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THE CANADIAN MILITIA.

Since his accession to office in 1896 as Minister of Militia, Hon. Dr. Borden has rendered most excellent service to this country, placing the militia forces in a condition of efficiency it never before attained. The minister is a practical man in the department, and the country is feeling the good effects of his administration. Under his care an esprit du corps has been developed in the force, and it is better drilled and better equipped than ever before. The prompt despatch of contingents to South Africa showed the excellence of the department's organization. It was a new condition, and the minister and his subordinates met it and overcame all difficulties in a manner that commanded the admiration of the country.

Dr. Borden is perfecting new plans for the improvement of the militia, and he hopes to place them before parliament in practical form at the next session. The Minister proposes to increase the permanent force from 1,000 to 1,500, and by means of the organization of rifle clubs to raise the strength of the militia from 35,000 to 100,000.

While the militia estimates were before parliament Thursday night, Dr. Borden announced his programme and it was well received by the House. He declared that the great gifts which this country enjoys carry with them their responsibilities, and we should be unworthy of our grand resources if we were not prepared to defend them. He believed that in our times of prosperity this country should devote some of its revenue to the matter of defence.

Dr. Borden then outlined the changes to which we have already referred, but in speaking of the proposition to increase the time to be spent by the militia in camps he said he was afraid it would not be possible to get men away from their avocations for 21 days every year, but it might be practicable once in three years to give the men a longer period of drill than 12 days.

Undoubtedly the day is near at hand, Dr. Borden said, when we should have at least one more arsenal situated in a central part of Canada, and the government in a short time will have in operation in Canada a factory capable of turning out from 12,000 to 15,000 rifles yearly, working eight hours per day, and more than double that number, full time. The arms to be turned out was the Sir Charles Ross rifle. It has been carefully tested by a commission including Col Otter, Lieut. Col. Hughes, Lieut. Col. Anderson, Col. Gibson and others, and was favorably reported upon. On the strength of that report it had been adopted by the militia department, and a contract had been entered into with Sir Charles Ross for the manufacture of the rifle for the Canadian militia.

Dr. Borden said that the war in South Africa had proved that instead of being the delicate arm it was supposed to be, the Lee-Enfield was a serviceable strong rifle and so, instead of waiting till central armories were created, the rifle would be issued at once to all the rural battalions to be stored in ordinary company armories. He was now sorry he had not done this before. It was possible to have in this country, he said, a very effective defensive force at very little more expenditure than the present outlay. This would be done, as explained already, on the lines of interesting all classes of citizens in rifle shooting and thus bringing them out to meet with the militia. It would bring in a

body of young men well equipped and expert in the use of the rifle. There should be an efficient headquarters staff, but he believed in decentralization to the extent that there should also be effective district staffs ready to act immediately if called upon. He wanted educated, well trained officers, and he agreed that there should be to that end, a severe examination. There were now on the reserve of officers and on the unattached list a number of valuable officers who should be kept in touch with the militia by giving them something to do every other year.

It is said that the list of honors to be conferred by the King during the coronation will fill several columns of the newspapers. Lord Salisbury is said to be down for a dukedom, and no doubt His Majesty's colonial ministers will not be forgotten. There is a suspicion that Hon. Dr. Borden and Hon. Wm. Mulock will be knighted and the same honor may also fall to the Canadian provincial premiers. Sir Samuel Tweedie for instance would sound all right.

MARYSVILLE NEWS.

(Special Correspondence to the Herald.)

April 10.—Victoria Lodge P. A. P. B. No 23, celebrated their sixth anniversary last evening by entertaining their friends to a social concert. Norman Cochran W. M., occupied the chair and an excellent musical and literary programme was carried out. The speakers of the evening were Rev. W. B. Robinson of Gibson and Rev. Allen Rideout; both gentlemen were in their usual good form and held the attention of the large audience to the close of their very able addresses. Miss Alice Day sang a solo, which was listened to with great delight and she was compelled to respond to a well earned encore. Miss Edith Crisp played her accompaniments. Addison Handley recited in his usual good form and was well received. Messrs. McCarthy and Snider played a musical duett which added greatly to the evening's entertainment. Light refreshments were served at intermission. The affair was a grand success throughout.

Mayor Rockwell of Kentville, N. S., Grand Master of the Oddfellows of the maritime provinces paid an official visit to Nashwaak Lodge No. 72 last evening and addressed the members at some length, after which the brethren went in for a good time, sandwiches, cake and coffee were served. Mr. Rockwell is to officially visit several lodges in his jurisdiction before returning home.

Miss Edith Gibson arrived home today from Lowell, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Fred Shaw.

Miss Alice Eno left by this afternoon's train for Lawrence, Mass., to see her sister, who is reported quite ill.

April 11—People turned out in force last evening to attend the Governor's ball. Among those who went from here were:

Mr and Mrs John McConnell.
Mr and Mrs C. H. Hatt
Mr and Mrs Walter Reid.
Mr and Mrs Frank Merritt.
Mr and Mrs Millard Reid.
Mrs E. A. Tapley, and Miss Tapley.
Mrs W. T. Day, and the Misses Day.
The Misses McConnell.

Mrs. Alex Gibson and Harry Gibson, and others.

The Canada Eastern ran a special trip up "after the ball."

A Convenience.

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(Special to Daily Herald.)

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Signed S. E. WOODS,
Solicitor for Applicants.

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Apr 8—d.j.

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