AT OLD SHOEBURYNESS.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE MEN WHO WON THE PRIZE CUP.

The Excellent Appearance of the Men-Their Efficiency Patent to All - Lord Wolseley's Complimentary Words to the Canadians .- Other Features.

This year, for the fourth time in the history of the National Artillery Association, the Dominion of Canada sent representative detachments of artillerymen to compete against their comrades of the Mother Country and the Channel Islands, meeting.

The first visit of the Canadians to England was in 1881, a second visit in 1883, and the third in 1886.

The team that so worthily sustained the credit of Canada, and whose portraits form the group here given, consists of the following:

Lieut-Col. M. Cole, 2nd Garrison Artillery (Commandant); Captain Myles, Toronto Field Battery (Adjutant); Sergeant-Instructor Bridgeford, R. C. A. Quebec; Bombardier William Nott, R. C. A., Quebec; Gunner Jos. Rousseau, R. C.

"It is now some ten years since I last had the pleasure of attending here upon a similar occasion. I am very glad indeed to find that there is no falling off in any way whatever in your efficiency; that your appearance on parade is quite as good, I might say better than it was on the occasion when I was here before, and that the manner in which you marched past left, I think, nothing to be desired. There are a great number of points well worthy of notice, as I gather from looking over the report which was given to me before I for the prizes offered at the Shoeburyness came here. I am very glad, amongst other things, to recognise the fact of a detachment coming from Canada, a country where I spent so many happy years of my own life, and with whose destinies I feel wrapped up. I have always entertained, and always shall continue to entertain, the greatest affection and respect for the Canadian people. I only hope that by-and-by we shall have some of our other colonies sending detachments to compete at Shoeburyness on these annual occasions. I regret to find there is no representative of the Indian Artillery here, for, although it is a small body, still I think it would be a

the conclusion of the movements, saying: | Mayor, visited the Mansion-house and Guildhall, then marched to Fenchuroh street Station with fixed sword bayonets (by special permission of the Lord Mayor), and entrained to Shoeburyness, where they were met by Qmr. Stevens, R. A., the R. A. band, and a number of the garrison. Attending church parade on Sunday with the garrison, they spent the week in drill, and when the competitions commenced

they proved that time had not been wasted. "At the end of the week they came to town, went into quarters at St. George's Barracks, and the same afternoon visited the grand Volunteer Military Tournament at the Crystal Palace, being entertained at dinner in the evening by the Crystal Palace Company. On Sunday they visited the Zoo; on Monday went through the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, being received by Dr. Anderson, D. G. of O. F., and Staff, lunched with the 3rd. Kent, V. A., after which they inspected the Artillery Institute, Rotunda, &c.

"Returning to town, they were received at the King's-hall, Holborn, at dinner by the Volunteer Artillery of England, Sir Donald Smith, High Commissioner for Canada, Sir F. Middleton, and Lieut-Gen-

THE BARTERING INSTINCT. A Case in Which it was Strongly Developed and Persistent.

There was a wistful expression on his face as he strolled up to the box-office of the theatre. He stroked his beard with an assumption of nonchalance and said to the young man who was selling tickets:-

'Be ye goin' ter hev anythin' goin' on here ter-night?'

'Yes, sir,' was the answer. 'We have a performance here every night.' 'Crowded houses ?'

'Oh I guess we can find a place for you if you want to go in.'

Most any place 'ud do fur me.' 'We can sell you a seat for twenty-five

'I wouldn't want anythin' very expensive.

'That's rock-bottom prices, is it?'

'We can't give any discount on that.' 'Wal, I dunno. Would ye sorter do me pus'nal favor ?'

It was a dull day and the man in the box-office was a little lonely and to keep the conversation going, he answered:-'Yes, if you don't ask me to pass you into the show for nothing.'

·I wouldn't make no sech request es that, I'm willin' ter pay fur my amusement, or go wethout. But would you take five two-cent stamps in part payment?

'Yes. We can use them.'

'An' I've got a dime with a hole in it Would ye jes ez soon let that go in for eight cents? That's a discount of two cents on account of the hole.'

The ticket seller was thoroughly amused by this time and he answered :-

'Yes. Let's have it.'

'That'll make eighteen cents. I reckon you'll want seven cents more.'

'I'm afraid I will.'

"Wal, here's the eighteen cents. I'll come around ter-night an' set down anywhere ye put me an' when ye think I've seen eighteen cents' wuth, ye kin send one o' yer hired men around an' notify me. I'll git right up an' go out an' there won't be any disturbance whatsomever.'

'We can't do anything like that You'll have to buy a ticket for the whole show or not go in at all.'

'Wal, there's only one thing I kin offer ye. Ye can take yer choice. I'll give ye this here jack knife that I paid a quarter fur less'n a year ago, an' which only hez one blade out o' the three broke. Er 1'.1 give ye this ten-cent piece of chewin terbacker which I was goin' ter take home ez a present ter the hired man.'

'I-I don't see how we can do anything

'It 'ud be a great accommodation.'
'All right,' said the amiable ticket seller.
'Hand over the jack-knife.' And he threw

him out a ticket. 'I know ye ain't runnin' no junkshop, the applicant said as he passed over the cutlery, 'an' I'm much obliged ter ye fur makin' this exception. I hated ter go 'way wethout seein' a theayter-show, but et ! wus ter hev paid real money out an' out, don't think Meh tabel would ever fergive me fur it. But the postage stamps 'ud likely hev got lost before I got a chance ter use 'em an' I couldn't pass the dime an' I've got another jack-knife. So ez long ez I jes' traded in fur it, I kin enjoy the actin' weth a clear conscience an' go home an' tell Mehitabel all about it.'

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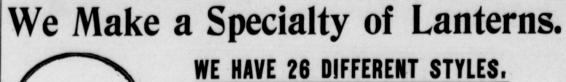


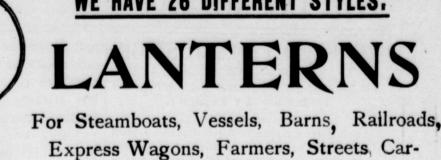
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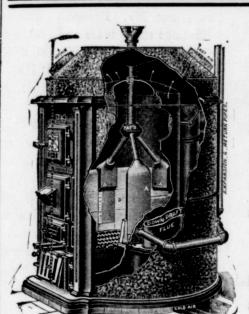
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Field Battery, Hamilton. A fortnight before the team sailed for England most of the men were strangers to each other. They assembled at Quebec and commenced to drill together at the citadel, where they were instructed several times everyday, at intervals, in the various branches of work, including firing

The excellent manner in which the men pulled together in the short time allowed them before embarkation for England had | proud to have you for our comrades, and a fitting sequel in the circumstance that they carried off first honors in the Garrison artillery contest when competing against the pick of their comrades sent up from the different parts of the United Kingdom.

A special feature of one of the concluding days of the meeting was the visit of Field-Marshal Viscount Wolseley, for the purpose of inspecting the detachments in camp. The day set apart for this function was Friday. The Commander-in-Chief was received by the principal officers of the School of Gunnery, including Colonel Stewart (Commandant); Colonel Bally (Camp Commandant); and several of the chief officers of the Volunteers, among the latter being Lord Stradbroke, president of the N. A. A. Council.

Previous to his inspection of the Volunteers Lord Wolseley paid a round of visits to various departments of the camp, including the hospital, kitchens, etc. The troops, formed in three brigades, were drawn up for inspection on the officer's cricket ground. They were closely inspected, then they marched past twice, and finally advanced in review order.

am very glad to see a detachment from the Channel Islands, and I hope they will continue to send detachments here every year. The detachment from Canada, I am sure will go back with great pride to our brothers on the other side of the Atlantic,

carrying the great and highly sought for prize (the Queens) which they have won." The camp broke up on Saturday morn. the Volunteer troops, Colonel Bally, the camp commandant issued the following brief, but highly complimentary order:-The camp commandant, in bidding goodbye to all ranks who have attended the thirty-second meeting of the National Artillery Association, wishes to take the ophigh state of discipline and efficiency which

been carried out. of the Canadians and the excellent bearing | tric railway to the city, passing Billingsof the team, as individuals and as a body, has been heartily appreciated by the staff of the N. N.A. Meeting and all ranks of

the competitors." Before the Canadians left the camp Major Wrenn, of the City of London Artillery (Camp Brigade Major), addressed them in the following terms: -" Soldiers of the Canadian Militia, as camp brigademajor, I bid you good-bye and God-speed on behalf of all ranks. You have had the distinguished honour of winning Her Most Gracious Majesty's Cup, the Queen's Prize, but you have done more; you have won the respect and confidence of every officer and man in this camp. We are we are thankful to know that the far-off frontier of the British Empire, our common heritage, is in guardianship of men such as you. By your conduct and achievement here, by the stirring feelings which they evoked, you have done as much in the direction of the confederation of the Empire and in securing the union of hearts as could by done by the speeches and schemes of many statesmen. Once more, for one and all, I bid you good-bye and

The Liverpool Courier gives an account of the experiences of Col. F. M. Cole and the Canadian team, from their arrival in

Liverpool till their departure for home. "They landed at Liverpool on the 5th of July, and were met by Col. W. W. Clay, and officers of the 8th Lancashire V. A., Commander MacIver, R. N. R., with R. N. R. band; on arrival at Euston Station at one o'clock, Major Van Stow secretary of the association, received them, Lieut. Col. C. B. Clay, Captain Horncastle, and other officers being present. They proceeded direct to the Mansion-house, where they were entertained at lunch by the Lord

outstanding portions of our Empire if the Tuesday they visited St Paul's Cathedral, magnificent army of India could be repre- | Canon Newbolt kindly conducting them; sented on occasions like the present. I thence they proceeded to the Bank of England, and were shown all the departments. After lunching at Crosby-hall they were shown over Newgate, returned to barracks for a meal, and spent the evening at the

"On Wednesday they proceeded by train to Hampton Court, thence by steam launch, Princess Beatrice, to Windsor, lunched at the 'White Hart,' and were conducted all ing Aug. 8th but before the departure of over the Castle by Mr. Leonard Collman, the inspector, being shown the Gold Pantry and all special parts of the Palace.

"Thursday was started by viewing St. James's Palace, the Houses of Parliament, Westminister Abbey, Buckingham Palace, and the Royal Mews, the evening being occupied at the Palace Theatre. On Fridportunity of congratulating them upon the | ay they visited the headquarters of the fire brigade, being there when the call for the has obtained during the week, and upon Floral-hall, Covent garden, was received, the earnestness with which all duties have the second officer, Mr. Gamble, who was courteously showing them over, having to "The success which attended the efforts | leave very hurriedly. Proceeding by elecgate, the Coal Exchange, the Customhouse, they were specially shown over the Tower of London, including Sir Walter Raleigh's cell and other places not usually public. After visiting Madame Tussaud's and returning to barracks for rest, officers and men visited the Royal Music hall, where the Canadian National Air was

"Saturday was a restful day, the detachment going to the Earl's Court Exhibition for the atternoon and evening, and there being broken up, so far as the team were concerned. All these visits were by invitation. The officers have also been invited to the Shattesbury Theatre and Empire Theatre. Many other invitations were received, but their brief stay prevented all of them being accepted. Colonel Cole speaks very highly of the attention and courtesy they have raceived from Lord Stradbrooke, Major Vane Stow, and the other officers of the National Artillery Association.

over four years; the doctor said it was constipation. Not wanting to spend too much cash I got three bottles of B. B. B. and took it regularly. I can certify that I are now in the very least of the spend too much cash I got three bottles of B. B. B. and took it regularly. I can certify that I are now in the very least of the spend took in the spend too now in the very best of health and feel very

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