. This fine effort was achieved with next to no training, so we hope we may be excused for congratulating ourselves. Some say that they would rather march to Selaiyur than take part in this strenuous form of amusement again, but their silver medals consoled them.

We reached the final of the Inter-Company Boxing Tournament, only to be beaten by A Company by 5 fights to 3. This is the first time in four years that we have not held the Boxing Cup, and we are out for it again in 1931.

The Battalion was confined to barracks on Albuhera Day, and consequently the Fort and the Mount had to provide separate programmes. At the Mount, hockey was played in the early morning, C (M.G.) Company winning. A voluntary shoot and pool bull were running at the same time, but these lasted far longer than had been anticipated. C.S.M. Hart, with his last five rounds, won the cup presented by Uberoi, for the highest aggregate score, C.Q.M.S. Hewett being runner-up. Pte. Bull was the only man in the Company to score a pool bull, a case of Bull by name and bull by nature.

After tea we had a football and swimming programme. The football was a six-a-side tournament with mixed teams drawn from both companies, L./Cpl. Deane's team being the winners. C (M.G.) Company took the majority of the prizes for the swimming; Pte. Sturme was runner-up in the Diving Competition, with No. 16 Platoon runners-up in the Inter-Platoon 200 Yards Relay.

At 8 p.m. a concert was held in the theatre; here we did shine, as most of the talent was supplied by D Company, Pte. Molloy taking the prize for the best individual turn.

Several whist drives have been held in the Company; each seems to be an improvement on the last, and attendances have been quite up to standard, but some are still dodging it. We hope to see them present in future. The Company Jazz Band is going great guns; many a pleasant evening has been spent to their accompaniment. We trust they will continue to prosper.



1.—C (M.G.) Company Cross-Country Team.

2, 3 and 4.—Drums.

The death of Cpl. Palmer, of this Company, is greatly felt by all ranks. He was a very popular N.C.O. with all. We tender our deepest sympathy to his relatives.

DRUMS NOTES.

At the time of writing, most of the Drummers are having their annual leave at Bangalore, where they are thoroughly enjoying themselves. It is rumoured that Pte. Bond has not got out of bed since he arrived there.

The six-a-side football, which was played on Albuhera Day, was won by the Drums and Employed Group, who defeated the Band in the final after a very keen game by 2 goals to 1. Our team was composed of: C.S.M. Colbourne, Ptes. Maunder and Brooker, and Dmrs. Stickley, Jones and Kelly.

The Inter-Group Hockey Tournament in H.Q. Wing is now taking place; so far we have only played one match, in which we drew with the Band.

Dmr. Stickley is to be congratulated on playing back with success for the Regimental hockey team; he also did well for the H.Q. Wing team which won the Inter-Company League.

Since our last notes were written, we have had a very enjoyable day bathing at Elliott's Beach, for which our thanks are due to Capt. Procter and his Committee. The beach is ten miles from the Fort, and we went there by bus.

We have heard recently from one or two ex-Drummers who are now in civilian life and who are apparently wishing that they were back with the Drums again, though they have quite good civilian jobs. We are very sorry to hear of ex-Dmr. Creydon's accident, which will apparently stop him from working again, and we sincerely hope that he will receive good compensation.

We should very much like to hear from ex-Dmr. Pocock again; he has written to the Drum-Major, but the letter has been mislaid and we do not know his address. We had a visit recently from Drum-Major Heath's brother, who is on leave from the Andaman Islands, and hope to see him again.

Before closing we send the Drums of the 1st Battalion our best wishes, and we

shall be very pleased to hear from any of our ex-Drummers.

KIT INSPECTION.

Hark, those words which reach my ear:
"Kit inspection day is here."
Turn out boxes, trunks and bags,
Searching for my few glad rags.
I borrow this, I borrow that—
A knife, fork, spoon, and then a hat,
Until at last a kit is there,
The number to I cannot swear.
The officer came and took a squint,
The words he said I cannot print;
But how I moaned when next I heard,
"A full kit needs this scruffy bird,"
And so my credits are depleted,
From "Blue Lights" roll my name
deleted.
What a life, to draw one-eight
Until I get a nice clean slate!

BAND NOTES.

Once again our notes are due, but, unlike the last quarter, very little has happened and we have just existed. The Battalion has been confined to the Fort and the barracks at the Mount for some weeks owing to civil disturbance, and naturally everyone has been a trifle fed up. Now the troops are allowed out in parties of four, and with the arrival of the talkies life is more enjoyable again.

In the sporting line there is very little to record, as the Company Championship is now over. H.Q. Wing finished up second, and in all sports the Band provided a good proportion of the teams. Bdsn. Pinner and Gower played for the Wing team which won the Hockey League, and Walker also shows promising form. In the Inter-Group League the Band have drawn with the Drums and Employed—a much stronger side on paper—but lost to the Signals. We were finalists in the six-a-side football played in the early morning of Albuhera Day, but did not win.

During May a picnic was arranged at Elliott's Beach. Everyone had a very enjoyable time, and we are looking forward to the next one. The Boys particularly enjoyed themselves, and the fact that the bus broke down on the way home did not damp our spirits.

We congratulate Knights, Read, Holt and Hoare on their appointment as Bandsmen, and Avery and Risely as Acting Bandsmen; also Avery and Boys Leonard, Dillon and Rolfe on being awarded their 2nd Class Certificates of Education. We hope to see some more Boys get theirs next time.

We are at present firing our Annual Course on the Beach Range; we already have eight marksmen.

is on leave in England, and at the same time we welcome Lieut. Tuckey as the Wing Commander, and Lieut. Stephenson as our Signalling Officer; the latter is at present on a course at the Signal School, Poona. We may sound a trifle previous, but, after hearing the good results of his entrance examination, we are confident that he will pass out with flying colours.

Our congratulations to Cpl. Smith on passing his A.I.'s Course at Poona, and



TAKEN AT KHELAT, BALUCHISTAN, BY
COLONEL H. D. WADE-DALTON, 1893.

Back Row.—Sgt.-Dr. M. J. O'Connell, Sergt.-Major Moore, Q.M.S. (P.M.S.) Warren.
Front Row.—Band-Sergt. Alexander, R.Q.M.S. Willis, Armr.-Sergt. Wallbank.

The Band hope to go up to Wellington in July, and are looking forward to the change of scene and climate.

SIGNALS NOTES.

Once again we have arrived at Fort St. George to assist in filling the gap left open by A Company, who have gone to the hills for a change of air.

We all wish Lieut. Clark, our late Signalling Officer, a good time whilst he

on his promotion to Corporal; also to Pte. Fisk on being Company Shot last year with a score of 102. He is at present on vocational training with Pte. 21 Smith at the Post Office.

"Saggy" Andrews has confirmed our belief that Wellington is good for other things besides a change of air, as witness his recent marksmanship in the last musketry course there.

We welcome the new class of Signallers who are at present doing quite well, and

hope that they all pass out as Signallers in the next Classification.

We had a fairly hectic time when H.M.S. *Enterprise* was in Madras recently; the Signallers played hockey and football against teams from the crew, and the friendly rivalry was continued afterwards in the wet canteen, Pte. 67 Thompson representing the Signallers with ability on this occasion.

Lieut. Tuckey took a party of the Signallers to Elliott's Beach, where we spent a most enjoyable evening which included swimming, Rugby scrums, life saving, etc., and finishing up with high tea, returning to barracks at about 7.30 p.m., everyone enthusiastic as to the pleasant time spent, and we are all looking forward to the next one.

In conclusion, we wish to express the hope that "Larry" on vocational training in the United Kingdom is going on O.K.

W. K.

A REGIMENTAL RECORD.

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April 8th, 1930.

To the Editor of "The Die-Hards."

SIR,

Through the kindly courtesy of ex-Clt.-Sergt. E. Bezar, of the 57th, and later Sergeant-Major in the New Zealand Military Force, I have become possessed of No. 6, Vol. III, November, 1929, of your very interesting journal, and can heartily assure you that the contents—adverts. and all—were "read, marked and inwardly digested" with much avidity and pleasure.

As my mother and myself are probably the last survivors of the old Corps, contemporary to Sergt. Bezar, and also the only survivor in Australia of the 57th (the last, a Sergt. Lucas, having died three years ago) who were through the Wai-kato and Taranaki, New Zealand, Maori Wars, 1860-66 inclusive, the following career of our family may have a little interest for some of your readers.

The writer is the last of the third generation of one family in a direct line which

fought, travelled and lived in the British Army, chiefly with the 57th of glorious renown, during a period of forty years, from 1835 to 1875, as the following record will show.

My grandfather was No. 2559 Pte. Edward Coughlan. He enlisted with the 49th Foot in 1835 in Ireland, and after serving in India and the China War, 1842 (Medal), was transferred to the "Die-Hards," with which regiment he saw much service abroad—India and Crimea (Medal and Clasps, Inkerman, Balaclava, Sevastopol, and Turkish Medal). Invalided at termination of hostilities, and discharged with full pension on completion of twenty-one years' service. He was wounded at the Crimea.

My father was No. 2701 Hubert Coughlan, born January 20th, 1840, at Dinapore, Madras Presidency, East Indies. Enlisted on his fourteenth birthday (January 20th, 1854) in the 57th, then stationed at Corfu, and as a special favour from his Colonel was given permission to accompany his father with the Regiment to the Crimea, where they landed at Alma in September, 1854, just too late to participate in that action. He served throughout the whole balance of the campaign as bugler, and took his place in the trenches before Sevastopol along with the rest, and was present at every engagement up to and including the fall of Malakoff and the capitulation and evacuation of Sevastopol by the Russian Army, for which he received medal and clasps (Inkerman, Balaclava and Sevastopol) and the Turkish Medal.

In connection with the presentation of these medals (which, by the way, were served up in a tin dish at the seat of war), he objected that the one handed to him had only two clasps, and on this fact having been pointed out to his Company Captain (afterwards Major-General John Street), he (the Captain) said, "As you have well earned it, my boy, I'll see that you receive your third clasp." And he did.

My father had the unique distinction of being at the one time the youngest and smallest soldier in the Allied Armies—14 years 9 months of age, and 4 ft. 7 in. in height.

On one occasion, when there was a cessation of hostilities (during the Russian

Holy Week), and officers and men of both sides fraternized, he was taken by a Russian officer of Engineers behind their lines into Sevastopol and exhibited with great amusement as a specimen of the soldiers of the British Army sent out to fight their giants. However, he was returned in safety to his father, loaded with sweetmeats and fruit, and I have often heard him remark on the comfortable quarters of the Russians compared with the hardship of the Allies in the trenches and on snow-covered ground and short rations.

The incident of the death of Col. Shadforth was always fresh in his memory, and he frequently stated that the Colonel apparently had a premonition that he would not survive the next time he went into action.

Whilst assisting a medical officer with the wounded at the close of the engagement between the French and Russian armies in the Tchernayer Valley, my father picked up a replica of a miniature portrait of the Empress Eugenie of France. This article is still in our possession, and after a lapse of seventy-five years is still in the same state of preservation as when found on the field of battle, and is considered by many to be an article of great interest, and as a likeness of the late ex-Empress well worthy of a place among a collection of curios.

Of course he was a witness of the never-to-be-forgotten Charge of the Light Brigade, immortalized by Tennyson, from start to finish.

On the withdrawal of the Allied Armies the Regiment went to Malta, and towards the end of 1857 proceeded to India via Alexandria and Suez. This being in the days before the Canal, the journey had to be made across the desert on donkeys, arriving in India just in time to be too late for the Mutiny Medal, although a great deal of forced night marching had to be done through the jungle wilds.

In 1859 the Regiment was again ordered on active service, in New Zealand, where the natives were causing a great deal of trouble.

They arrived in Taranaki in January, 1860, and remained in the Colony until 1867, seeing much active service before returning to the United Kingdom (Manchester) in September, 1867.

Married, in January, 1862, Theresa Ann Young, the daughter of a Taranaki settler, and had issue one daughter and three sons, of whom I am the sole survivor (aged 67), and at present residing with my mother (aged 85). I was the first baby boy born in the Regiment during the Maori campaign, and was made a pet of by the Band, to which by this time my father belonged (cornet and flute). At this time there were seven members of the family with the old Corps, and my Uncle Jim was considered one of the best musicians in the Band. His instrument was the E-flat clarinet, and on one occasion, at a garden party given by the Colonel, he played the solo parts on six different instruments.

As stated above, the Regiment returned to the United Kingdom in 1867, and after having been stationed at Manchester, Devonport, Aldershot, Kinsale, Camden Fort, Clare Castle, Limerick, and finally the Curragh, Kildare, embarked again, on Christmas Eve, 1873, for foreign service, this time Ceylon. Here, on receiving a civil appointment, viz., manager of the Kandy Industrial School, he took his discharge after having spent the whole of his thirty-five years of an adventurous career with the British Army, twenty-one years as a soldier in the "Die-Hards," finishing up with the rank of Sergeant. Nearly eighteen years of this period were spent on foreign and active service, the hardest part of which was the period between his 14th and 18th birthdays, which by a strange anomaly does not count towards what was the height of his ambition to possess, viz., the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

There are two incidents which occurred during our residence in the Isle of Spices that are worthy of note. The first of these was the meeting again with his former Captain—he who had handed out the medals in the Crimea—now Major-General Street, Commander-in-Chief of Forces in Ceylon.

The General was greatly pleased, and stated that he was proud to see him again and delighted to think that the little boy who was through the arduous Crimean campaign with him was making his way in the world so successfully.

The other occasion was when the late King Edward, as Prince of Wales, at the

close of the Investiture of the Governor of Ceylon (Mr. William Gregory) with the Order K.C.M.G., suddenly, observing my father with his medals, stopped and inquired how so young a man became possessed of them, and on his visit next day to the Industrial School had quite a long and friendly chat with him as to his career.

After remaining in Ceylon for six years it was decided, as the family was growing up, to settle in New Zealand, where his wife's people still resided, and so we once again got the route and landed in God's Own Country in May, 1880. In 1888 we were again on the move (the final). This time to Australia (Melbourne), where things were booming (and bursting), and after being in business for himself for nine years his adventurous career was suddenly brought to a close at the early age of 57 years, as he died in his sleep from heart failure. The end was totally unexpected, he appearing to be in his ordinary robust state of health on going to bed. However, Kismet!

My mother, who is still living and in her 85th year, was born at Hobart Town, Tasmania, in 1846, and went to New Zealand with her parents in 1850, who took up land in the Taranaki district.

She married my father in 1862 at the age of 16, and had four children, of whom I am the only survivor.

She enjoys fairly good health, and, except for slightly defective hearing, retains all her faculties, her memory being especially keen, and she often gets into a reminiscent mood and recalls many interesting events which took place during her sojourn fourteen years or so with the "Die-Hards," and well remembers Miss and Mr. Logan (mentioned in your journal as having recently visited the Regiment) as the children of Col. Logan, in Ti Aivamutu, 1867, at the close of the Waikato trouble—at least, so far as the Regiment was concerned, as shortly after we were ordered home.

She was present and saw the mutilated bodies of Capt. Tragget and Dr. Hope, together with seven others of the rank and file who were brought into New Plymouth after a Maori ambush, and also on the occasion of another party having been cut off and butchered: this was when

Capt. Lloyd's headless body was brought in.

One feels, somehow, as if one could go on for ever with yarns about the famous old Corps, but I am afraid I have already taxed your forbearance with this long screed.

I enclose herewith money order for 6s., being for two years' subscription, from February of this year, to the Journal; also I should be glad to have the previous Volumes, I and II, and on receiving a communication as to how to obtain same and the cost thereof, I will forward a remittance for the amount.

I append a list of various articles in our possession which it is our intention to forward to the Headquarters of the Regiment should you think they would be worthy of a place in your Museum, which I note you have just started.

And now I will close for the present, with all best wishes for the future of the Regiment in which so many of our family came into the world—and special kind regards to the Sergeants' Mess, the Band and also No. 10 or K Company, in which my father spent so many years of his life.

I am,

Yours faithfully,
J. CLEMENT COUGHLAN.

P.S.—If acceptable, will forward photographs by a future mail on hearing to that effect.

LIST OF ARTICLES IN POSSESSION OF MRS. T. A. COUGHLAN, IN CONNECTION WITH THE 57TH REGIMENT.

Medals.—China War, 1842: Pte. 2559 Edward Coughlan; also Crimea with three clasps, and Turkish, 1854-56.

Medals.—Sergt. 2701 Hubert Coughlan; Crimea, three clasps, and Turkish, 1854-56. New Zealand, 1860-66. Badge for band-music pouch. (All the above are in a specially made frame from wood grown in Ceylon and manufactured by a boy in the Kandy Industrial School.)

The first and only clothes-brush issued to Hubert Coughlan on enlistment, Corfu, 1854.

Small Books, Hubert Coughlan, 1854-75; Sergeant's shell jacket, Raglan Barracks, Devonport, 1869.

Discharge, Sergt. Coughlan, Colombo, Ceylon, 1875.

Medallion portrait (replica), Empress Eugenie of France; picked up by Bugler Hubert Coughlan on battlefield, Crimea, 1854-56, whilst attending wounded with M.O.

Pair of gloves, Sergt. Coughlan, Curragh, Kildare, Ireland, 1873.

Group photograph of Band, Kinsale, Ireland, about 1872.

Miniature photographs (in frame) of Sergeants of 1st and 2nd Battalions (57th and 77th), taken at Devonport, 1869.

I dare say this list can be added to, as we have a number of other articles I cannot just at present call to mind.—J. C. C.

DEPOT NOTES.

ON April 16th, the Depot enjoyed an excellent concert, provided by the N.A.A.F.I. Concert Party.

During Easter the Depot became the station for the 8th Battalion, who were busy carrying out training.

On May 16th, "Der Tag," we were unfortunately unable to play an all-ranks' cricket match, as the ground was not in a fit condition. The dance in the evening, however, proved a great success.

During May, a two days' recruits' boxing meeting was held, and some very good talent was discovered, plus some excellent fighting spirit.

On May 28th, fifty recruits witnessed the dress rehearsal of the Royal Tournament, being conveyed there by charabancs.

On May 30th a party of 100 went to the Horse Guards to witness the dress rehearsal of the King's Birthday Parade, but, owing to heavy rain, the recruits were unfortunately debarred from witnessing this sight, the parade being postponed.

On May 31st, the local Gas Works held their Sports on our ground, when a 440 yards race, open to the Depot only, was an item. We also took part in an open relay, but without success.

On June 4th Mrs. Pargiter opened the Welfare Centre and Social Club in barracks. Hopes are high for its future, which remains in the hands of the families living in barracks.

Congratulations to Cpl. Brightman on his high jumping at the Sports. We hope to see him jumping for the Regimental team before long.

Several ladder games of passball have been played. The Officers and W.Os. have climbed from the bottom to the top. The present position is as follows:—

1, Officers and W.Os.; 2, Sergeants; 3, Ladysmith; 4, Nivelle; 5, Privates (Depot Staff); 6, Corporals.

We were pleased to have Capt. R. Paiba at the Sports, when he saw his cup being competed for for the first time.

Major-General C. G. Fuller, Major-General i/c Administration, and Col. Hon. M. C. A. Drummond, A.Q.M.G., Eastern Command, visited the Depot on July 10th.

SPORTS AND OLD COMRADES' GATHERING.

On Friday, June 27th, we were fortunate in having a fine day for the Annual Sports and Old Comrades' Gathering. A full report of the Sports appears in separate notes. There was a large gathering of Old Comrades on the ground, and many stayed on to the dance in the evening. Many old friends met again, and it was a case of trying to get a word in edgeways.

GAZETTE.

BIRTHS.

7808649 Sergt. E. Shaw: Son, Peter Brian Linfield, born at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, London, on 29/3/30.

6188949 R.Q.M.S. W. Pilley: Son, Douglas Stanley, born at Mill Hill on 3/4/30.

6102434 L./Sergt. J. O'Brien: Son, Denis Peter, born at Mill Hill on 9/4/30.

6190886 Sergt. S. Mason: Daughter, Eileen Ethel May, born at Mill Hill on 16/4/30.

POSTINGS.

6197619 Cpl. A. Lawrence: Posted from 1st Battalion, 4/4/30, for a tour of duty.

6197621 L./Cpl. A. Nicholls: Posted from 1st Battalion, 18/4/30, for a tour of duty.

6198776 L./Cpl. H. Ramsden and 6198928 L./Cpl. A. Brown: Posted from 1st Battalion, 20/5/30, for a tour of duty.

COURSES OF INSTRUCTION.

6193751 Sergt. A. Wright: Attended Course of Instruction at Military College of Science, from 17/3/30 to 22/3/30, in Method of Keeping Rifles No. 1, Marks III and IIIA, and No. 2, Mark IV, in order, and "Passed."

6197619 Cpl. A. Lawrence: Attended Fire Fighting Course at Aldershot, from 1/3/30 to 14/3/30, and "Qualified to Instruct."

6193751 Sergt. A. Wright: Attended a Course of Instruction, from 24/3/30 to 29/3/30, at Military College of Science in Method of Keeping .303 Lewis Gun in order, and obtained "Certificate of Proficiency."

6192161 Sergt. H. Tisdale: Attended No. 22 L.Q. Course at Small Arms School, Hythe Wing, from 20/1/30 to 28/3/30, and obtained "Q.1."

CERTIFICATES OF EDUCATION.

6196949 Pte. A. Greene: Awarded 1st Class Certificate of Education ("Distinguished" in Mathematics) at an examination held at Catterick Camp in March, 1930.

2604867 L./Sergt. G. Blake (1st Battalion) and 6194542 L./Sergt. W. Northcott (1st Battalion): Awarded 1st Class Certificates of Education at an examination held at Mill Hill in March, 1930.

6198363 Pte. J. Morgan and 6196919 Dmr. F. Ravenscroft: Awarded 2nd Class Certificates of Education at an examination held at Catterick Camp on 26/3/30.

The undermentioned were awarded 3rd Class Certificates of Education during the past quarter:—

6199261 Pte. F. Armitage, 6199273 Pte. R. Thurlborn, 6199270 Pte. S. Powell, 6199265 Pte. E. Hayward, 6199418 Pte. O. Gardner, 6199283 Pte. W. Price, 6199419 Pte. F. Chisholm, 6198915 Pte. E. Saunders, 6199253 Pte. J. Collison, 6199230 Pte. J. Buckell, 6199274 Pte. G. Chandler, 6607725 Pte. C. Butler, 6199402 Pte. W. Hance, 6199429 Pte. F. Smith, 6199493 Pte. W. Gambrell, 6199423 Pte. H. Williamson, 6527231 Pte. H. Lockyer, 6199406 Pte. E. Gould, 6199269 Pte. W. Sheen, 6197849 Pte. T. Dehnel, 6199294 Pte. H. Naylor, 6199400 Pte. J. Fowler, 6199403 Pte. G. James, 6199282 Pte. H. Price.

DISCHARGES AND TRANSFERS TO ARMY RESERVE.

6195685 L./Cpl. A. Turner: Transferred to Section B, Army Reserve, on 17/4/30.

6188525 Sergt. C. Banfield: Discharged under K.R. 370 (xxi) on 25/4/30.

6195713 Cpl. S. Cudmore: Transferred to Section B, Army Reserve, on 7/5/30.

6189863 Cpl. E. Noakes, 6193088 L./Cpl. P. Godfrey and 2206657 Cpl. H. Sandle: Transferred to Section B, Army Reserve, on 8/5/30.

EXTENSIONS OF SERVICE.

6191047 Sergt. E. Hazeldine: Re-engaged for the Middlesex Regiment on 17/4/30 for such a period as shall complete 21 years' service.

6191707 C.Q.M.S. S. Steadman: Re-engaged for the Middlesex Regiment on 21/1/30 for such a period as shall complete 21 years' service.

PROMOTIONS.

6196037 L./Cpl. C. Sneesby: Promoted Corporal, 6/4/30, *vice* Meakins, to Army Reserve.

LONG SERVICE AND GOOD CONDUCT MEDALS.

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With Gratuity.

6188812 Ctr.-Sergt. G. N. Capel, 6189488 Cpl. W. J. Overton, 6189483 Pte. S. Dark, 6188787 Pte. H. E. Mynott.

DEPOT CRICKET.

Although the efforts of the Depot cricket team have not exactly been crowned with success, nevertheless we have enjoyed every match we have played.

The results up to date are as follows:—
Played, 6; won, 2; lost 4.

The first match which we won was entirely due to Sergt. O'Brien, who, in addition to taking 5 wickets for 24 runs, made a sparkling 62.

We had a very pleasant day at Kingston against the Depot The East Surrey Regiment, who ran up the useful score of 242. Our bowlers proved of little avail that day, and "Mr. Extras" was also a great help to their side. Thanks to a very useful 79 by Major Pargiter, we were able

to retaliate with the respectable score of 159.

We hope to be able to report more success in the near future.

SPORTS NOTES.

The outstanding event of this quarter was the Depot Athletic Meeting, which took place on Friday, June 27th. The Clerks of the Course and the Weather were in excellent form. The individual

Recruits' 220 Yards.—1, Pte. 22 Smith (Ladysmith); 2, Pte. Gambrell (Nivelle); 3, Pte. Faith (Ladysmith).

Recruits' 440 Yards.—1, Pte. Leahy (Nivelle); 2, Pte. Holliday (Nivelle); 3, Pte. Faith (Ladysmith).

Recruits' Long Jump.—1, Pte. 29 Smith (Ladysmith); 2, Pte. Ling (Ladysmith); 3, Pte. Holliday (Nivelle).

Recruits' High Jump.—1, Pte. Broughton (Nivelle); 2, Pte. Gambrell (Nivelle); 3, Pte. Holliday (Nivelle).



DEPOT SPORTS—SHIELDS AND PRIZES.

championship was won by Pte. Leahy (Nivelle), an athlete of distinct promise.

The Paiba Cup, for the best loser throughout the meeting was competed for for the first time, and was won by Pte. Burrell (Nivelle).

The Squad Championship went to Nivelle Squad (Sergt. Wright).

Mrs. Pargiter very kindly presented the prizes at the conclusion of the meeting.

Detailed results were as follows:—

Recruits' 100 Yards.—1, Pte. 22 Smith (Ladysmith); 2, Pte. Faith (Ladysmith); 3, Pte. Holliday (Nivelle).

Recruits' Heaving Shot.—1, Pte. Leahy (Nivelle); 2, Pte. Betteridge (Ladysmith); 3, Pte. Dehnel (Nivelle).

Open 100 Yards.—1, L./Cpl. Brown (D.S.); 2, Pte. Mann (D.S.); 3, Cpl. Cpl. Sneesby (D.S.).

Open 220 Yards.—1, L./Cpl. Brown (D.S.); 2, Pte. Mann (D.S.); 3, Pte. 22 Smith (Ladysmith).

Open 880 Yards.—1, Pte. Cooper (D.S.); 2, Cpl. Sneesby (D.S.); 3, Pte. Leahy (Nivelle).

Open One Mile.—1, Pte. Cooper (D.S.); 2, Pte. Leahy (Nivelle); 3, Pte. Armstrong (D.S.).

Open Three Miles.—1, Pte. Cooper (D.S.); 2, Pte. Hutchinson (D.S.); 3, Pte. Leahy (Nivelle).

Open Throwing Discus.—1, Pte. Leahy (Nivelle); 2, C.S.M. Cook (D.S.); 3, Cpl. Holt (D.S.).

Corporals' Race.—1, L./Cpl. Brown; 2, Cpl. Sneesby; 3, Cpl. Lawrence.

Sergeants' Race.—1, Sergt. Wright; 2, Sergt. Mason; 3, O.R.Q.M.S. Finch.

Depot Staff High Jump.—1, Cpl. Brightman; 2, Pte. Mann; 3, L./Cpl. Brown.

Depot Staff Long Jump.—1, Cpl. Lawrence; 2, Cpl. Brightman; 3, Cpl. Coulling.

Ladies' Race (Threading Needle).—1, Mrs. Honeybun and L./Sergt. O'Brien;



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2, Mrs. Mantell and R.S.M. Mantell; 3, Mrs. Wright and Sergt. Wright.

Sack Race.—1, Cpl. Coulling (D.S.); 2, Cpl. Holt (D.S.); 3, Pte. Armstrong (D.S.).

Four-legged Race.—1, Pte. Westgarth, Pte. Thorne and Dmr. Course (D.S.); 2, Ptes. Garnish, Mann and Armstrong (D.S.).

Potato Race.—1, Pte. Lee (Ladysmith); 2, Cpl. Coulling (D.S.); 3, Pte. Broughton (Nivelle).

Children's Race, Girls.—1, Dorothy Endersby; 2, Joan Paterson; 3, Betty Cook.

Children's Race, Boys.—1, Peter Cook; 2, William Pilley; 3, Bertie Clark.

Veterans' Race.—1, Major English; 2, Mr. Harrigan; 3, R.S.M. Mantell.

Pillow Fighting.—1, Cpl. Holt (D.S.); 2, Pte. Dehnel (Nivelle); 3, Pte. Hance (Nivelle).

Inter-Squad Relay.—1, Nivelle (Ptes. Gambrell, Dehnel, Holliday and Leahy).

Recruits' Tug-of-War.—Nivelle (Ptes. Dehnel, Hance, James, Hunt, Sheen, Court, Holliday, Burrell, Lawton and Hinton).

Inter-Mess Relay.—Corporals' Team (Cpl. Coulling, Cpl. Lawrence, L./Cpl. Brown and Cpl. Sneesby).

Individual Championship.—Pte. Leahy (Nivelle), 15 points.

Squad Championship.—Nivelle Squad (Sergt. Wright), 36 points.

Paiba Cup.—Pte. Burrell (Nivelle), 6 points.

SERGEANTS' MESS NOTES.

We open our contribution this quarter with a hearty welcome to three members who have joined us from the 1st Battalion, namely, Sergt. Brockman and L./Sergts. Soper and Goss, although we regret having to say farewell to L./Sergts. Honeybun and Bayles on their leaving to explore the realms of Catterick, and, before passing on, we must congratulate L./Sergt. Bayles on his appointment.

In the fortnightly team shoots we retain our position at the top of the ladder. A whist drive and dance was held on April 25th. Eleven tables were filled, and a very pleasant evening was extended until 2 a.m. The successful players were:—

Ladies.—1, Mrs. Blake; 2, Mrs. Soper.

Gents.—1, C.S.M. Cook; 2, Sergt. Paterson.

Some well-contested games were seen in a billiards handicap held in April, the final prize-winners being Sergts. Paterson and Hazeldene. This was followed in May by a skittles tournament, in which the "All Blacks" were well to the fore and some shaky shots witnessed. The winners were Sergts. Paterson and Hazeldene, and C.S.M. Cook.

A tennis At Home was held recently which was favoured by fine weather. Table tennis and a good wireless programme helped forward an excellent afternoon's entertainment on the court, followed by a well-arranged tea party. A tennis ladder has been commenced for the Depot as a whole. At present, C.Q.M.S. Steadman shares the top rung with R.Q.M.S. Pilley.

A large number of friends were encouraged to renew acquaintance by the fine

weather conditions on the Depot Sports day. Old Comrades especially were very much in evidence. As the detail of results is quoted elsewhere, suffice it to say that by the time the prize-giving arrived, all were agreed that they had spent a very enjoyable day and were quite ready to carry on with the dance which followed. This commenced in the Gymnasium at 8.30 p.m., and it was not long before "Standing room only" was the cry. The dance continued very successfully until the early hours of the morning, when the usual mutual arrangements for journeys were made. Great credit is due to the Recreation Committee for the quarter, who have been ably guided by C.Q.M.S. Steadman.

Congratulations to Sergt. Mason on being presented with a daughter; and also to Sergt. Northcott and L./Sergt. Blake on obtaining the 1st Class Certificate of Education.

CORPORALS' MESS NOTES.

Once again we are attempting to write a few words for the Journal.

First of all, we wish to congratulate L./Sergt. Bayles on his appointment, but at the same time are sorry to lose him and Cpl. Little on their joining the 1st Battalion. Many of us are wondering if they are thankful that their tour of duty is over?

We extend a hearty welcome to Cpls. Paterson and Chillery, and to L./Cpl. Brown. We hope that they will have a successful tour at the Depot.

On June 27th, the Depot held their Annual Sports, the Corporals doing very well, considering the small number of members in the Mess.

At the end of the day the Corporals joined with the Sergeants and the Depot Privates in giving a dance, which turned out to be a huge success, the Band being excellent.

We are more fortunate than our brothers of the 2nd Battalion at such times as these dances, as we are able to see our old comrades, many of them late of the 2nd Battalion.

We are very anxious to find out who owns "The Girl Friend." Is he married? We say nothing, but we see he has to borrow his rival's gramophone records for her. "Partners in crime,"

perhaps. We believe he is going to Catterick in the near future; then, maybe, she will have gramophone as well.

In the fortnightly team shoots we are resting on the bottom rung of the ladder, but have great hopes of doing better in the near future.

Perhaps we are considered rather inquisitive, but we would like to know *why* a certain N.C.O. has been out *every* night for the past three months on P.P. Not to get fresh air, we're certain!

We are all getting brown knees as the result of wearing shorts during the summer, but we all agree that brown knees are much healthier than brown ales.

We must now wish our friends "au revoir" until next quarter.

BRIGHT EYES.

REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION NOTES.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30TH, 1930.

Amounts of grants and loans made: £163 19s. 7d.

Number of cases dealt with: 171.

Number of cases assisted: 85.

Number of men registered for employment: 63.

Number of men found permanent employment: 23.

Number of men offered employment: 39.

Number of parcels sent out from Ladies' Guild: 21.

During the quarter two girls, aged 8 and 10 years respectively, the daughters of an ex-Company Sergeant-Major of the Regiment, have been placed in the Royal Victoria Patriotic School, Wandsworth Common.

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held at the Library, Central London Recruiting Zone, Whitehall, on April 30th. Present:—

Col. A. M. O. Anwyl Passingham, O.B.E., D.L., Brig.-Generals R. J. Ross, C.B., C.M.G., and F. G. M. Rowley, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Lieut.-Cols. W. Y. Miller, D.S.O., W. H. Samuel, F. S. Stead, D.C.M. (Hon. Treasurer), and G. W. H. Tupper, T.D.; Majors A. C. Dundas, O.B.E., and L. L. Pargiter,

D.S.O. (Hon. Secretary); Capt. B. B. Rackham, M.C. (representing 1st Battalion); R.S.M. R. Mantell, R.Q.M.S. W. Pilley, C.Q.M.S. S. F. Steadman, Mr. F. E. Holmes, Mr. E. J. Warren, and the Assistant Secretary.

The Chairman welcomed Brig.-General Ross, R.Q.M.S. Pilley and Mr. Warren on joining the Committee.

The approval of the *ex-officio* members to an amendment of Rule V was notified.

The accounts for 1929 were passed finally.

OLD COMRADES' SUMMER GATHERING.

Upwards of one hundred Old Comrades, accompanied in many cases by their wives, were present on June 27th, when the Depot Sports were made the occasion of the Summer Gathering. Col. Passingham, Chairman of the Regimental Association, was present.

OLD COMRADES' QUARTERLY CONCERT.

Owing to the Annual Dinner being held on November 1st, no concert will be held in October. The next concert will be held on Saturday, January 3rd, 1931, at the 19th London Regiment's Drill Hall, 76, High Street, Camden Town, N.W.1, at 7.30 p.m.

AREA PRESENTATION.

Col. E. E. F. Baker, D.S.O., M.C., has very kindly undertaken the office of representative in the County of Buckinghamshire.

THE BRICKLAYER.

THE craft of bricklaying is, in the opinion of many, both the oldest and the most important of the building trades.

There are probably more brick buildings in England than of any other material, and therefore brickbuilding is more in the public eye than some of the other trades. The "man in the street," seeing much of the bricklayer's work, dis-

cusses how many bricks should be laid per day, along with many other highly technical questions which he does not understand.

It is a point of interest that the ancient Egyptians practised the art of laying bricks some 6,000 years ago.

The bricks used in those days were not hard-burnt bricks as we know them to-day, but pieces of mud dug from the banks of the Nile and dried in the sun. These bricks were laid in a manner somewhat similar to the present English bond.

Few people realize the interesting work done by a skilled bricklayer. His craft is more than laying a succession of bricks in a bed of mortar. The bricks must be laid in a correct bond with the right thickness joint. The construction of walls, door and window openings, foundations, flues, fireplaces, chimneys, etc., are all important parts of the bricklayer's trade.

Perhaps the most highly skilled and best-paid branch of the bricklayer's craft is the setting out, cutting and setting of gauged brickwork. This consists of the cutting and rubbing the bricks to definite sizes and shapes to form arches, panel mouldings, cornices, etc. It is to be regretted that many present-day bricklayers are not capable of this work, but with the big revival of beautiful brickwork there is no doubt that the younger generations of bricklayers will study the most interesting side of their craft and become skilled at the work. For this reason the students at the Aldershot Centre are specially trained in this section of the work, and a letter just received from one of the old students gives interesting information.

It says that the writer is working on a contract for seventy-five houses, and that he will get the job of cutting the gauged arches for these.

This is a feather in his cap, and to get this work shows the standard of work he can turn out is above the average civilian bricklayer.

Drainage is another important part of the bricklayer's work: drains have to be laid with correct fall, joints soundly made and manholes and inspection chambers built by him.

In many parts of the country the bricklayer is responsible for covering roofs

with slates and tiles, and therefore must be familiar with the methods of fixing these.

It will be interesting to compare the wages of the present-day and the old-time bricklayer.

From 1300 to 1500 the wages of the bricklayer rose from 3d. to 1s. *per day*. At that time the working day was about twelve hours, and the average number of bricks laid in a day was 1,000.

At the present time the bricklayer earns from 10s. to 15s. *per day* of eight hours, and is certainly not expected to lay 1,000 bricks.

In the sixteenth century the length of apprenticeship was nine years; in recent times it has dropped to five and in some cases three years, but the six months' intensive training at the Vocational Training Centre has been found to give results equal to both.

From the foregoing it will be gathered that the skilled bricklayer of to-day has a very interesting and congenial job, and is something more than a brick-layer!



7th BATTALION NOTES.

THESE notes will no doubt be read by us all during Annual Training, as we shall be at Beaulieu Heath during the period July 27th to August 10th, and shall receive the August issue then. The general impression is that the camp will prove a most popular one. A full account of our time spent there will be published in the next issue of the Journal.

Our heartiest congratulations are extended to Lieuts. Arnold, Brown and Pratt on their recent promotion to Captain. Lieut. E. G. W. Amor has been compelled to resign his commission on account of ill-health. His departure brings the number of officers down to twenty, this being the lowest since Annual Training last year. We are very pleased, however, to say that there are more than sufficient applications coming forward to fill the vacancies, and we hope to have twenty-three officers by the end of the Territorial Army year.

The recruiting of other ranks is extremely satisfactory, and at the time of writing our strength is 450, this being 70

stronger than we were at the same period last year. It is therefore anticipated that we shall be 400 strong in Camp. One cannot impress too strongly upon all those serving with the Battalion the necessity of increasing our strength up to its establishment, and it is felt that this can be done without difficulty if all those at present serving will bring along their friends to join us.

The past quarter has been somewhat uneventful. The Machine Gunners have done some valuable training on several Sundays in the vicinity of Crews Hill; and the Signallers in the Bayford district; whilst the Transport Section engaged in a rodeo at Hornsey during the Whitsuntide.

The Battalion Rifle Meeting was held at Rainham on Sunday, June 29th. Congratulations are extended to B Company on winning the Lee Memorial Shield for the second year in succession.

The following are the results:—

Lee Memorial Shield.—1, B Company (674 points); 2, D Company (661); 3, A Company (516); 4, C Company (400).

High Sheriff's Competition.—1, H.Q. Wing (387 points); 2, A Company (319); 3, B Company (291); 4, D Company (281); 5, C Company (188).

Young Soldiers' Competition.—1, D Company (201 points); 2, C Company (158); 3, B Company (131).

Lewis Gun Competition.—1, B Company (252 points); 2, A Company (197); 3, D Company (179); 4, C Company (56).

Each member of the winning team in these three competitions received money prizes.

Arnold White Cup (awarded for Inter-Company Team Shoot).—H.Q. Wing. (Team: Lieut. Hay, C.Q.M.S. Howard, Drum-Sergt. March, Sergts. Clarke, Webb and Love, and Ptes. Clarke and Rooke.)

Hornsey Vase (awarded for Inter-Company Lewis Gun Team Shoot).—B (Enfield) Company. (Team: Sergts. Cutting and Povey, and Ptes. Heard, Starr, Ridley and Freeman.)

Volunteer Cup (awarded for Inter-Company Young Soldiers' Team Shoot).—D (Tottenham) Company. (Team: Ptes. Harbutt, Henson, Milner J. Brown, Saban, Clarke, Wade and Moss.)

INDIVIDUAL PRIZES.

Officers' Cup for Best Shot amongst the Officers.—Lieut. Hay.

Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Cup, for Best Shot amongst W.O.s. and Sergeants.—1, Sergt. Love (H.Q. Wing); 2, Sergt.-Dmr. March (H.Q. Wing); 3, Sergt. Webb (H.Q. Wing).

Marksmen's Cup, Best Shot amongst All Ranks, Corporals and under.—1, Pte. Clark (H.Q. Wing); 2, Pte. Fay (D Company); 3, Pte. Blake (A Company).

Lewis Gunners' Cup, for Best Shot, all ranks, with Lewis Gun.—1, Pte. Starr (B Company); 2, Sergt. Whiting (D Company); 3, Pte. White (A Company).

Enfield Cup, for Best Shot amongst those with under two years' service.—1, Pte. Wood (B Company); 2, Pte. Williams (C Company); 3, Pte. Wade (D Company).

We were favoured with delightful weather, and the numbers attending considerably exceeded those of previous years. It was very much regretted that the Commanding Officer was not able to attend owing to sickness. A letter of regret for his non-appearance was read out to all those present.

The various trophies and medals for the competitions will be presented at the Battalion Annual Prize Distribution, which will take place in the winter.

At last it is definitely settled that we shall have new recreation rooms built at Hornsey. These are long overdue. The canteen now belongs to a bygone age, so to speak, and wears anything but a comfortable aspect. The architect's design for the new buildings is a tonic in itself, and it is hoped that when the unit reassembles after camp the canteen and drill hall will have been reconstructed on a lavish and attractive scale. When the work is finished our drill hall will challenge that of any other unit in point of style and purpose, and the boys shall bring their friends *en masse* to view the new canteen and billiard room.

The nearer the camping period draws, the greater becomes the interest in that happy breakaway from the routine of civil employment, because the more youthful Territorials revel in the change, and the seasoned "Die-Hards" "get younger every day" like the venerable Father William in the well-known Scotch ale

advertisement. The man to whom camp does not appeal has "the notions of his spirit dull as night."

The Drums, Fifes and Bugles will take part in the Territorial Army Band Displays and Competitions at Luton Charity Fête on July 5th, and evidently the organizers there are determined to make the occasion a pleasant outing for all competitors, so our boys are practising daily, marching and drumming, blowing and sweating hard under the directorship of Sergts. March and Love. If they do not bring home a prize there will be music.

H.Q. COMPANY NOTES.

We are very glad that we are now a "Company" and no longer merely a "Wing." It gives us our proper standing in the organization of the Battalion. Important changes have just taken place.

C.Q.M.S. Howard leaves us to go to A Company as Company Sergeant-Major and he takes with him our best wishes and also our thanks for all the hard work he put in for the H.Q. Company.

We welcome as our new—and first—Company Sergeant-Major (the appointment not having been previously filled) C.Q.M.S. Rymill, from A Company, and, as our new Company Quartermaster-Sergeant, Sergt. Dodgson, of D Company.

They are both thoroughly experienced and capable, and we know that we are very lucky to have them.

The Signallers, under Lieut. Womersley, have been out for several week-ends on some very instructive schemes, and the attendances have been good. We hear very good accounts of the Tottenham Signallers, and hope that Capt. Pringle will persuade some more men from Tottenham to train on as Signallers.

The Transport Section are working hard under Lieut. Hay, and have been strengthened by some promising recruits.

The Drums are hard at work practising for the Competition and Display at the Charity Fête to be held at Luton on Saturday, July 5th, and we wish them all possible success.

We hear that arrangements are rapidly nearing completion with regard to the Band, which is very good news. We

offer the Band, in advance, a hearty welcome to H.Q. Company.

We still want recruits. The only real recruiting agents are the present members of the Company, who could easily bring the Company up to strength if they persuaded their friends to join. Anyone who joins H.Q. Company has ample scope for his talents: horses, signals, drums, or band.

REWOB.

C COMPANY (HORNSEY) NOTES.

We have just finished with the Battalion Rifle Meeting. The Young Soldiers' team, firing one man short, was placed second in the Young Soldiers' Competition, and Pte. Williams was second in the running for the Enfield Cup. Of the sorry performance of the trained men in both the Rifle and L.A. Competitions, it is perhaps best to say nothing further. We can only hope that these teams will put up a better show in the Brigade Competitions at Purfleet.

During the past month or so, several have been away on courses. Both 2/Lieuts. Bartram and Benfield have just returned from the London District School of Instruction, and now Cpls. Nolan, Lerner and Aldis are away on a Drill and Tactics Course at Hyde Park.

Annual Training is now not far ahead, and the usual signs of preparation are evident. Sergt. Carter creeps furtively round the parade ground with his tug-of-war team, pulling up trees. The Company Quartermaster-Sergeant has a worried look, and a pen behind each ear. Even the Canteen Stewards are pulled from behind their counters, and now deal with another kind of barrel. Before we move to Beaulieu we shall unfortunately lose one or two T.E. men, and some more will be transferred to the London Regiment, so that our numbers will be particularly low.

In closing, we offer our congratulations to L./Cpls. Simmonds and Aldis on their recent appointments.



GOLDIE TESTIMONIAL.

From "The Manx Sun," September 6th, 1856.

A PRELIMINARY Meeting of a few friends was held at the United Service Reading Room, on Monday, the 1st of September—and at one o'clock on the following day, at the same place, there was a Public Meeting on the subject.

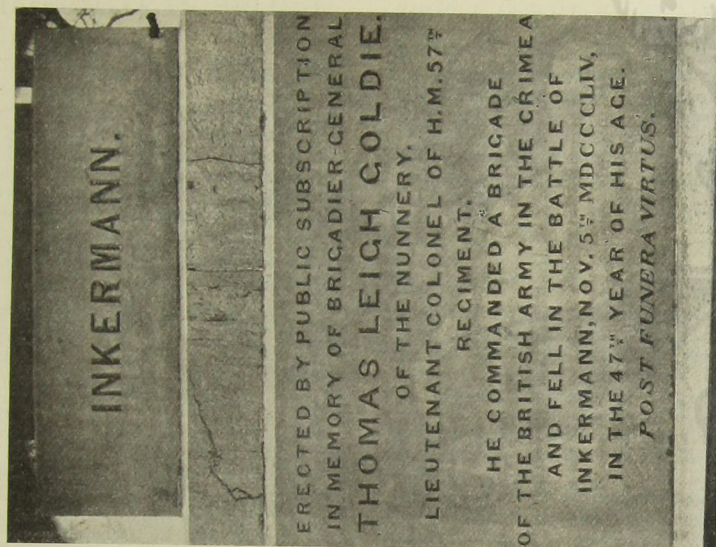
The High-Bailiff of Douglas in the chair; when the following resolutions were adopted:—

1. That in the opinion of this meeting, both as a Testimonial of personal respect, and as commemorative of our participation in the events of the late War, there ought to be in the Isle of Man, some public memorial of Brigadier General Thomas Goldie, who fell at Inkermann on the 5th of November, 1854; and that, if found practicable, there be associated with the name of this distinguished Officer the names of any others belonging to this Island, who may be ascertained to have lost their lives in action in the service of their country in the Crimea.

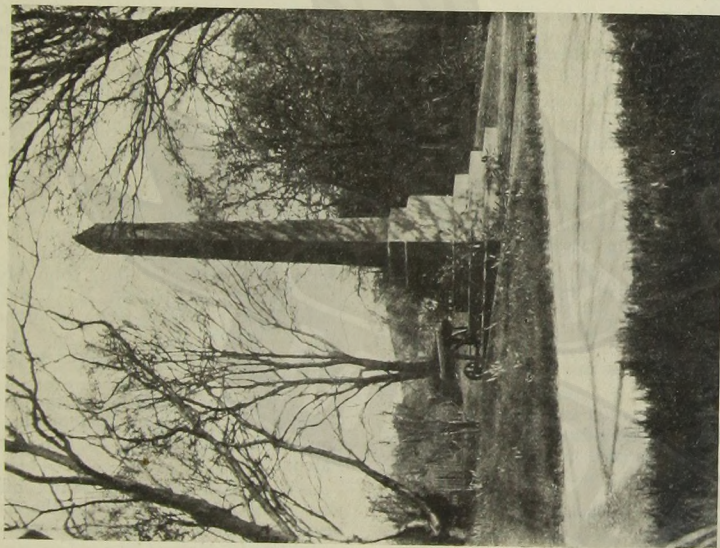
2. That the following gentlemen be a committee for the purpose of soliciting contributions, determining the nature of the memorial, and otherwise carrying this object into effect:—the Attorney General, the Clerk of the Rolls, the Archdeacon, the Vicar-General, the High-Bailiffs of Castletown, Douglas, Peel, and Ramsey, Col. Shum, Col. Clements, Col. Griffiths, Major Bacon, Capt. Cameron, Lieut. Landor, R.N., the Collector of Customs at Douglas, Messrs. Lloyd Jones, J. B. Harrison, G. W. Dumbell, Samuel Harris, William Gell, Lewis Crebbin, John Harris, James G. Gelling, John Mylrea, John Quayle, Castletown, E. C. Farrant, Ballakillingan, Evan Gell, Whitehouse; W. F. Moore, Treasurer, and Richard Quirk, Secretary, with power to add to their number.

3. That His Excellency the Lieut.-Governor be requested to lend his sanction to the undertaking by becoming its Patron.

4. That the following Manx officers, who were with the army in the Crimea be requested to become members of the committee:—Major Quayle, Captain Mac-



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donald, Lieutenant Parsons, R.N. (Naval Brigade), and Lieutenant Edward Gawne.

5. No contributions to exceed one Guinea; and as embracing sentiment and good feeling, all Persons of every condition of life, who regard themselves as in any way belonging to the Isle of Man, and feel thankful for the Blessings of Peace, are solicited to enrol their names as Contributors.

SENHOUSE WILSON, Chairman.
Douglas, September 2nd, 1856.

[Followed by list of subscribers.]

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From "Jenkinson's Guide to the Isle of Man," 1878, page 32.

In the drive to the house is a handsome obelisk, about 35 feet high, which was erected by public subscription, to the memory of Brigadier-General Thomas Leigh Goldie, of the Nunnery, who was Lieutenant-Colonel of H.M. 57th Regiment, and commanded a Brigade of the British Army in the Crimea, and fell in the battle of Inkermann, November 5th, 1854, in the 47th year of his age. The gun at the base of the monument was presented by the British Government. It was captured from the Russians during the Crimean War.

8th BATTALION NOTES.

WE all welcome Lieut.-Col. W. H. Parmeter, who has now taken over command of the Battalion, and congratulate him on his promotion. Lieut.-Col. Parmeter transferred from the 5th Bn. The Royal Welch Regiment in 1921, and has therefore had a long period of service with the 8th. We feel sure that all ranks will give him loyal support, and that the high traditions of the Battalion will be fully maintained during his period of command.

Major Sherbrooke-Walker has taken over the duties of Second-in-Command, and we congratulate him on his promotion.

The Birthday Honours include Capt. Maddex, who has been made M.B.E. (Military Division). We offer him hearty congratulations upon this honour, and also on his promotion.

We are glad to welcome 2/Lieut. T. L. Marks, 2/Lieut. E. C. K. Sadler, E. F. Miskin and F. C. Davey, who recently have been gazetted.

We deeply regret to record the death of a former officer of the Battalion, Denis Murphy, who served with us after the war, and was killed in the recent riots in India, while on duty in the Indian Police.

The following officers have attended courses recently at the London District School of Instruction:—2/Lieut. E. C. A. Wheeler, Machine Gun; 2/Lieut. H. L. V. Russell, Drill and Tactics; 2/Lieut. R. H. Northcott, Barr and Stroud.

The Battalion was represented by six officers at the Brigade Tactical Exercise, which was held at Crowborough in May.

The Battalion, represented by D Company, obtained second place in the Brigade Winter Weapon Training Competition. We congratulate D, who made a really good fight in the Competition, and who only lost to the 9th Battalion by a narrow margin.

In Part I of the Brigade Machine Gun Competition, we were represented by B Company, and obtained 3rd place. There is not much in it at present, and with a little luck and plenty of judgment in Part II, we hope to pull off the Competition.

Since our last notes were written, the Battalion has been very busy with training in various ways.

Firing took place at Bisley during May and early June, and 277 All Ranks completed their course.

Attachments to the Depot at Mill Hill are becoming increasingly popular, and at Easter five officers and 59 Other Ranks underwent three days' training, while personnel of the Transport Section were attached to the 17/21st Lancers at Hounslow.

At Whitsuntide there was still a large muster for attachment, as one officer and 76 Other Ranks went to Mill Hill, and 28 Other Ranks of B (M.G.) Company to the Depot, Royal Fusiliers.

This is, indeed, a "Territorial Year" for the Regular Army, and we much appreciate the help which has been given to us, and live in hopes of more to come at Annual Training, when several regu-

lar officers of the Regiment are to be attached to us.

Battalion Tactical Exercises were held near Farnborough early in April, and there were excellent attendances, no less than 69 Officers and N.C.Os. being present at the second of the two Exercises.

Forthcoming events are the Brigade Machine Gun Exercise (Officers') at Hythe, early in July, Officers' Riding Classes at Northolt Manor Riding School, and a reconnaissance of the Training Areas in the New Forest by certain Officers a week before Camp. A Battalion representative has already spied out the land and brought back a report of a land flowing with good Hampshire ale. Annual Training should be a great success.

The Divisional Cross Country Run was held at Coulsdon early in April, and our hearty congratulations are due to Pte. Hooper, B Company, who was first man home. The Battalion took fourth place, which was gratifying.

The Officers held a Guest Night in the Mess on May 16th, at which several guests were present.

The 8th Middlesex Old Comrades' Reunion Dinner was held at the Drill Hall on May 28th, and about 150 past and present members of the Battalion were present. Col. Dams was in the chair, and a most successful evening was spent, of which a full account has appeared in the local press.

We congratulate the Transport Section, who competed at the Ealing Horse Show on Whit Monday with a G.S. Wagon, and carried off the 1st Prize, and were awarded a certificate and medallion. We congratulate the Transport Officer (2/ Lieut. K. V. Russell), Pte. Eyles, the driver, and Pte. Saddler, the brakesman.

The Officers' Riding Classes at Northolt Manor Riding School have been a huge success. We all sympathize with the officer who fell off so often that he ruined a new pair of riding breeches.

The most successful parade of the year was held at Hounslow on Sunday, June 29th. Fifteen Officers and 174 Other Ranks, including the Band and Drums, attended. The Battalion marched to Hounslow Heath, where Platoon training was carried out. After lunch twenty minutes was devoted to arms drill.

The weather was kind, and at the conclusion of the parade we all felt we had done something worth while.

We welcome C.S.M. Goodall as Permanent Staff Instructor to Headquarter Wing. The 1st Battalion's loss is our gain, and we hope his tour of duty with the Battalion will be a happy one.

We bid good-bye to A/R.S.M. Pelly. His abilities as an organizer are beyond praise. We wish to take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. Pelly for the interest she has taken in the Battalion. The dinners provided by her for the Officers have always been a success, and we especially thank her for her help in connection with Company social matters. We wish them every success in civil life.

HEADQUARTER WING NOTES. (HOUNSLOW).

The chief events since our last notes were written has been the transfer of the Machine Gunners to B Company at Ealing, but as they still carry out their drills at Hounslow, the change will not be noticeable until Camp, and apart from Annual Training, we shall hope to see as much of each other as before.

Bisley has come and gone, and some of us shot very well, and others did not.

The Miniature Range Quarterly Spoon for the December Quarter, 1929, resulted in a tie between Bandmaster Groves and Pte. Arthurs, which has now been shot off, Pte. Arthurs being the winner. The spoon for the March Quarter, 1930, was won by L./Cpl. Court. We congratulate both of these winners.

H.Q. Wing took third place in the Battalion Cross Country Run, our first man home being Pte. Kendall, who was placed sixth, and who was chosen to represent the Battalion in the Divisional Cross Country Run.

The usual monthly Club Committee Meetings are being held, and also H.Q. Wing Officers' Conferences in London.

Dances are in full swing, and the Club is being well patronized.

We welcome C.S.M. Findell, who has come to us from B Company, and we congratulate him on his promotion; also C.Q.M.S. Jones, M.C., who served during the war in the South Wales Borderers and who has also joined us recently.

A COMPANY NOTES. (HAMPTON).

The strength of the Company to date is three Officers and 79 Other Ranks. If we can keep up our average recruiting, we hope soon to attain the century.

Arrangements are now well in hand for Annual Training, which takes place from July 27th to August 10th. It is gratifying to note that the attendance this year will probably be in advance of previous years. It is rumoured that the New Forest air is the attraction, or is it the march to camp?

On Sunday, June 29th, the Company paraded with the rest of the Battalion for a Field Day on Hounslow Heath. Some very useful training was carried out, and we hope, some good lessons learnt. At 12.30 p.m. we had an interval for lunch, and made good use of the refreshments provided. They were needed.

The Band and Drums entertained us during training with selections.

During the last month C Company, Staines, defeated us at cricket by 10 runs. We hope to obtain our revenge in the near future and return the hospitality.

Our Saturday night dances are still going well, outside support giving great assistance. Credit is also due to the Committee and to C.S.M. Hillier (our M.C.) for their keenness. We hope to report greater improvement during the winter months.

B (M.G.) COMPANY NOTES. (EALING).

We congratulate our Company Commander on his promotion to the rank of Captain, and welcome the Machine Gun Platoon from Hounslow to the Company. They will still parade at Hounslow.

Congratulations to the 9th Battalion on their success in the first part of the Brigade Machine Gun Competition, but we are by no means down-hearted over our prospects for the second part.

For Easter Training we went to the Depot at Mill Hill. It was unfortunate that this was a wet Easter, and so we were forced indoors. The weather did not prevent our working, however, and we banged tripods on the barrack floors, with much zeal and, we hope, some effi-

ciency. On the last day it was fine enough to do some firing on the range.

During Whitsun week-end the Company were the guests of the Royal Fusiliers at their Depot at Hounslow. We were carefully isolated from the rest of the Battalion, who have no insight into the mysteries of a machine gunner's life.

Bisley firing is now over, and we are glad to report some good performances in spite of poor weather conditions.

Congratulations to Pte. Hooper on being first home in the Divisional Cross-Country Run.

On the social side, our Dart Club were runners-up in the Hospital Saturday Fund Competition. We understand they are determined to secure the shield next year.

We entered a team in an open relay event in the local sports, and are glad to be able to congratulate the team on winning the event.

Ptes. Hooper and Budden were also successful in the Mile (open event), securing second and third places respectively.

We respectfully wish our new Commanding Officer, Lieut.-Col. W. H. Parmeter, and the Second-in-Command, Major R. D. Sherbrooke-Walker, success in their responsible positions.

C COMPANY NOTES. (STAINES).

Cricket and Camp are the foremost thoughts of most of us, and we eagerly anticipate the joy of both.

Since the last issue of our notes, we have been doing numerous things both on the cricket and training fields; we have not met with much success in cricket. Our only excuse is that we are still unearthing the talent, and we expect to do much better next season.

We met Mr. Young's House, of Eton College, in a friendly football match, and they proved victorious by 6-3. We thoroughly enjoyed the match, and after events, which included both a bath and a glorious tea. Strict orders were issued by our hosts that what we did not eat we were to put in our pockets. This order we obediently carried out.

Recruiting in our Company seems to be progressing favourably, and the strength is gradually increasing, although the number of discharges and enlistments

into the Regular Army have been very heavy.

Those who attended spent a very enjoyable time at the Depot, Mill Hill, during the training periods of Easter and Whitsun holidays, and we sincerely hope that those two occasions will be the fore-runners of many more.

The majority of the Company completed their annual Weapon Training Course at Bisley, and on occasions the weather was unkind, but the thoughts of the Musketry Efficiency Bounty counteracts any dampening effects of the rain. We are anticipating spending an enjoyable day at Rainham on July 13th, when we fire in the Brigade Weapon Training Competitions, and hope that the weather will not be like the first syllable of the place.

Heartiest congratulations to our Company Commander, Lieut. R. E. Warlow, on his recent promotion to Lieutenant.

We extend a hearty welcome to 2/Lieuts. T. L. Marks and E. C. K. Sadler, on being posted to this Company, and we also welcome Capt. Heath-Saunders (Strathcona Horse), and Lieut. De Rees (The Welch Regt.) on being attached to us. May their attachments be long.

D COMPANY NOTES. (UXBRIDGE).

We are now in the midst of a very strenuous period of training, which always occurs just prior to Annual Training.

Bisley is over, and almost everyone has fired his annual Musketry Course. The weather was fairly kind to us—the only wet day we had being the first. The journey to Bisley and home again was made in comfort, each Company having its own charabanc.

The Weapon Training teams are to be congratulated on winning the Battalion Weapon Training Competition. This success was the outcome of weeks of hard work on the part of the teams and their instructors. In this connection we would particularly mention C.S.M. Warren, who came over from Staines to help to train the Lewis Gunners.

The teams were chosen to represent the Battalion in the Brigade Competition, which we unfortunately lost by a small

margin to the 9th Battalion. We received a visit from the Brigade Commander on the occasion of the Competition, after which he addressed the teams. We feel that in spite of the result much useful experience has been gained by the men.

Training at both Easter and Whitsun was carried out at the Depot. The weather on the first occasion was rather unfavourable for field work, but Whitsun made up for it. A strong contingent was sent by the Company on each occasion.

Our cricket team has now found its form, and commenced the season with a win over Uxbridge G.P.O. They also won their next match against the Bell Punch Works by eleven runs. Pte. Gardner took six wickets for seven runs.

The first inter-Company match was with C Company, at Staines, on the invitation of the O.C., C Company, Lieut. Warlow, and a very good time they gave us. Although we won the match rather easily, yet both teams, we are sure, thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Our batsmen were in great form—Pte. Dowler 62 not out, Pte. Ridley 20, Pte. Bruce-Reed 16, and Cpl. Jones 14. Pte. Gardner took 14 wickets for 21 runs, and L./Cpl. Taylor six for 36.

Our match with a team from the R.A.F. Depot also resulted in a win by six runs.

The team look quite smart in their new caps in the Regimental colours. In fact, on the way to Staines, people thought they were bound for Ascot.

C.S.M. Sparke umpires, and his son scores, but this, we are assured, has nothing to do with the success of the team.

Everyone is looking forward with the utmost keenness to a good time in camp, and hoping for really good weather.

BAND NOTES. (HOUNSLOW).

We are all looking forward to our annual holiday (Annual Training), and hope to be able to get some real practice in when not marching to and from the Training Area.

A Jazz Band is being formed, and we hope to play at the Company Dances on Saturdays throughout the winter. The Band is absolutely "choc-a-bloc" with engagements this year, and find little

time to follow our peaceful profession as bricklayers, carpenters, rag and bone merchants, etc. We are able to state, with some authority in consequence of having played at the various regattas and Parks within twenty miles radius of Hounslow, that when a girl sees scarlet (uniform, full dress), she immediately becomes a ? (undressed).

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VOCATIONAL TRAINING IN THE ARMY.

FEES FOR SOLDIERS.

THE War Office announces that the present flat rate fee of 7s. 6d., payable by soldiers attending courses at Army Vocational Training Centres has been replaced by the following scale of weekly fees varying according to the rank of the student:—

Lance-Corporals and Privates ...	5s.
Lance-Sergeants and Corporals	6s.
Staff-Sergeants and Sergeants	7s.
Warrant Officers, Class II.	8s. 6d.
Warrant Officers, Class I. ...	10s.

The new scale, which took effect from April 14th, will be applicable to men already undergoing courses at the Training Centres, except that Warrant Officers who are already undergoing, or have already been accepted for, courses will be required to pay fees at the 7s. 6d. rate only.

NOTES ON CIVIL EMPLOYMENT.

By LIEUT.-COL. F. K. HARDY, D.S.O.

IN the summer months employment is usually more easily found than in the winter. There is, however, little indication of any improvement at the time of writing (May). Trade generally is undoubtedly bad, and the only form of employment giving reasonable chances now, and for some time to come, is in the building trade.

Competition for unskilled jobs is extremely fierce, and cases have been

brought to my notice where applicants have had to be formed into a queue.

With the employment situation as it is, men are extremely lucky to get a start in civil life at all. Soldiers do not seem to realize that, and I notice a tendency, particularly on the part of senior ranks to try to make their own conditions with employers. This is a mistake. Employers, before calling for applicants, have decided the work, the hours, and the wages. An applicant who tries to persuade the employer to alter his decision is merely wasting his time and his energy. The important thing to-day is to get work and to earn a civilian reference. The work may not be congenial, but a recent civilian reference carries much weight, and the possessor is in a better position to move into a good job than he was when he first left the Service.

Married soldiers on leaving the Colours are faced with the housing problem. Not having had to trouble about these matters during their service, they may not be aware of some of the pitfalls. All over the country houses are being sold on the hire purchase system. Twenty-five pounds down, and the rest in rent at eighteen shillings a week sounds a reasonable proposition. So it is, if that is the sum total of the outgoings. Often, however, there are other expenses to be paid, and the prospective buyer should always ascertain if there are any other charges for which he will be liable. I refer to such things as legal charges in connection with the purchase; charges for making or maintaining the roads; the amount of the rates and taxes in the locality; the price of gas and electricity. If these charges are high, and have to be added to the hire purchase rent, the weekly outgoings may easily swamp a man's wage.

Everyone to-day is conversant with the National Health Insurance Scheme. Many seem, however, to be unaware of the many additional benefits which the big Insurance Companies provide for a slightly higher weekly payment. Some of these benefits only become available after a definite number of contributions have been paid, so that the soldier wishing to become entitled to them immediately he leaves the Army should commence his payments whilst still serving. The

advantages to be gained by such insurance appears so valuable that soldiers would be well advised to obtain particulars from the big Insurance Companies and compare their schemes.

The opportunities for employment offered by the "Married Couple" scheme at Hounslow should be better known. One couple have gone through the training, and were able to pick and choose their place. It was not a case of finding work, but deciding which of the many offers to accept.

The reduction of fees for junior ranks should be helpful to many. Soldiers should, however, remember that they must buy tools if they are to follow the trade they learn. To pay for both fees and tools whilst at an A.V.T.C. makes a large hole in weekly pay, so that the wise soldier starts saving long before he starts his vocational training.



9th BATTALION NOTES.

WHEN the last notes went to press we were all in the throes of the Weapon Training Competitions, both Battalion and Brigade, and it seems rather unkind in the midst of this hot sunny weather to harp back to the events which took place in the three most unpleasant months of the year, but as all ranks of the Battalion put in a lot of hard work in either winning or attempting to win this competition, the results must be mentioned.

Firstly, the Battalion Competition for the Sherwood Shield resulted in a win for No. 3 Platoon of A Company.

Many people were surprised at the result, but those in the know, who had witnessed the extraordinary enthusiasm of this platoon, mainly composed of young soldiers, felt that they thoroughly deserved their victory. Headed by their energetic Platoon Commander, they seemed to occupy the entire Drill Hall at Pound Lane, and even went so far as to almost oust the Band and Transport from their joint ownership of the Drill Hall on Sunday mornings. D Company, although they did not win the competition, provided the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Platoons, a result which shows a very fine average of all-round ability.

The 9th were represented by D Company in the Brigade Winter Weapon Training Competition for the third year in succession, and, thanks to their splendid Lewis gun handling, they won it once more.

The final placings were:—

1, D Coy., 9th Middlesex Regiment, 160.23 points; 2, D Coy., 8th Middlesex Regiment, 154.50 points; 3, D Coy., 7th Middlesex Regiment, 132.68 points; 4, B Coy., 5th Royal West Kent Regiment, 128.84.

The 9th were the last Battalion to be examined, and we realized that we were up against something rather formidable, as the 8th Battalion had obtained 83.06 per cent. in rifle.

Our Lewis gunners, however, came to the rescue and, by getting 83.56 per cent., assured us of victory.

Our new Machine Gun Company has also justified our high opinion by winning Part I of the Machine Gun Competition.

The results of Part I were:—

1, 9th Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, 90 points; 2, 7th Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, 82 points; 3, 8th Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, 79 points; 4, 5th Royal West Kent Regiment, 73 points.

Part II will be fired at Purfleet Ranges on July 13th, and by the time these notes are in print the result will be old history. We are hoping to bring the magnificent silver trophy, which has just been presented by Col. Perrin, back to Pound Lane, but we are by no means over confident, as this particular shoot is what the Irish call a "chancy business," and anything may happen.

By far the most important day during the last three months has been, of course, Albuhera Day, which was celebrated at Pound Lane, Willesden, by large numbers of people connected with the County of Middlesex and the Middlesex Regiment.

The programme was divided into four parts.

Part 1.—Programme of music by the Regimental Band and Marching Display by the Corps of Drums.

Part 2.—Annual Prize Distribution.

Part 3.—Example of the different types of training which takes place in a Territorial Battalion.

Part 4.—All Ranks' Dance.

The Lord Lieutenant had promised to distribute the prizes, and everyone was most disappointed that, owing to a severe chill, he was unable to be present at the last moment.

Luckily, however, Admiral Sir Reginald Tupper, G.B.E., K.C.B., C.V.O., stepped into the breach at the last moment—a further example of the Navy coming to the assistance of the Army.

The Admiral proved the success of the evening, and his breezy story of the cook who was left behind completely brought the house down.

It is not proposed to go into any further details of Albuhera Day here, as an account appears elsewhere. Suffice it is to say that the anniversary of the Battle of Albuhera is beginning to be of some importance in north-west London.

In addition to the large audience in the hall itself, an almost equally large crowd was gathered outside, and for this day, at any rate, the 9th Middlesex appeared to be the centre of attraction in Willesden.

According to the powers that be, 1930 is a Territorial year, and, consequently, more money is available for training than has ever been the case before.

The 9th have undoubtedly taken advantage of this unusual state of affairs, and the number of Tactical Exercises and week-end camps that have been held has been simply phenomenal.

Training of some sort or other has taken place on every week-end since Easter, and, in fact, some week-ends as many as two or three exercises have been held.

Easter Training started the ball rolling. The Transport Section visited Chipperfield in Hertfordshire, complete with animals, and, in spite of the bad weather, they apparently enjoyed themselves enormously. There is an amazing story of how they were invited to tea by a local magnate, and the whole Transport attended, including the horses. The remainder of the Battalion went down to our old friend, Rainham, where the sleet and snow both did their best to make it an unforgettable Easter.

Had it not been for the splendid work put in by Sergt. Brooks and his cooks, there would probably have been many deaths from cold. As it was, working under the most difficult conditions, he

managed to feed everyone so well that not a single man went sick.

An Officers' Exercise was held in the neighbourhood of Flaunden, the Saturday night being spent at the Crown Hotel, Amersham. The accommodation here, unfortunately, was not up to our usual standard, but in spite of certain discomforts a very pleasant evening was spent.

The occupants of the dormitory, presided over by the Padre, went back to the days of their youth, and must have imagined that they were at school once more.

Company Exercises and Week-ends were held in the neighbourhood of Chesham, Chipperfield, Dorking and Eastcote, but as accounts of these appear elsewhere, it is not proposed to go into them in detail here.

There is no doubt, however, that a most successful year's training has been carried out, and at Annual Training, 1930, we hope to see the result.

ALBUHERA DAY CELEBRATIONS.

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9TH BN. THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

On the evening of May 16th, the 9th Bn. The Middlesex Regiment held their annual Albuhera Day Celebrations at the Drill Hall, Pound Lane, Willesden, before a large and distinguished audience.

The programme started with selections by the Regimental Band on the Square outside the Drill Hall.

The next item was a Marching Display by the 9th Battalion Corps of Drums. The 9th are particularly proud of the Drums, and judging by their excellent performance on this occasion, it is extremely doubtful whether a better Corps exist in the whole of the Territorial Army.

At 8.15 p.m. the large crowd of spectators, numbering at least eight hundred, entered the Drill Hall, which was gaily decorated with flags, for the Annual Distribution of Prizes.

It is usual on this occasion for the Commanding Officer to give an account of the doings of the Battalion during the past year, and Lieut.-Col. G. W. H. Tupper, T.D., Commanding 9th Middlesex, in the course of a few well chosen words, ex-

plained that the past year had been one of uninterrupted success for the 9th Battalion, who had won every competition that they had entered for.

Furthermore, the Battalion was up to strength in officers, and the number of other ranks was steadily increasing each year.

He felt, therefore, that the 9th Battalion were worthily upholding the traditions of the gallant 57th Foot (now 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment) when they had earned their immortal name of "Die-Hards" on the Ridge at Albuhera 119 years ago.

In order to make a success of a Territorial Battalion, however, two things were necessary—a Regimental Spirit and a County Spirit. The first undoubtedly existed in the 9th Battalion, and he hoped that the County of Middlesex were proud of their Territorial Battalion. He was very glad to see that members of the Middlesex County Council and Willesden Urban District Council were present on this occasion. He concluded his remarks by saying how sorry he was that the Lord Lieutenant of the County, Lord Rochdale, was prevented by illness from presenting the cups, but that Admiral Sir Reginald Tupper, G.B.E., K.C.B., C.V.O., had stepped into the breach at the last moment. The splendid collection of cups and shields was then presented to the prize-winners for the year by Admiral Sir Reginald Tupper, who made an excellent speech, in which he said how pleased he was to see his nephew, Lieut.-Col. Tupper, commanding such an efficient battalion, and he hoped that the young men of the neighbourhood would take their chance of joining what must be one of the finest battalions in the Territorial Army.

LIST OF WINNERS FOR YEAR, 1929-30.

- Crowborough Cup*.—G Coy.
Best Company in High Sheriff's Competition.—C Coy.
Best Company Average in Lewis Gun.—C Coy.
Best Company Average Attendance at Drills.—G Coy., Machine Gunners, Signallers, Drummers.
Company which does best in T.A.R.A. Competition.—C Coy.
Sherwood Shield for Winter Weapon-Training.—D Coy.

Inter-Company N.C.O.s. Shield.—G Coy.

Individual N.C.O.s. Cup.—Sergt. Bungay.

Best score by W.O. or N.C.O. in Brigade Rifle Meeting.—C.Q.M.S. Linthwaite.

Best Score by Private Soldier in Brigade Rifle Meeting.—Pte. Newton, A Coy.

Best Score by Recruit in Brigade Rifle Meeting.—Tie, Pte. J. Howell, D Coy. and Pte. G. Doiley, D Coy.

Best Score by any rank.—C.Q.M.S. Linthwaite.

Best Machine Gun Team.—Cpl. Drury's team.

Transport Driver, with Best Set of Harness.—Cpl. Keen.

Section Leading Competition.—L./Sergt. Ward, A Coy.

Guard Mounting Competition.—B Coy.
Sholl Cup (Company scoring the highest points at the Brigade Rifle Meeting).—C Coy.

L.G.O.C. Cup—Best, Signaller.—L./Cpl. G. Lathwell.

British Legion Cup for Best Machine Gunner.—L./Cpl. J. T. Taylor.

Battalion Football Cup.—C Coy.
Battalion Boxing Cup.—D Coy.

The following trophies won by the Battalion during the past year will be presented:—

Albuhera Cup.—Transport Competition open to Middlesex Units.

Middlesex Justices Lewis Gun Shield (Open to Middlesex Units).—Won by C Coy., 9th Middlesex Regiment.

Cheylesmore Cup (Best Individual Shot in 132nd Infantry Brigade).—C.Q.M.S. Linthwaite.

Cup for Best Maintained Miniature Range in County of Middlesex.—R.S.M. Denton and C.S.M. Clift, 9th Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

44th (H.C.) Divisional Football Cup.
132nd Infantry Brigade Boxing Cup.

44th (H.C.) Divisional Boxing Cup.
Kittie Signalling Cup.—Presented to the Best Signalling Section among Middlesex Units, 9th Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

Territorial Army Cookery Championships.—Runners-up Medals to Cooks of 9th Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

On completion of the prize-giving the audience were entertained by the following

examples of the many-sided training which takes place in a Territorial Battalion to-day:—

1. Sentries will be mounted from a Guard provided by C Company.

2. Two Lewis Gun Sections in action. D Company.

3. Example of Bayonet Fighting Training. A Company Recruits' Squad.

4. Flag Drill by the Signal Section.

5. Machine Gun Platoon in action. B (M.G.) Company.

6. Squads will march past the Lord Lieutenant.

The evening ended with a most successful All Ranks' Dance, the music being supplied by the Regimental Band.

List of guests present at 9th Bn. The Middlesex Regiment Albuhera Day Celebrations, May 16th 1930:—

Lieut.-Col. G. W. H. Tupper, T.D., Major J. E. Lamont, M.C., T.D., Major P. Lloyd-Williams, Major G. L. Cox, Capt. D. G. Horrocks, M.C., Capt. H. Sherwood, Capt. H. K. Hardcastle, Capt. F. G. Hogg, Capt. A. S. Heeson, Lieuts. W. S. Wright, L. C. Wright, E. W. Wright, H. Heffer, G. J. B. Furness, T. P. Coubro, H. W. Gray, B. L. Sutcliffe, L. J. Bedwell, L. H. Mordie, A. G. Petrie, J. T. Dear, Rev. E. Stogden, Mr. Jack Hobbs, Miss E. Royle (Chairman of Willesden District Council), Wayman Brown, Esq., N. H. Procter, Esq., Capt. E. Hewlett, Col. Bindloss, Col. Hanbury, C.M.G., D.S.O., Assistant Director General of T.A., Col. Wortham, C.M.G., D.S.O., Commanding 132nd Infantry Brigade, F. Wilkinson, Esq., F. Lloyd-Williams and Mrs. Lloyd-Williams, Col. Blumfeld, T.D. and Mrs. Blumfeld, Sir C. Pinkham, D.L., Major Goddard, Col. Pank, C.M.G., T.D., F. S. Hogg, Esq., and Mrs. Hogg, General Peck, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Commanding 44th (H.C.) Div., and Mrs. Peck, Col. Kimmet, Col. Beresford, Capt. and Mrs. Whalley-Kelley, Col. Abrahams, Col. Seth-Smith, D.S.O., Major Finlayson, Basil Holmes, Esq., and Mrs. Holmes, A. E. Widdows, Esq. and Mrs. Widdows, Mr. and Mrs. French, Col. and Mrs. Samuel, Admiral Sir Reginald Tupper, C.B.E., K.C.B., C.V.O., Capt. Mellersh-Jackson, Major and Mrs. Beatonson, Doctor and

Mrs. Bridges, Capt. and Mrs. Findlay, Capt. Liddell Hart, J. W. Catlow, Esq. and Rev. F. Chesnutt-Chesney.

A COMPANY NOTES.

Well, we said last time we were going to have a — good try at winning the Weapon Training Championship, and when A Company make up their minds to do a thing they jolly well do it.

It was No. 3 Platoon who, in this case, wiped the floor with everybody, and walked home with the good old Sherwood Shield for the Company. We all join in administering them with a large and beefy pat on the back, because they worked hard for this and fully earned it. Good luck to them.

The other principle event for the last three months has been the Company Week-end Camp at Eastcote. Capt. Hogg kindly allowed us to pitch our tents in the middle of his front garden, and, in fact, generally to spread ourselves over his ancestral home. The weather was kind to us, the food was excellent, the hay was soft to sleep on, and bugs, beetles, velocipedas (no, centipedes) and other forms of flying fish were conspicuous by their absence, even if one or two tent mallets did seem to grow wings during the hours between closing time and "Réveillé." Our thanks are due to Capt. Hogg and also to Mrs. Hogg (to whom we raise our hat) for supporting the terrors of military invasion with such bravery.

As we go to press there comes the result of the Promotion Examination. Out of the seventeen in the whole Battalion we sent up nine candidates; of these, eight passed, and one, Pte. E. J. Ellams, gained second place with distinction—not bad for a recruit with eleven months' service. It is really most encouraging to see so many men working hard, as these have done, to fit themselves to be efficient N.C.O.s. It augurs well for the Company's future.

As for the immediate future, we all have our eyes fixed on camp, where we intend to have a rattling good time, and, incidentally, to carry A Company a few steps further on the path of glory and distinction.

B (M.G.) COMPANY.

The second quarter of this year will long be remembered as that in which the "Two Brewers" at Chipperfield was discovered. The way in which the Adjutant finds these delightful spots in which we poor town folk can combine a lot of work with an equal amount of pleasure is wonderful. If ever he decides to retire from the Army he has surely a means of supplementing his pension. "Horrocks Handbook of Happy Hotels" should be a source of great benefit to the community and a "best seller."

The truth is that we have had two most enjoyable week-end exercises, one at the end of May, and the other during the Whitsun holidays. In each case we pitched our camp in the Paddock of the Two Brewers, and were excellently fed and cared for by the hotel staff who, led by the manager and his wife, could not do too much for our welfare. The weather on the first occasion was none too good, but at Whitsun it was of the very best. Everyone seemed to enjoy both exercises, and found "action from lorry" an interesting experiment—in fact, so far, we quite like mechanized warfare, infinitely preferring being taking to the scene of action in a light lorry capable of a speed of over 30 miles per hour (with a reasonable degree of safety) than having to march there. By the time these notes appear we shall know which Battalion has won the new Machine Gun Trophy. We sincerely hope that it will be the 9th, but our lead of only 8 points as the result of the first half of the competition is none too big, and certainly not large enough for us to feel really confident.

We are very sorry to have lost C.Q.M.S. Shand (transferred to A Company), one of the oldest serving members in the Battalion. He has been our C.Q.M.S. since the Battalion was reformed after the war, and has served us well. Our loss is A Company's gain.

The Company's new title, B (M.G.) Company is not very popular with certain members of the Company. Other companies are inclined to use the first letter as an adjective made famous by Mr. Bernard Shaw and to treat M.G. as the correct name of the Company. We do not worry, however, as the repartee of this Company is invariably equal to the occasion.

BEER M(U)G.

C COMPANY NOTES.

The last three months have been full of interest, and the numbers attending parade have shown a steady increase, which is all to the good. There have been three outstanding events, however, which must be recorded.

First, the Annual Prize Distribution on Albuhera Day. This was a most happy occasion for the Company, and there is no question that we received far more prizes than anybody else. In fact, the chief feature of the evening was the steady stream of members of the Company going up to receive their prizes.

The following trophies now repose at the Drill Hall, Wealdstone:—Best Company High Sheriffs Competition, Best Company Average in Lewis Gun, Company which does best in T.A.R.A. Competition, Sholl Cup and Battalion Football Cup.

In addition, the following Brigade trophies were also presented to the Company:—Middlesex Justices Lewis Gun Shield and Cheylesmore Cup (for the best individual shot) won by C.Q.M.S. Linthwaite.

During the Training Display, which took place after the Prize Distribution, C Company gave an exhibition of Guard Mounting, which was most excellently carried out, and the turn-out could hardly have been bettered. Sergt. Hattley acted as N.C.O. in charge of the Guard, and Cpl. Spivey as the Corporal.

We felt that it was a great honour to be chosen to do this particular "turn," as the Guard was mounted at the commencement of the display and remained on duty during the whole performance, while the other company displays were of quite brief duration.

The next item of interest was a Tactical Exercise which was carried out on Sunday, June 1st, in the neighbourhood of Chenies, for the N.C.Os. of the Company.

The weather was fairly kind to us, and we all had an enjoyable and instructive day, the only fly in the ointment was the fact that we were nearly gassed by the fumes of our Chevrolet on the way out.

On June 21st-22nd we revisited our old friend The Red Lion, at Dorking, for a Week-end Scheme. The weather was glorious, the food excellent, and the beer was as good as ever. Can one say



[Photo: Harry Baker, Willesden.]

BAND OF THE 9th BATTALION THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.



[Photo: Harry Baker, Willesden.]

No. 5 PLATOON B (M.G.) COMPANY 9th MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.
Winners of Part I 132nd Infantry Brigade Machine Gun Competition.

more? Some members of the Company, however, don't know a good thing when it is offered them, and it seems almost inconceivable that more people did not avail themselves of this really first class week-end in the country.

The N.C.Os. Examination proved a great triumph for us. Ten candidates presented themselves for the examination and everyone passed. Cpl. Spivey and L./Cpl. Campkin obtained "Distinguished" marks, the former actually passing top. This is a very healthy sign, and shows that although we may not be strong in numbers, what we have got is first-class. In other words, in C Company we go in for quality, not quantity.

"CORKER."

D COMPANY NOTES.

Since our last issue of notes the finals of the Winter Weapon Training Competition for the Battalion and Brigade have been fought out, and we are very pleased with the results which show that the teams had put in a great deal of good work, and keenness was high. The Sherwood Shield, although really a company trophy, was altered this year to a platoon trophy. The final placings were as follows:—

1, A Coy., No. 3 Pltn., 279.65 points; 2, D Coy., No. 14 Pltn., 262.86; 3, D Coy., No. 16 Pltn., 255.52; 4, D Coy., No. 13 Pltn., 212.12; 5, D Coy., No. 15 Pltn., 204.07; 6, A Coy., No. 1 Pltn., 165.17; 7, A Coy., No. 2 Pltn., 143.89; 8, C Coy., No. 9 Pltn., 138.97; 9 C Coy., No. 10 Pltn., 114.72; 10, C Coy., No. 11 Pltn., 30.61

The Brigade Winter Weapon Training Competition was held here on May 13th, and the superstitious thought we were doomed, but in spite of this we won the trophy again for the third year in succession. The teams are to be congratulated on their keenness and good work. One particularly good man was Pte. W. W. Finnis, who only dropped one point out of a possible 100. The final results were:—

	Rifle.	L.G.	Total.
D Coy., 9th Middlesex ...	74.72	85.56	160.28
D Coy., 8th Middlesex ...	83.06	71.44	154.50
D Coy., 7th Middlesex ...	64.44	68.22	132.66
B Coy., R.W. Kents ...	55.28	73.56	128.84

The Lewis gun team was as follows:—Sergt. A. Devereaux, L./Sergt. R. Devereaux, Cpl. R. Podger, L./Cpl. H. Kent, L./Cpl. Thurtell, L./Cpl. F. McCarthy, Ptes. Finnis, Davey, James and Mudge. Reserve, C. Dooley.

The rifle team was made up of Sergt. E. Bell, L./Sergt. Erwood, Cpl. G. Erwood, Cpl. G. Edwards, Cpl. B. Willison, Cpl. Mansbridge, L.-Cpl. E. Patterson and L./Cpl. White, Ptes. Townsend, A. Breed and G. Davie, Reserves, Ptes. Culverhouse, W. Noyce and F. Chichester.

A very successful Week-end Camp was held at Chipperfield on June 14th-15th. The motor convoy left the Drill Hall at 4 p.m. and arrived at Chipperfield about



Snap of D Company taken during week-end camp at Chipperfield, June 14/15.

an hour latter. Camp was pitched, and after a real good meal at the local inn, training commenced. Large quantities of useful information was gained by the N.C.Os. and men. It is not known whether one Section Commander lost his compass, but he certainly arrived very late at the indicated spot. Another Section Commander of note certainly found a dirty spot on the map, for after asking his way of local children and drivers of vehicles, eventually found his way back after travelling all round the country. The Company arrived back at the Drill Hall on Sunday evening, and all voted the week-end a great success.

Our congratulations are offered to Pte. E. Mudge on his appointment to Lance-corporal, and to Pte. G. Gordge on his having passed his promotion examination.

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SIGNALLERS' NOTES.

Brevity being the soul of wit, we shall not encroach on the valuable space of the JOURNAL more than is necessary this time as we shall have much to say after camp.

Never before have the Signallers been in such a flourishing condition, our total drills being about 150 per week. If this state of affairs continue our classification result should be worthy of the 9th Battalion. We had two very successful week-end exercises at Chipperfield, and a scheme in the Hendon area, at which our full establishment of 26 Signallers attended. Noteworthy progress was made in each case, and the general efficiency of the Section has benefitted accordingly. There are now many new faces among our number. Fortunately those faces appear to be fairly keen and intelligent. We hope for the best. We must congratulate L./Sergt. Foster and L./Cpls. Carlson, Butcher and Cole on their recent promotion.

Pa Jackman is with us again, and another of his sons, whom we must call Mark III. We understand that there are still some more to come. These are receiving preliminary instruction from the O.C., Family. That is what we call the "Regimental Spirit."

"ACK EMMA."

2nd CADET BATTALION MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

I AM afraid this is the last article to appear in THE DIEHARDS under the above heading, owing to the action of the War Office in withdrawing official recognition to Cadet units. Therefore this Battalion will automatically cease to exist, and fade away on October 31 next. This, as may be imagined, is a serious blow to all concerned here, considering this Battalion has been in existence so many years. It has had its "ups and downs," and last September, when Lieut.-Col. P. W. Heanly was appointed to the Command he set to work and thoroughly reorganized the whole sys-

tem, and endeavoured to build up the Battalion to a high standard. A lot of money has been spent on new uniforms and equipment to conform with regimental regulations, and the Battalion has been well advertised throughout the vast area it embraces, from Acton to Uxbridge, across to Staines, and back through Hampton, Twickenham, Brentford, to Ealing. New ground was scoured to form fresh Companies. There are many men in Ealing to-day, who in past years were members of the Battalion. Although no official records were retained, it is sufficient to mention that Col. Heanly had two sons in the Battalion before the War—one afterwards receiving a commission in the 8th Bn. The Middlesex Regt., and the other now



[Photo: "West Middlesex Gazette."]

a Lieutenant in the Royal Indian Marine (Indian Navy).

When the letter from the Army Council conveying the decision of His Majesty's Government, as announced by the Secretary of State in the House of Commons on March 24th last that official recognition of Cadet Units at present raised under the provisions of the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, would be withdrawn, it fell like a bomb-shell in our midst, as arrangements were in progress to start a Company at Castle Hill School, and another at the Jewish School for Boys at Hayes on the same lines as the Company inaugurated last January at the Ealing Priory School. Also a Signalling Detachment was being formed, and a Cyclist Company at the Drill Hall. Negotiations were in hand to form an Anti-Aircraft Company as well

at Southall. All these are temporarily suspended at the moment until the future of the Corps is decided. It is difficult to prophesy the success of a scheme formulated almost upon the same lines as at present, without being affiliated to a famous Regiment, as the present organisations for boys are numerous, and appear to overlap each other, and it is the one with the best facilities for amusements, and a nice Club-house, that scores—especially with the minutest subscription, and a tremendous lot thrown in for nothing. It is, however, an extraordinary fact that recruits come along on an average of two a week, which goes to prove that the advertising of the Battalion the last few months is beginning to bear fruit. A letter was sent by the Commanding Officer to the six Members of Parliament, whose constituencies this Battalion covers, saying "he could not conceive a finer moral training for a lad than that received in the Cadet Force, while educationally he declared it was finer and more to the advancement of the Country and the Empire to train a lad to become a man in the highest sense of the word than only to train him to pass school and other examinations." Sir Herbert Neild replied "that he was fully in accord with the view Col. Heanly took." Major Isidore Salmon, M.P. for Harrow, replied in sympathetic terms. Sir Philip Pilditch, M.P., Spelthorne Division, briefly, but satisfactorily replied. Major J. J. Llewellyn, M.C., M.P., Uxbridge Division, assured Col. Heanly that he is "in complete agreement" with him. "The withdrawal of recognition," he stated, "seems to me to strike much more vitally at the roots of the Cadet system (than the withdrawal of the grants alone), but I am afraid there is no way of checking the action of the present Government with the Liberals actively supporting them. I very much hope, however, that the Cadet units will decide to continue, even in face of adversity." Col. Grant Morden, M.P., Brentford, said, "I entirely agree with every word you say—it is nothing less than a crime—but what can we do? I will be glad to do anything I can." Sir John Ferguson, M.P., Twickenham, replied also in sympathetic terms.

Miniature Range practice has started with a vengeance, all Cadets being very keen, and the shooting is very good considering everything. Tactical exercises are held each Sunday in the country around Ealing, and all are well attended. The Battalion has been presented with a beautiful full-size billiards table and accessories, together with the surrounding lounge seats by Capt. W. T. Booker, a prominent local hotel proprietor. On April 3rd, Col. John Perring, D.L., J.P., L.C.C., Honorary Colonel of this Battalion, gave a banquet in the Louis XVI suite at the Trocadero Restaurant to a distinguished number to meet Lieut. Col. P. W. Heanly and the officers of the Battalion. Among those present were Alderman Col. R. R. Kimmitt, O.B.E., Col. Anwyl-Passingham, O.B.E., D.L., Lieut.-Col. John Abraham, J.P. Brigade Major, Middlesex Cadet Corps), Major J. G. Campbell, Rev. S. D. Young, O.S.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., M.A., Major W. H. Parmeter, Major J. W. Perring, and Capt. S. Madden, and all the officers of this Battalion attended. A most enjoyable evening was spent, and our most grateful thanks go to Col. Perring for his kindness and hospitality. The Brigade Dinner, on April 12th, has already been reported upon, this Battalion being supported by the Mayor and Mayoress of Ealing (Alderman H. J. Baker, J.P., C.C., and Mrs. Baker).

On May 30th a meeting was held to consider the future of Cadet Units in Middlesex. Mr. C. F. De Salis was in the chair. Others attending: Col. E. J. King, Lieut.-Col. J. W. Abraham, Col. John Perring, Lieut.-Col. J. Streek, Lieut.-Col. A. C. Soutten, Lieut.-Col. P. W. Heanly, and Major W. F. Morris, and it was unanimously agreed that the Middlesex Cadet Brigade should continue after October 31st, 1930. Arrangements, conditions and details to be announced later on.

Our hearty congratulations to Lieut.-Col. Parmeter upon being given the command. He has always shown such an interest in the Cadet Movement, and this Battalion in particular, when he was O.C., B Company.

UNDER CANVAS AT GREENFORD. HOW EALING CADETS SPENT WHITSUNTIDE FIELD OPERATIONS OVER HORSENDEN HILL.

A detachment of A Company, 2nd C. Battalion Middlesex Regt., under the command of Lieut. and Quartermaster J. Hood, went into Camp at Greenford during the Whitsun holidays. Alderman A. W. Perkin, J.P., very kindly placed a field at the disposal of the Company.

The advance guard left the Drill Hall at 3.30 on Saturday afternoon in charge of Sergt. M. Warneford; the main body paraded at Northfields station at 11 p.m. and proceeded direct to camp, where on arrival Quartermaster Corporal Donaldson had an excellent hot supper ready. On Sunday morning the detachment attended divine service at Perivale Church.

A HECTIC MORNING.

On account of the length of the grass and the heavy dew, the night operations which were to have taken place, had to be abandoned. On Monday, the first parade was at 7, and after a hearty breakfast a hectic morning was spent carrying out field operations over Horsenden Hill. The afternoon was devoted to entertainment of guests and sports.

The weather was ideal. Camp was struck at 7 p.m., after a most enjoyable week-end.

The detachment was most fortunate in having R.S.M. Durham present, as his long experience was most invaluable.

THE DAILY RATIANS.

- 6.30.—Cocoa and biscuits.
- 8.—Breakfast (eggs and ham).
- 1.—Dinner (roast beef, peas and potatoes and plum duff).
- 4.30.—Tea (jam and cake).
- 9.30.—Hot supper.
- 10.—Lights out.

The Commanding Officer (Lieut.-Col. P. W. Heanly) inspected the camp in Sunday, and expressed his pleasure at all the arrangements made.

2/10th MIDDLESEX REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION.

OLD COMRADES' REUNION.

THE annual Reunion of this Branch of the Regimental Association took place on Saturday, April 5th, when there



VISCOUNT RANELAGH.

Founder and first Commanding Officer of 2nd (South) Middlesex Volunteer Rifles.

Beaufort House, Walham Green, was Headquarters up to about 1902.

gathered a goodly company of Old Comrades, some 150 strong.

Lieut.-Col. V. L. N. Pearson, D.S.O., now commanding the 1st Middlesex Regt., and who had commanded the 2/10th Battalion for some time during



SOUTH MIDDLESEX V.R.C. (Later 10th BATTALION T.A.)
Inspection.



SOUTH MIDDLESEX V.R.C.
Officers Cock Fighting in Camp.

the late war, travelled specially from Caterick to preside over the meeting, and Col. Anwyl Passingham represented the Regiment.

The toasts of the King and "Fallen Comrades" were followed by that of "The Regiment."

In proposing the toast of "The Chairman," Capt. N. B. McIvor, M.C., referred to Col. Pearson's soldierly qualities whilst he commanded the Battalion, and his able leadership during the very trying period experienced during the trek across the Sinai desert in 1916-17; the attacks on Gaza, and throughout the campaign in Palestine, in which Col. Pearson commanded the Brigade, and finally the Division, of which the Battalion was a unit. Capt. McIvor claimed that the record size of the gathering testified to the affection, loyalty and respect of all ranks towards their late Commander.

Col. Pearson, in response, thanked Capt. McIvor for the kind expressions made on behalf of the Branch Association, and congratulated those present, and especially those concerned in the organization of such a fine gathering, upon the spirit which so evidently still lived amongst them, though so many years had passed since the Battalion was disbanded. He had been proud to command the Battalion, and believed that the thirteen Battle Honours gained by the Battalion was a record for a Battalion of the Regiment.

At the Dinner it was arranged to forward, as a token of remembrance and esteem from his old comrades, a copy of "The Die Hards in the Great War," to a 2/10th Battalion man still in hospital suffering from a spinal wound.

Capt. F. W. Wallis (late Quartermaster to the Battalion) was unanimously elected President of the Branch for the year 1930-31.

Mr. H. V. Ireson (late C.S.M., D Company) proposed the toast to the Officers and Guests "in the best 'Ireson's' style," and Mr W. Bennett (Bombing Officer) replied for Major D. B. Watson, M.C., who was unavoidably absent, in a brief, cheery speech that was to the point.

Mr. Charles Rush, who has carried out the onerous duties of Hon. Secretary so

ably since the inception of these Annual Dinners, had found it necessary to resign the office to the universal regret of the Branch. Charlie Rush holds a very warm corner in the hearts of many. Mr. W. B. Warren (late Sergt., B Company) has taken over this office.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Charlie Davis and his company, including Mr. George Masters, Mr. Harold Nunn and Mr. Jones (late first drummer) for the musical entertainment provided. Most of the old Battalion favourites were sung, which brought back happy memories.

Many faces were seen again for the first time for twelve years; many a friendship was newly pledged, and many a reminiscence re-told.

Any old Comrade of this Battalion not yet in touch with the Association is asked to write to Mr. W. B. Warren, at 13a, Talbot Road, W.2.

23rd BATTALION REUNION DINNER.

THE tenth annual Reunion Dinner of the Officers of the 23rd (S.) Bn. The Middlesex Regiment was held at the Officers' Mess of the Inns of Court O.T.C. on Friday, May 2nd, 1930.

Col. B. Abel Smith, D.S.O., M.C., A.D.C., was in the chair, and the following officers and ex-officers were present. Major D. V. Johnson, Capt. Hammond, Clarke, Livingstone, Tarnlyn and Waterer; Lieuts. Bungard, Bradshaw, Clark, Cunningham, Hince, Hutchinson, Hatcher, Hillier, Semple, Stokes, Snell, Salter, F. Thomas, C. Thomas, Thollier and Ward; Capt. Farncombe, the Medical Officer; the Rev. Dodd, Chaplain, and Major W. M. Alpine, Staff Captain, 123rd Infantry Brigade.

Speeches were made by Col. Smith, Capt. Farncombe, and the Rev. Dodd, after which the usual custom was followed of officers giving an account of any former member of the Battalion they may have met since the last dinner.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of "The Die-Hards."

HILDERSHAM HOUSE SCHOOL,
ST. PETERS, BROADSTAIRS,
KENT.

June 8th, 1930.

DEAR SIR,

In case no-one else does it, I would like to contribute a little information about the death of an ex-officer of the 8th Battalion—2/Lieut. Denis Brownell Murphy, late 8th Bn. The Middlesex Regt., D.C.O., T.A.

2/Lieut. Murphy, who served with the 8th Battalion before he was appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Indian Frontier Police, was killed near Mardaw, N.W.F.P., India, on May 26th, whilst attempting to quell a riot during the unrest that is still, at the time of writing, disturbing that country.

Mr. Murphy was ordered by the magistrate to disperse the mob, but seeing that among the crowd there were a number of youths and boys, he asked permission that firearms might not be used, and that Lathis (bamboo poles) only be employed. His request was sanctioned, and he dashed into the crowd at the head of his men, who were thus armed. He was at once shot at point blank range, and bricks and stones thrown at him.

Outrageous as it was, the incident indicated nothing more than mob fanaticism, for Mr. Murphy was personally exceedingly popular with the Indians. He was greatly admired by them for his gentleness, patience and gallantry.

In 1928 he was awarded the King's Police medal for rescuing from a blazing house a small Indian boy—an act which strengthened their ever growing adoration of him.

A number of Indians have written to express their grief and sorrow that his should be the particular life that was lost in the rioting.

Mr. Murphy was educated at Westminster School, where he gained a scholarship. He joined the 8th Battalion early in 1923, in which he served for about a year, during which time he was working at the Bank of England. He

was very popular with the officers and men, both of whom deplore his death.

Late in 1923 he took the Civil Service Commission Examination for entry into the Indian Police, passing in fifth out of a very large number of candidates.

He was 26 years of age. His loss will be felt by his very large circle of friends, both at home and in India.

I hope this will be of use to you. If you would like it, I will try to get you a photo from his mother.

Yours faithfully,

DOUGLAS REES, *Captain*,
8th Bn. The Middlesex Regt.

341, CONST. R. EDWARDS,
BRITISH SECTION POLICE,
MOUNT SCOPUS,
JERUSALEM,
PALESTINE.

May 26th, 1930.

DEAR SIR,

I am writing this to ask if you would be so kind to add my name to the Employment List for ex-Middlesex men. If you remember, I was on the roll for the L.G.O.C. before coming out here on this job, which, I'm sorry to say, hasn't any prospects and hasn't come up to my (and others) expectations; so I am returning to England on the completion of my contract, which finishes the 16th September of this year.

I also wish to mention that I have taken some snaps of the graves of the men of the Middlesex Regt., who laid down their lives in the Great War, and who now lie in Jerusalem Cemetery. I thought, maybe, their relations might like them—if they could be got in touch with somehow. I must add, Jerusalem Cemetery is the cleanest, neatest, and most beautiful war cemetery I've ever seen.

If you would kindly do as I request, I would be deeply grateful, and remain, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. EDWARDS.
(Late 2nd Bn. The Middlesex).
(6193749 H.Q. Wing).

LIST OF NAMES OF MIDDLESEX MEN'S GRAVES I HAVE PHOTOS OF WHO LIE IN JERUSALEM WAR CEMETERY.

P.W./2471 J. F. Filbey, 2/10th Bn., killed 27/12/1917. Private.

G/4003 F. Woolfenden, 2/10th Bn., killed 27/12/1917. Private.

291080 E. H. Stretton, 2/10th Bn., killed 27/12/1917. Private.

291071 E. Mayhew, 2/10th Bn., killed 27/12/1917. Private.

291824 T. H. Thomas, M.M., 2/10th Bn., killed 27/12/1917. Private.

G/51476 A. H. Bullimore, 2/10th Bn., killed 27/12/1917. Private.

291976 G. J. Durling, 2/10th Bn., killed 21/12/1917. Private.

29273 W. H. C. Sulman, 2/10th Bn., killed 27/12/1917. Private.

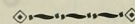
G/26680 Pte. J. W. Wheatley, 2/10th Bn., killed 21/12/1917. Private.

292116 A. E. Hughes, 2/10th Bn., killed 21/12/1917. Lance-Corporal.

G/51482 W. J. Fry, 2/10th Bn., killed 21/12/1917. Private.

G/36690 W. H. James, 2/10th Bn., killed 21/12/1917. Private.

There are a great number of others, whom I am quite willing to get if I know the parents who desire them.



NOTHING ABNORMAL.

The Territorial was giving the reporter an item of news:

"Yes," he said, "we had a terrible storm when in camp."

"Any rain?" asked the reporter.

"Yes, but it was the hail I wanted to tell you about."

"Much hail?"

"I don't know whether you would call it much or not, but there wasn't a hailstone that wasn't bigger than an egg."

"Eh? What?" responded the reporter doubtfully. "Did many fall?"

"Millions of them."

The reporter still had his doubts.

"Bigger than eggs," he mused.

"What sort of eggs?"

"Fish eggs," groaned the Territorial.

CROOKED ANSWERS.

A custom of Frederick the Great's was to ask three questions of every soldier who appeared in his guard.

These were: "How old are you?" "How long have you been in my service?" "Are you satisfied with your pay and treatment?"

On a certain occasion it happened that a young French soldier enlisted in the Prussian service. His commanding officer, knowing that the man knew no German, taught him the questions and answers in the order related above.

Accordingly, when brought before Frederick and asked, "How long have you been in my service?" he replied, "Twenty-one years, your Majesty."

The King was greatly astonished, but ventured on the second:

"How old are you?"

"One year, your Majesty."

"Heavens!" exclaimed Frederick, unable to believe his ears, "either you or I are mad, of a certainty."

"Both," replied the soldier, taking this to be the question.

"This is the first time I was ever treated as a madman by commanding an army," declared the amazed sovereign.

But the man, having exhausted his stock of German, did not know what to say further, so explained his ignorance in French, whereupon Frederick, understanding then the strange nature of the replies, laughed heartily, enjoying the joke.

Some young Territorials boasted one morning of what they would do in time of war.

"Ah, wait until we have war with Germany," cried one.

Scarcely were the words out of his mouth when a man dashed up on horseback, flung himself to the ground, gasping out, "News! News! Forty thousand Germans have risen."

Consternation ensued. Some of the young fellows wished they had vaunted their prowess less loudly.

"The cause?" they murmured. "Why have they risen? What is their purpose?"

"Why, faith," returned the man, pulling off his cap, which had almost hidden his face, and revealing their Irish companion Pat, "for what should they rise but to go to bed again to-night?"

OBITUARY.

EX-SERGEANT JOHN
KLINTWORTH.

WE regret to announce the death of John (Sam) Klintworth on June 21st. Whilst on an outing to Margate he was taken ill, and died within an hour from heart failure. He served from 1889 to 1913, including the South African War, for which he received the Queen's Medal with five clasps and the King's Medal with two clasps. During the Great War he served from 1916 to 1918, at first with the 23rd Battalion, and later with the 53rd Young Soldiers' Battalion. He leaves a widow, also a son, Ernest, now serving in the 1st Battalion, to whom we tender our sincere sympathy in their sudden bereavement.

The funeral took place at Queen's Road Cemetery, Walthamstow, on June 30th, when a Sergeant from the Depot attended with a wreath sent on behalf of Old Comrades.

THOMAS FALLON.

OOTACAMUND RACE CO., LTD.,
HOBART PARK,
OOTACAMUND.

April 24th, 1930.

The Editor, "The Die-hards" Journal.
DEAR SIR,

Yet another of the old 1st Battalion has gone. Mr. T. Fallon enlisted early in 1892. He took his discharge to the Army Reserve in 1900, and later on joined the Cordite Factory as a Soldier Mechanic, and rose to be a Staff Sergeant of the Indian Ordnance Department. He retired to pension in 1927. This cutting is from the *Ootacamund Observer*.

I happen to be up here for the Racing Season, and return to Madras at the end of May.

My greetings to all Old Comrades.

Yours faithfully,

A. H. SAY.

THE LATE MR. T. FALLON.

We regret to report the death of Mr. Thomas Fallon, aged 57 years, at the

Wellington Military Hospital on Tuesday, April 1st, from pneumonia.

The late Mr. Fallon had been employed in the Cordite Factory, Aruvankadu, for many years, having joined there in 1904 as a mechanic in the Plumbing Department, where he remained throughout all his years of service. He rose to the rank of Chargeman, and afterwards Assistant Foreman.

The deceased retired from the Factory at the age of 55, and settled down very comfortably in his own little bungalow in Wellington.

During Mr. Fallon's career at the Cordite, he was always one of the foremost leaders of sport, and it was his pride and duty to attend to the running of the annual football and hockey tournaments, which he managed with great success.

A great favourite during his lifetime, the remains of Thomas Fallon were followed to the graveside by all his associates and friends of the Cordite Factory.

NOTICE.

MOTOR CARS FOR OFFICERS.

Major D. C. G. Sharp, R.A. (Retired), is Proprietor of the United Service Garages, 126, High Street, Portsmouth, and Palmerston Road, Southsea (phone 2235). Any make of new or used car (100 in stock) can be purchased on confidential extended terms. A repurchase voucher will be given guaranteeing to repurchase a new or used car at a definite figure after any given period (minimum, two months). A generous allowance will be given for any car in part exchange, valued on the owner's description. An ingenious free service scheme for twelve months has been arranged to operate in any part of the United Kingdom. Cars sold at over £50 are guaranteed for one year after purchase. There is a specially organized "Hire and Drive Yourself" Service at moderate rates. Daily, weekly, or monthly. Send for 32-page brochure "About a Car." London Office (A. L. Houghton, Esq.), 32, Regent House, Regent Street, W.1; phone Mayfair 4504.

THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT (DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE'S OWN).

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1st and 2nd Battalions (Regular).

Lt.-Colonels (2.)

Pearson, V. L. N., D.S.O. (1)

28/10/78

Stapley-Murray, H. E., M.C.

(2) 28/9/28

Majors (8).

Browne, M., M.C. (s.c.) (2)

28/9/24

11/1/19

Brown, G. L., D.S.O. (1)

28/9/24

16/6/19

Jefford, W. W. (1)

Canett, K. D., M.C. (1) (2)

15/9/25

Stoane-Stanley, L. F. (1)

30/7/26

Tilbury, O. H., M.C., p.s.c.

(2) 5/5/27

3/6/28

Fungler, L. L., D.S.O. (1) (2)

3/6/19

Widdoombs, T. S., M.C. (2)

10/12/28

3/6/18

Captains (14).

Lyon, N. H. B., M.C. (1)

6/2/15

Appelbe, E. N. (2)

17/2/15

Newham, L. A., M.C., p.s.c.

(1) 1/10/15

(1) Lt. maj. 3/6/19

Smile, H. B. W., M.C., c.o.

1/10/15

Arnold, A. C., O.B.E., M.C.,

p.s.c. 3. 7/12/15

Lt. maj. 3/6/19

Harj., J. R. (1) s.

23/1/16

Hall, H. H., M.C. (1)

26/8/16

Huchinal, G. C., M.C. (p.s.c.)

(1) 26/8/16

(1) Lt. maj. 3/6/19

Paul, H. W., O.B.E., M.C.

26/8/16

Horrocks, B. G., M.C. (1)

1/1/17

Haydon, C. W., M.C. (1)

5/4/17

Lawrence, F. A. L. (2)

5/4/17

del Court, S. F. W. M., M.C.

(1) 28/9/20

(1) 28/9/20

Whitney, C. T., M.C. (2)

23/5/21

Procter, N. P., M.C. (2) Adj.

1/4/21

Lyon, E. F., M.C. (Small

Arms Sch.) 2/5/27

Garrow, V. J. (2)

25/2/22

Nanson, E. P., M.C. (2)

29/6/26

Roberts, W. L., M.C. (2)

9/5/27

Hill, R. L., M.C. (1)

9/5/27

Merams, S., M.C., (2)

9/5/27

Blackburn, B. B., M.C. (1) d.

9/5/27

Waller, A. V. [1]

9/5/27

Pain, E. T. (2)

9/5/27

Kempster, G. W. (2)

20/5/28

Dobbs, J. E., M.C., (1)

28/9/28

Royde, H. S. (1)

23/10/28

Innes, W. H. V. [2]

10/12/28

Hedderley, S. F. [1]

10/12/28

Parier, F. C. [1]

10/12/28

Overell, A. N. (1), Adj.

10/12/28

(Subalterns 34).

1st and 2nd Battalions—
contd.

Lieutenants.

Clowes, J. H. (1)

1/11/78

Chapman, J. R. S. (2)

5/1/79

Wray, E. M.G., D.S.O. (2)

27/8/19

Clayden, H. W. (1)

27/8/19

Howell, H. A. A., M.B.E. (1)

24/10/19

Clark, S. J. (2)

21/2/20

Walden, F. L. (2)

21/2/20

Heywood, E. (2)

21/2/20

Asycough, E. S. M. (2)

21/2/20

20/12/20

Reid, J. G. E., c.o.

18/7/21

Hudson, E. V. H. (1)

17/12/21

Musshelwhite, C. C., c.o.

16/7/22

Cubitt, D. V. (1)

24/12/22

Tuckey, P. E. C. (2)

14/7/23

Worton, J. B. (1)

14/7/23

Lambert, H. P. (2)

14/7/23

Gordon, I. D. S.

14/7/23

(d, Adj.) 10/7/29

14/7/23

Crawford, M. O. (1) (2)

23/12/23

Newton, W. C. (1)

30/8/26

Jacob, M. A. (2)

30/8/26

Goulden, G. A., c.o.

29/1/27

Gilbert, N. G. (2)

4/2/29

Baldwin, C. M. (2)

4/2/29

Else, F. H. (2)

30/8/29

2nd Lieutenants.

Herapath, L. H. J. de la M.

(1) 9/7/27

Stephenson, J. W. A. (2)

2/2/28

Powell, P. D. ff. (1)

2/2/28

Mackenzie, H. F. (1)

30/8/28

Chetty, W. A. (1)

31/8/28

Foreman, A. C. (2)

1/9/28

Batten, R. H. (1)

31/1/29

Green, A. E. (2)

31/1/29

Ferguson, W. M. (2)

31/1/29

Sword, R. W. D. (1)

29/8/29

Man, A. M. (1)

30/1/30

Marsh, H. P.

30/1/30

Adjutants (2).

Procter, N. P., M.C., Capt.

3/8/29

Overell, A. N., Capt. (1)

17/9/29

Quarter-Masters (3).

English, J. W. (2)

25/8/14

Clark, A. W., Lt.

26/4/29

Guscott, R. T., Lt. (2)

22/1/30

5th Battalion (Militia).

9/5/27

26th Battalion (Militia).

30/3/15

× Josephs, L. H. O.

22/4/14

× Graham-Toler, L. J., M.C.

20/3/15

× Peckell, H. C.

11/1/17

7th Battalion (Territorial).

Drill Hall, Priory Road,
Horsney, N.

Hon. Colonel.

× King, E. J., C.M.G., T.D.

(Col. Terr. Army) i.a.

13/8/25

Lt.-Colonel.

× Smith, S. C. M., T.D., i.a.

18/3/29

31/12/24

Majors.

× Murray, H. A. i.a.

19/3/29

× Bower, G. A. H., M.C.

1/4/30

Captains.

× Pringle, W. E., M.C.

7/7/28

Arnold, H. G.

1/13/30

Brown, A. W.

27/3/30

Pratt, S. M.

28/3/30

Lieutenants.

Hay, E. J. W.

29/6/27

Womersley, A. G.

29/6/27

2nd Lieutenants.

Christodoulou, N. E. T.

15/7/27

Trewby, H. F.

15/10/27

Bratman, R.

28/11/28

Hamp-Adams, F.

1/12/28

Johnson, A. K.

13/12/28

Lowe, G. C. D. S.

2/1/29

Gilkstein, C. P.

12/2/29

Womersley, A. L.

14/12/29

Paul, B. J.

29/3/30

Benfield, P. H. B.

9/4/30

Adjutant.

× Ford, H. E. R., M.C., Lt.

Worc. R. (temp. Capt.

T.A. 1/3/28) 1/3/28

Cadet Unit affiliated.

1 C. Bn. Midd'x R.

8th Battalion (Territorial).

Drill Hall, Hanworth
Road, Hounslow.

Hon. Colonel.

× Garnier, W. C.M.G., T.D.,

i.a. 5/4/21

9th Battalion (Territorial).

Drill Hall, Pound Lane,
Willesden, N.W.10.

Hon. Colonel.

× Blumfeld, J. L., T.D., i.a.

10/12/22

Lt.-Colonel.

× Tupper, G. W. H., T.D.,

i.a. 17/8/29

1/1/29

Majors.

× Lamont, J. N., M.C., T.D.,

17/8/29

× Fox, G. L.

1/4/30

7th City of London Regt.
(Post Office Rifles).

24, Sun Street, Finsbury
Square, E.C.2.

Adjutant.

× Mirams, S., M.C., capt.

Midd'x R. 4/10/26

19th London Regt.
(St. Pancras).

The figure of St. Pancras.
76, High Street, Camden
Town, N.W.1.

Adjutant.

× Parker, F. G., capt.

Midd'x R. 15/10/27

SENIORITY ROLL OF WARRANT OFFICERS AND N.C.O.s. APRIL 30TH, 1930.

NOTICE.

Warrant Officers and N.C.O.s. are, in their own interests, requested to write direct to the Adjutant, 1st Battalion The Middlesex Regiment, Catterick Camp, Yorks., should they observe any omission or error in the Seniority Roll of the Home Establishment.

1st BATTALION (Home Establishment).

Rank.	Name.	Battalion.	Date of present promotion.	Rank.	Name.	Battalion.	Date of present promotion.
*R.S.M.	R. Mantell	Depot	26/9/24	Sgt.	E. J. Steward	Depot	7/3/28
*R.S.M.	C. Davis	1st	13/4/29	Sgt.	S. Buckle	Depot	20/3/28
*Bdmr.	J. W. Clark	1st	27/6/16	Sgt.	H. Warren	8th	29/3/28
*Q.M.S. (O.R.S.)	A. Finch	Depot	13/6/28	Sgt.	T. Tiller	Depot	29/5/28
*R.Q.M.S.	E. J. Crouch	1st	28/4/29	Sgt. (Cook-Sgt.)	G. E. Knock	1st	18/11/28
*Q.M.S. (O.R.S.)	B. E. Baldwin	1st	2/7/30	*Sgt.	A. T. Jones	1st	18/2/29
*C.S.M.	H. Gray, D.C.M.	7th	4/9/18	*Sgt. (Band-Sgt.)	A. Stenning	1st	23/2/29
*C.S.M.	H. Rand...	1st	28/1/25	Sgt.	R. King	Supnmy, Fire Bde., Bordon	5/7/29
*C.S.M.	C. Denton	9th	26/3/25	Sgt. J. West	...	1st	15/1/30
*C.S.M.	G. F. Goodall	9th	4/6/25	*Sgt.	W. Northcott, M.M.	1st	25/2/30
*C.S.M.	J. Tungate, D.C.M.	1st	17/6/25	Cpl.	W. Overton	1st	11/5/20
*C.S.M.	F. Pelly	8th	28/10/25	*Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	W. Tibble	1st	11/6/24
*C.S.M.	C. W. Cook, D.C.M.	Depot	15/8/26	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	C. Soper	Depot	16/7/24
*C.S.M.	T. E. Smith	19th London	28/2/28	*Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	G. E. Goss	Depot	1/9/24
*C.S.M.	F. Peck	8th	18/2/29	*Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	G. Blake	1st	13/12/24
*C.S.M.	C. Goodall	1st	28/4/29	*Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	C. Kennett	1st	1/3/25
*C.S.M.	A. King	Egyptian Army	4/1/30	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	E. Williams	1st	26/3/25
*C.S.M.	F. Stevenson	1st	4/1/30	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	J. J. O'Brien	Depot	16/4/25
*C.S.M.	P. Newman	1st	15/1/30	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	H. C. Hull, M.M.	1st	26/5/25
Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	S. Steadman	Depot	23/7/23	*Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	L. Priddy	1st	18/2/26
Sgt.	E. Pain	1st	26/10/18	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	R. W. Glover	1st	9/2/27
Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	J. Wilcockson	1st	11/6/27	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	S. A. Thompson	1st	13/12/27
Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	H. Darby	1st	28/2/28	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	R. Bayles	1st	13/12/27
Sgt.	W. Christie	1st	1/5/20	Cpl.	L. Brown	1st	24/12/27
Sgt.	W. Sadler	1st	10/2/21	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	L. West	1st	1/1/28
Sgt.	E. Walsh	1st	25/8/21	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	R. Phillipson	1st	15/1/28
Sgt.	H. Tisdale	Depot	22/1/22	*Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	C. Painter	1st	15/1/28
Sgt.	V. Osterholm	1st	18/10/23	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	A. Mason	1st	28/2/28
Sgt.	E. Shaw	Depot	19/1/24	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	F. Donovan	1st	5/3/28
Sgt.	H. Campbell	1st	16/2/24	Cpl.	M. Horton	1st	7/3/28
*Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	G. Anderson	1st	28/4/29	*Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	E. Paterson	1st	8/3/28
*Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	H. Farrow	1st	29/9/29	*Cpl. (L./Sgt. O.R.C.)	P. Hale	1st	8/3/28
Sgt.	H. Griffin	7th	11/6/24	Cpl.	J. Little	1st	14/3/28
Sgt.	B. Brockman	Depot	15/7/24	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	W. Webster	1st	12/4/28
*Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	L. Clarke	1st	15/1/30	Cpl.	R. Ginnaw	1st	26/4/28
Sgt.	W. Clements	1st	10/11/24	Cpl.	W. Holt	Depot	1/5/28
Sgt.	A. Russell	1st	18/2/25	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	F. Chasney	Depot	22/6/28
Sgt.	E. Jones	1st	1/3/25	Cpl.	L. Williams	1st	8/8/28
Sgt.	E. Burt	1st	26/3/25	Cpl.	A. Coulling	Depot	1/9/28
*Sgt.	E. Fleming	1st	16/4/25	Cpl.	W. Bean	1st	14/9/28
Sgt.	W. Rogers	1st	26/5/25	Cpl.	A. Lawrence	Depot	26/9/28
*Sgt.	W. Raindle	7th	16/8/25	Cpl.	J. Ayres	1st	11/1/28
Sgt.	S. Mason	Depot	2/2/26	Cpl.	F. Davis	1st	7/11/28
Sgt.	E. Hazeldine	Depot	5/4/26	*Cpl.	H. Kruck	1st	18/11/28
Sgt.	T. Page	19th London	20/5/26	Cpl.	S. Boiling	1st	8/1/29
Sgt.	W. Bennett	7th	19/6/26	Cpl.	P. Andrews	1st	18/1/29
*Sgt.	J. Trapp	1st	30/1/27	Cpl.	F. Brightman	Depot	12/2/29
Sgt.	J. Bray	1st	9/2/27	Cpl.	R. Dyson	1st	20/2/29
Sgt.	G. Clift	9th	9/2/27	Cpl.	P. Edwards	1st	23/2/29
Sgt.	G. Horrex	1st	9/2/27	*Cpl.	R. Chaplin	1st	17/6/29
*Sgt. (I.M.)	E. Robbins	1st	15/2/27	Cpl. (L./Sgt.)	C. Warren	1st	21/9/29
*Sgt.	R. Challis	1st	21/2/27	Cpl.	H. Tyler	1st	21/9/29
*Sgt.	C. V. Misso	1st	28/2/28	Cpl.	E. Edmunds	1st	10/10/29
*Sgt.	H. G. Thomas	1st	5/3/28	Cpl.	F. Rumens	1st	15/11/29
				Cpl.	E. Paterson	Depot	15/1/30

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Rank.	Name.	Battalion.	Date of present promotion.	Rank.	Name.	Battalion.	Date of present promotion.
Cpl.	J. W. Hood	1st	25/2/30	<i>Paid—</i>			
Cpl.	J. Chillery	Depot	20/3/30	L./Cpl.	H. Sims	1st	29/10/29
*Cpl.	C. Sneesby	Depot	6/4/30	L./Cpl.	E. Swadling	Depot	5/11/29
Cpl.	L. Beck	Depot	9/4/30	L./Cpl.	J. Robinson	1st	6/1/30
Cpl.	F. Payne	1st	11/4/30	L./Cpl.	H. Lyall	1st	9/1/30
Cpl.	F. Newstead	1st	19/4/30	L./Cpl.	C. Theobald	1st	15/1/30
*Cpl.	V. Cooper	1st	30/4/30	L./Cpl.	C. Bolton	1st	25/2/30
Cpl.	E. Zetter	1st	14/5/30	L./Cpl.	F. Povey	1st	12/3/30
Cpl.	A. Allchorne	1st	15/5/30	L./Cpl.	J. Thirkettle	1st	12/3/30
*Cpl.	J. Packard	1st	5/6/30	L./Cpl.	P. Hatchett	1st	21/3/30
				L./Cpl.	C. Brown	1st	21/3/30
				L./Cpl.	J. Riches	1st	3/4/30
				L./Cpl.	W. Smith	1st	3/4/30
				L./Cpl.	A. Morgan	1st	11/4/30
				*L./Cpl.	C. May	1st	16/4/30
				L./Cpl.	C. White	1st	16/4/30
				L./Cpl.	H. Maidment	1st	18/4/30
				L./Cpl.	G. Kirby	1st	20/4/30
				L./Cpl.	J. Bennett	1st	24/4/30
				L./Cpl.	J. Brewer	1st	26/4/30
				L./Cpl.	A. Stokes	1st	1/5/30
				L./Cpl.	P. McGann	1st	14/5/30
				L./Cpl.	J. Johnson	1st	15/5/30
				L./Cpl.	C. Pantling	1st	20/5/30
				L./Cpl.	A. Swan	1st	20/5/30
				L./Cpl.	P. Birmingham	1st	1/6/30
				L./Cpl.	P. Oliver	1st	5/6/30
				L./Cpl.	G. Jeffree	1st	5/6/30

Paid—

L./Cpl.	J. O'Neill	1st	28/1/26
L./Cpl.	E. Rochester	1st	26/8/27
L./Cpl.	A. Stone	1st	15/1/28
L./Cpl.	S. Green	1st	28/1/28
L./Cpl.	F. Hammond	1st	18/5/28
L./Cpl.	G. Veares	1st	29/5/28
L./Cpl.	J. Gould	1st	22/6/28
L./Cpl.	J. Barnett	1st	16/8/28
L./Cpl.	A. Allison	1st	14/9/28
L./Cpl.	W. Pinkney	Depot	29/10/28
L./Cpl.	R. Simmons	1st	15/1/29
L./Cpl.	H. Keen	1st	15/1/29
L./Cpl.	S. Bullock	1st	15/1/29
L./Cpl.	W. Lambert	Depot	20/2/29
L./Cpl.	R. Jenkins	1st	26/6/29
L./Cpl.	S. Phelan	1st	24/7/29
L./Cpl.	J. Urquhart	1st	3/8/29
L./Cpl.	B. White	1st	27/8/29
L./Cpl.	A. Nicholls	Depot	9/9/29
L./Cpl.	F. Connett	1st	13/9/29
L./Cpl.	B. Bedward	1st	19/9/29
L./Cpl.	W. Dibble	1st	21/9/29
L./Cpl.	W. Snell	Depot	2/10/29
L./Cpl.	A. Brown	Depot	2/10/29
L./Cpl.	F. Jeffree	1st	29/10/29

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L./Cpl.	S. Fletcher	1st	13/10/28
L./Cpl.	E. Plucknett	1st	2/6/30
L./Cpl.	W. Belcher	1st	2/6/30
L./Cpl.	T. Bristow	1st	2/6/30
L./Cpl.	A. Cladd	1st	17/6/30
L./Cpl.	P. Maloney	1st	17/6/30

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2nd BATTALION THE MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

Rank and Name.	Qualifications for promotion.	Date of present promotion.	Rank and Name.	Qualifications for promotion.	Date of present promotion.
R.S.M. S. Cox	...	20/1/26	Sgt. T. Tiller	...	29/5/28
Bdmr. H. Clibbens	...	22/2/24	Drum-Major H. Poulter	...	13/10/28
R.Q.M.S. W. Fletcher	...	31/1/30	Sgt. C. Champion
C.S.M. W. Beasley	...	30/1/15	(Sgt.-Mr.-Cook)	1st Cl. Ed.	1/1/29
C.S.M. J. Hart	...	20/1/26	Sgt. H. Short, M.M. (Intelligence-Sgt.)	1st Cl. Ed.	21/2/29
C.S.M. C. Kent	...	15/5/28	Sgt. A. Jones	...	8/4/29
C.S.M. E. Palmer	...	13/12/28	Sgt. E. Addinall	...	10/4/29
C.S.M. R. Colbourne	...	13/4/29	Sgt. A. Boen	...	13/4/29
Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	C. King	26/5/25	Sgt. C. Donaldson	...	25/4/29
Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	L. Hills	2/11/26	Sgt. W. Knighton (Signal Sgt.)	...	15/5/29
Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	W. West	22/2/28	Sgt. G. Sherriff	...	9/12/29
Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	G. Capel	1st Cl. Ed. 6/11/29	Sgt. F. Nash	...	11/12/29
Col.-Sgt. (C.Q.M.S.)	H. Hewitt	1st Cl. Ed. 27/12/29	Sgt. W. Green (Sgt.-Instr., Musketry)	...	27/12/29
Sgt. A. Walker (Prov. Sgt.)	...	1/5/20	Sgt. A. Russell	1st Cl. Ed.	16/2/30
Sgt. H. Glover	...	1/5/20			
Sgt. G. Mewett	...	12/12/23			
Sgt. L. Simmonds	1st Cl. Ed.	24/8/24			
Sgt. J. Beaveridge	...	28/1/25			
Sgt. S. Ingle (Pioneer Sgt.)	1st Cl. Ed.	27/2/25			
Sgt. G. Bone (Transp. Sgt.)	...	19/3/26			
Sgt. W. Harwood (Band Sgt.)	...	17/8/27			
Sgt. S. Bishop	...	12/11/27			
Sgt. L. Johnson	...	24/12/27			
Sgt. F. Stacey	1st Cl. Ed.	22/2/28			
Sgt. (O.R.S.)	W. Baker	1st Cl. Ed. 20/3/28			
Sgt. F. Denchfield	1st Cl. Ed.	20/3/28			
Sgt. A. Webb	...	15/5/28			

Paid—

L./Sgt. S. Copelin	1st Cl. Ed.	1/1/27
L./Sgt. G. Blackman	...	13/4/29
L./Sgt. A. Hows	...	25/4/29
L./Sgt. W. Kemp	1st Cl. Ed.	11/12/29
L./Sgt. H. Ison	...	27/12/29
L./Sgt. H. Cartwright	...	16/2/30
L./Sgt. R. Parsler	...	31/3/30
L./Sgt. H. Marshall	(Officers' Mess Sgt.)	14/4/30

Rank and Name.	Qualifications for promotion.	Date of present promotion.	Rank and Name.	Qualifications for promotion.	Date of present promotion
<i>Paid—</i>			<i>Paid—</i>		
Cpl. E. Wright ...	Passed (B)	26/4/26	L./Cpl. R. Osborne ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. J. Painter ...	—	23/5/26	L./Cpl. A. Woolford ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. C. Turner ...	Passed (B)	22/1/27	L./Cpl. L. Waddington ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. W. Chalkley ...	—	26/4/28	L./Cpl. F. Smith ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. H. Lowry ...	—	26/4/28	L./Cpl. T. Palmer ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. L. Newstead ...	—	26/4/28	L./Cpl. H. Webb ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. E. Noakes ...	—	15/5/28	L./Cpl. E. Wilson ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. J. Harper ...	—	10/7/28	L./Cpl. L. Burgess ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. J. Chester ...	—	13/12/28	L./Cpl. H. Rogers ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. J. Jackson ...	—	13/12/28	L./Cpl. A. Palmer ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. E. Hillier ...	—	25/12/28	L./Cpl. G. Herbert ...	—	1/11/29
Cpl. W. Ray ...	—	22/1/29	L./Cpl. J. Oatway ...	—	11/12/29
Cpl. R. Hannam (Provost Corporal) ...	—	21/2/29	L./Cpl. L. Sheffield ...	—	27/12/29
Cpl. C. Trestain ...	—	26/3/29	L./Cpl. G. Tennant ...	—	3/1/30
Cpl. J. Ramsey ...	—	10/4/29	L./Cpl. S. Moore ...	—	15/1/30
Cpl. S. Cudmore ...	—	13/4/29	L./Cpl. H. Elcome ...	—	28/1/30
Cpl. F. Orton ...	—	15/4/29	L./Cpl. F. Gribble ...	—	31/1/30
Cpl. R. Smith (Band Cpl.) ...	—	15/4/29	L./Cpl. H. Frewin ...	—	5/2/30
Cpl. W. Boothby ...	—	16/4/29	L./Cpl. W. Kemp ...	—	16/2/30
Cpl. C. Cooper ...	—	25/4/29	L./Cpl. R. Lomax ...	—	31/3/30
Cpl. G. Chandler ...	—	25/4/29	L./Cpl. J. Chandler ...	—	1/4/30
Cpl. F. Higgins ...	—	25/4/29			22/4/30
Cpl. G. Balls ...	—	15/5/29	<i>Unpaid—</i>		
Cpl. H. Hamblin ...	—	20/5/29	L./Cpl. J. Rainbow ...	—	15/12/28
Cpl. R. Wilson ...	—	24/5/29	L./Cpl. W. Mounce ...	—	6/2/29
Cpl. J. Scott ...	—	5/6/29	L./Cpl. W. Bowers ...	—	4/3/29
Cpl. W. Searle ...	—	1/11/29	L./Cpl. L. Grainger ...	—	20/3/29
Cpl. F. Hill ...	—	9/12/29	L./Cpl. H. Leonard ...	—	7/5/29
Cpl. H. Holland ...	—	11/12/29	L./Cpl. A. Parrott ...	—	14/8/29
Cpl. C. Watson ...	—	27/12/29	L./Cpl. G. Kemp ...	—	31/8/29
Cpl. A. Brett ...	—	5/2/30	L./Cpl. F. Cook ...	—	11/9/29
Cpl. J. Smith ...	—	31/1/30	L./Cpl. E. Warnes ...	—	18/9/29
Cpl. S. Smith ...	—	28/1/30	L./Cpl. H. Dujardin ...	—	30/9/29
Cpl. F. Knight ...	—	16/2/30	L./Cpl. W. Faris ...	—	4/10/29
Cpl. S. Lilley ...	—	22/4/30	L./Cpl. E. Bennett ...	—	8/10/29
<i>Paid—</i>			L./Cpl. F. Housden ...	—	26/11/29
L./Cpl. E. Jennings ...	Passed (A)	30/9/27	L./Cpl. A. Parker ...	—	26/11/29
L./Cpl. D. Green ...	Passed (A)	29/5/29	L./Cpl. W. Flude ...	—	26/11/29
L./Cpl. P. Carter ...	Passed (A)	29/5/29	L./Cpl. J. Burton ...	—	2/12/29
L./Cpl. W. Fricker ...	Passed (A)	29/5/29	L./Cpl. S. Doe ...	—	7/12/29
L./Cpl. W. Biffin ...	Passed (A)	29/5/29	L./Cpl. E. Setters ...	—	23/12/29
L./Cpl. J. Smith ...	Passed (A)	29/5/29	L./Cpl. H. Grocott ...	—	23/12/29
L./Cpl. A. Whitcombe ...	Passed (A)	29/5/29	L./Cpl. A. Treadwell ...	—	3/1/30
L./Cpl. G. Hornett ...	Passed (A)	26/7/29	L./Cpl. L. Groom ...	—	21/1/30
L./Cpl. L. Woodley ...	Passed (A)	26/7/29	L./Cpl. D. Parrish ...	—	27/1/30
L./Cpl. W. Fountain ...	Passed (A)	26/7/29	L./Cpl. R. Smallridge ...	—	1/2/30
L./Cpl. H. Taylor ...	Passed (A)	26/7/29	L./Cpl. A. Harvey ...	—	7/2/30
L./Cpl. E. Oram ...	Passed (A)	1/11/29	L./Cpl. C. Parker ...	—	18/2/30
L./Cpl. D. Drew ...	Passed (A)	1/11/29	L./Cpl. A. Humphries ...	—	25/2/30
L./Cpl. S. Mills ...	Passed (A)	1/11/29	L./Cpl. F. Deane ...	—	26/2/30
L./Cpl. C. Ives ...	Passed (A)	1/11/29	L./Cpl. F. Walker ...	—	26/2/30
L./Cpl. H. Padgett ...	Passed (A)	1/11/29	L./Cpl. H. Walker ...	—	1/3/30
L./Cpl. A. Fletcher ...	—	1/11/29	L./Cpl. M. Lloyd ...	—	1/3/30
L./Cpl. F. Livens ...	—	1/11/29	L./Cpl. W. McEnergy ...	—	26/3/30
L./Cpl. E. Moir ...	—	1/11/29	L./Cpl. W. Brown ...	—	11/4/30
L./Cpl. G. Smith ...	—	1/11/29	L./Cpl. L. Long ...	—	16/4/30
L./Cpl. A. Hawker ...	Passed (A)	1/11/29	L./Cpl. F. Hawkins ...	—	9/5/30
L./Cpl. H. Smith ...	—	1/11/29	L./Cpl. E. Sleep ...	—	10/5/30
L./Cpl. H. Etheridge ...	—	1/11/29	L./Cpl. G. Maunder ...	—	19/5/30
L./Cpl. T. Holland ...	—	1/11/29	L./Cpl. H. French ...	—	24/5/30
L./Cpl. S. Copelin ...	—	1/11/29			

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