

R. TROOP.



Top Row : Cpl. Pollock, Ptes Clifton, Shortall, Morris, Bell, Elliott, Pallister, Keedwell, Hammond, Start, Powell, Ward, Taylor, Kewin, Gibbs. 2nd Row : L/Cpl. Hearn, Ptes Avery, Smith, Bloomer, Jackson, Copping, Long, S. S. Fraser, L/Cpl. Brown, Ptes Dunce, Tee, O'Keefe, Bentley, Chapman, Burchell. 3rd Row : L/Cpls. Scales, Mason, Pte. Roche, L/Cpl. Webb, Pte. Knight, L/Cpls. Nepean, Richards, Pte. Addison, L/Cpl. Swadling, Pte. Jordan, L/Cpl. Waugh, Ptes. Hunt, Dickson, Rogers, Sinfield, Mansfield, Bodill, Breadmore, Cpl. Philpott, Pte. Hannay. 4th Row : A.S.S. Werts, Ptes. Bodill, Henwood, Durman, Goddard, Bell, Hodges, L/Cpl. Giddy, Cpl. Hawkins, Pte. Garritt, Cpl. Olivier, L/Cpl. Snell, Ptes. Nash, Savage, Wallis, L/Cpl. Broad. Front Row : L/Sergt. Stevens, Sgts. Forrest, Bell, Goodwin, Keats, Maher, S.Q.M.S. Marshall, Capt. W. T. Littlewood, Lieut. H. C. Brocklehurst, Bd. Mr. Atherley, S.S.M. I. F. Mitchell, F. S. S. Manser, Sgts. Smeed, Hibble, Adcock, Callaghan, Walkup, L/Sgt. Pittock. Lying : Ptes. Green, Wink, Jones, Bodill, Errett, Thorpe, Ashby, Roberson, Sharples, Harkinson.

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## EDITORS NOTES.

We are glad to hear that Mr. Murland has been adding to his list of racing successes and congratulate him on winning the Pytchley Hunt Light-weight Steeplechase at Arthingworth, Northamptonshire, on his own horse *Ardenville*. He finished fourth on the same horse in the Army Light Weight Point to Point.

At the beginning of this quarter the bees have been very pugnacious when swarming. On 3rd April one of these swarms settled on Major Mitford's trap horse, and stung it so badly that it died that evening. Luckily "Bob," who was driving, escaped unhurt, although several who went to his assistance were not so fortunate.

On 6th April Mr. Lee, about whose lecturing we wrote in our last number, came down and gave us another lecture on the "Battle Honours of the Regiment"

Major Shearman, in introducing the speaker, referred us to the wide scope of the Imperial Army in carrying on operations, and compared the Battle Honours of the various regiments to the number of *pink places* on the map of the world. These had nearly all been gained by the efforts of the army, and, besides these, there were many other localities in which British blood had flown—Copenhagen, Belgium, Germany, Spain, throughout Europe to

the Crimea, Tangier and South America (including Argentine and Monte Video). In fact, he said, the only country annexed without the help of the army was Australia. In concluding, he informed us that Mr. Lee was here to tell us in which places the 10th Hussars had shared in gaining these victories, and that each member of the Regiment should be jealous of the Name and Honour gained by the Regiment, and should endeavour to keep them up.

Mr. Lee, in opening his lecture, reminded us that the Colours were the symbol of the heart of a regiment, and the historic battles were on them in order to perpetuate them. Colours taught us of privation endured and obedience to orders, even when it meant certain death.

In talking of recruits, he mentioned that it was always British youth that had carried all before it, although continuous complaints had been made by Commanders in the field as to the class of recruit supplied him:—e.g. Grey from Martinique, and Colin Campbell from India, when in a despatch he asked for men and not boys. Again, Moore from Corunna said, "I don't know which are the worst, officers or men," on account of their youth and tendency to loot. However, in spite of all this, the essential factor, *esprit de corps*, was predominant, and thus honours are emblazoned on the colours to this day, which prove that these mere boys were imbued with the British grit that enabled them to defeat the seasoned veterans of Napoleon and other famous commanders.

Continuing, he explained that the example set by the British troops had spread to their followers, and quoted Rudyard Kipling's Ballad, *Gunga Deen*.

It was impossible to give the explanation of how battle honours had been given, and unfitting for a civilian to criticise. At any time regiments might receive a belated honour, as Warburg had been, 150 years after the event, to the Regiment. Another instance: Stellenberg (in Marlborough's time) is not on any colours, although there were more casualties than in the whole of the Afghan Campaign, 1879, when 7 honours were given.

Mr. Lee now went on briefly to narrate the early history of the Regiment. After the War of the Spanish Succession, Bolingbroke, who was a sympathiser with the Jacobites, for furtherance of that cause reduced the army by 33,000 men.

In 1714, when George I came to the throne he found at his disposal, to meet any Jacobite rising, only 22,000 men, and of these 15,000 were in either Flanders or the Colonies. So in January 1715 he reinstated the 7th Dragoons and the 8th Hussars, and the 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th Regiments of Light Dragoons were raised. The 10th was raised in Hertfordshire by Col. Gore. In 1783 the Prince of Wales commanded the Tenth and assigned to them the title of Prince of Wales Own Light Dragoons. In 1806 the Regiment was changed from Dragoons to Hussars, and in February 1811 the Prince of Wales (later George IV) became Regent and conferred on his regiment the designation *Royal*, and directed that in future it should be called "The Tenth Prince of Wales' Own Royal Regiment of Hussars."

The Regiment received its baptism of fire in 1746 at Falkirk in the operations against the Second Pretender, and took a prominent part in the destruction of the Highland army at Culloden, which ended in a total defeat of the Jacobites. The next campaign in which the Regiment took part was the Seven Years War (1758) and was present at the battles of Minden and Warburg, at which latter place it captured the two brass guns which are now in the Tower of London. In 1763 the Regiment returned to England.

In May 1807 the Regiment received orders for service in the Peninsular and arrived off Corunna on 10th November, where they swam their horses ashore, and became part of the army under Sir John Moore. They were present at the Battles of Sahagun, Benevente, Mayorga, the passage of the Coa and Corunna. Throughout this campaign many deeds of gallantry were recorded of the Regiment, and on 26th March 1809 they landed in England with only 30 horses out of the 600 they started with.

In 1813 the Regiment was again in the Peninsular for the Vittoria Campaign, being present at the fight, Toulouse, the passage of the Pyrenees and at Morales del Toro, where the action of Major Robert's Squadron went far to win the day.

In 1815 the Regiment took part in the Waterloo Campaign and acquitted itself with marked distinction. This was followed by the Crimea in 1855, taking part in the fall of Sebastopol, which is one of the Battle Honours of the Regiment.

In 1879 the Regiment was part of the force under Brigadier-General Charles Gough engaged with the Atghans at Ali Musjid, Peiwar-Kotal, Gunda-muck and Futtehabad, one squadron being lost at the crossing of the Kabul River, 31st March 1879. Mr. Lee here quoted from Lieutenant-General Sir Samuel Browne's report on the Regiment:—"The Regiment is one that any service in the world would be proud of. Tried in the field at Futtehabad against greatly superior numbers, tested in in many and long days' reconnaissance and outpost duty, in the accident at the ford of the Cabul River, and in the attack of cholera while passing through the Khyber, the high discipline and soldier-like qualities of this noble Regiment have ever shone forth, proving no less the efficiency of the present officers than the careful training it has received in the past."

In 1884 the Regiment landed in Egypt at Suakin on its way home from India and was present at El Teb and Tamaai. The lecturer then narrated the *Tale of the Tenth Hussars*, referring to the bravery of Trooper Hayes, and his desire as a reward to have back the 'man on the old white horse' (General Baker Pasha). For this campaign the battle honour "Egypt, 1884" was given.

From 1899—1902 the Regiment took part in the South African War, but as this was such recent history the lecturer passed on quickly, reminding us of the valour that was shown then, and mentioning the bravery of Sir John Milbanke and Sergeant Engleheart, which secured them the much coveted V.C.

In concluding, he said that although colours do not always lead one to victory, they taught one to fight and were a symbol showing one that England expected everyone to do his duty.

Major Shearman then thanked the lecturer saying that he knew Mr. Lee would impell our attention, and he could plainly see how interested we had all been. He hoped that everyone would bear in mind what those, who had gone before, had done, and remember to keep up the reputation of the Regiment.

Three cheers were then heartily given for the lecturer.

Lord Chesham joined the Regiment on 11th April, thereby increasing the roll of the Hereditary Tenth Hussars. We take this opportunity of wishing him a hearty welcome.

The Musical Ride was again as popular as ever when it showed at the Agricultural Show in Johannesburg on 15th—18th April. It was practically the same Ride as shown in November and was probably greatly responsible for drawing a record crowd to the Show Ground. It was very complimentary to hear the pleasing remarks that were frequently passed. Lord Airlie won one of the many Jumping prizes, Major Mitford won the Light Weight Polo Ponies with *Damages* and Mr. Brocklehurst the Heavy Weight with *Nunky*.

At the Potchefstroom Agricultural Show, on 23rd April, R.S.M. King secured 1st Prize in the Skill-at-Arms Competition, Sergt. Farrant 2nd in the Jumping, and 'C' and 'B' Squadrons were placed 1st and 2nd respectively in the Section Tent Pegging.

At some sports held at Ventersdorp on 24th May our representatives in the Mounted Events scored the following successes:—

2nd, Individual Tent Pegging, Cpl. Coombes.

2nd, ½ Section Tent Pegging, Cpls. Coombes and Jones.

We heard with regret that our popular brigadier, General O'Brien, is not returning to his command here in Potchefstroom. Both the General and Mrs. O'Brien will be greatly missed by all ranks, as the great interest they showed in all forms of work and sport in the Regiment were very evident. We assure him that we very much appreciated all his kindness and are happy to have had the privilege of serving under him. We are glad to hear that he has got another appointment connected with his own Arm. We offer him our sincerest congratulations and wishes for the best of luck in which we would like to add the names of Mrs. and Miss O'Brien.

We also have to record the departure of the Commander-in-Chief, General Sir Reginald Hart, V.C. He passed through Potchefstroom on 22nd April on his way to Cape Town. Many took this opportunity of saying farewell. Everyone deeply regrets the departure of such a gallant soldier, and it was evident that he felt sad at leaving the country.

By an oversight, we regret we omitted, in our last number, to announce the birth of a son to Major and Mrs. Crichton. We heartily congratulate

them and hope that the Regiment will some day be able to welcome as a member the third generation of the family.

On 5th May Lieutenant-General Sir James Wolfe Murray, K.C.B., landed at Cape Town to take over the duties of Commander-in-Chief in South Africa.

Just before the commencement of the Squadron Training period several officers returned from leave. Mr. Murland arrived on 30th April and Captain Palmes on 7th May. The latter spent the early part of the year in Spain, practising for Lord Wimborne's English Polo Team, with a view to going to America in the summer for the International Polo. However, as he was unable to find suitable ponies, he decided to return.

The long tale of fires continues. On 8th May at 10.15 p.m. Major Mitford's stable was discovered to be on fire. So quickly did the flames take hold of the building that the ponies were only just got out in time. Capt. Atkinson, of the Royals, was badly burnt about the head by molten lead, while successfully getting out the last pony. We sympathise with Major Mitford in the total loss of his saddlery and buggy.

Mr. Brocklehurst left us on 22nd May for England, where he will have a few months prior to joining Sir Ernest Shackleton's Antarctic Expedition. The whole Regiment wishes him the best of luck and a safe return. We are all confident that he will do splendid service towards the success of the expedition.

We hope, in future numbers, to be able to give some details as to his particular duties in the expedition.

On 24th May Sir Basil Brooke had a nasty accident on his motor bicycle, and was very lucky to escape with his life. He was returning from golf at dusk and had just passed the head-lights of a motor car, when he ran into a cape-cart which was following. His front wheel must have gone between the two horses and the pole run straight into him, with the result that he had both his jaw and cheek bones broken, lost all his teeth and two ribs fractured. He is now making a very good recovery and leaves for England shortly.

On 28th May the Colonel and Captain Sir Frank Rose arrived from England. We are pleased to see that the Colonel has now completely got over his accident, at any rate as far as his activity is concerned, and able to join in games again.

Capt. Rose has taken over command of 'B'

Squadron, after 5 years absence from the Regiment, during which time he has been at the Depot. The Regiment extends him a hearty welcome back.

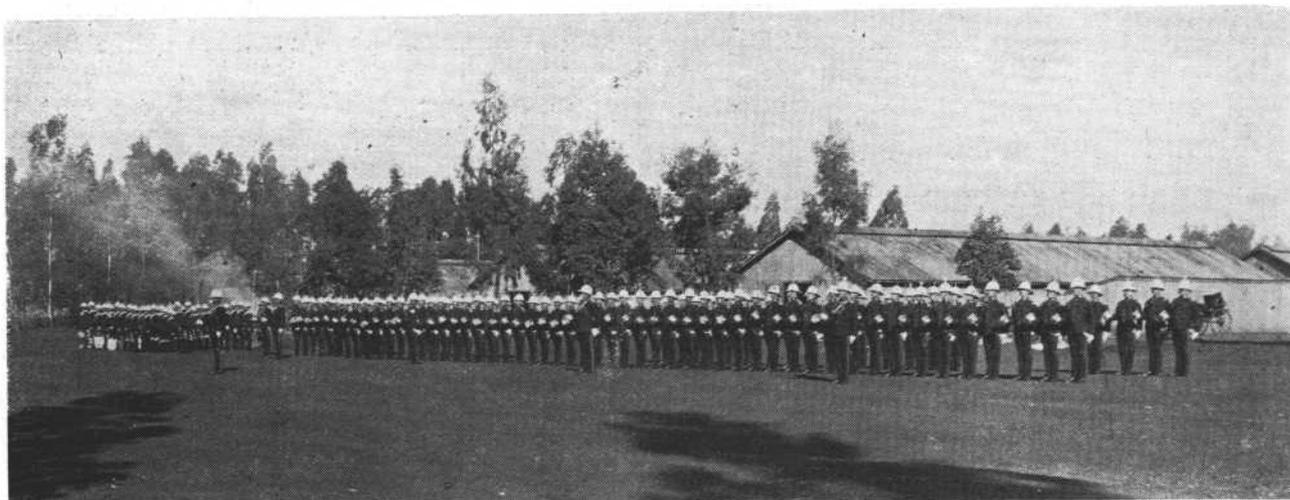
On the same day Capt. Fielden left for England, where he will tie the 'nuptial knot.'

The annual Regimental Dinner was held at the Hotel Metrôpole, on May 28th, Major-Gen. Viscount Downe, K.C.V.O., C.B., C.I.E., presiding. Those present were:—Major-Generals Sir J. P. Brabazon, K.C.B., C.V.O., Combe, C.B.; Colonels Alexander, D.S.O., Baird, Fisher-Childe, C.B., Hon. J. Napier, St. Quintin, Spottiswood, Viscount Valentia, C.B., M.V.O., M.P., Vaughan, D.S.O., Wilson, D.S.O.; Majors Barry, D.S.O., Lord Bellew, Hon. W. G. Cadogan, M.V.O., Crichton, Viscount Hampden, Hughes-Onslow, Sir J. Milbanke, V.C., Pillinger, Poole, Waite, Sir M. Wilson, Bart., C.S.I., M.P.; Captains de Tuyll, Gibbs, Greenwood, Hon. G. Portman, Lord G. Scott,

very few were fit enough to show what a really good game it is, but all managed to enjoy it in spite of this. The combined teams dined together in the Royals' Mess, had a very cheery evening to the strains of *Floreat Etona*, and many a libation to *Bacchus*.

Now that the various parties of *Casuals* have finished firing their Annual Course, we are able to give a summary of the results:—

	No. of Men Exercised.	Marksmen.	1st Class Shots.	2nd Class Shots.	3rd Class Shots.
'A' Squadron	148	19	75	52	2
'B' Squadron	142	29	87	26	0
'C' Squadron	171	39	89	43	0
'R' Troop	94	18	49	26	1
X.R.H.	555	105	300	147	3



'C' Squadron on Church Parade.

Grenfell, Earl of Gainsborough, Earl of Mayo, Lord Southampton, Sir W. Bass, Bart., Hon. D. Pelham; Messrs. Dorrien-Smith, Chaplin, Bouch and Potter.

The following cablegram was received by the Regiment on the morning of the 29th:—

"Tenth Hussars, Potchefstroom,

Drinking your health, wish you home this year.  
Regimental Dinner."

The Old Etonian Officers of the Regiment celebrated the 4th of June by playing a game of Eton Football with the O. E. Officers of the Royals. In the first half the Royals scored a rouge which they were unable to force. This was the only score throughout the game. Unfortunately the ground was rather small with the result that it was difficult to keep the ball in. Naturally

Lc/Cpl. Mason attained the best score (158) and Sergt. Long is also to be congratulated on securing 44 out of 45 in the rapid practice. The Shooting badges are awarded as follows:—

Best Shot 'A' Squadron Lc/Cpl. Mason (158).

" " 'B' " Sergt. Long (154).

" " 'C' " Pte. Porter (155).

" " Sergeants Sergt. Long.

" " Cpls. and Ptes. Lce/Cpl. Mason.

'C'2 are to be congratulated on winning Sir Basil Brooke's Cup for the Troop securing highest score throughout the Course.

We have again done well this year in the shooting for the Empire and Schumacher Cups. Our score was 2308, which places us 1st on the Cavalry list and 11th on the open list. Rawal Pindi is again well to the fore, our old comrades the 4th

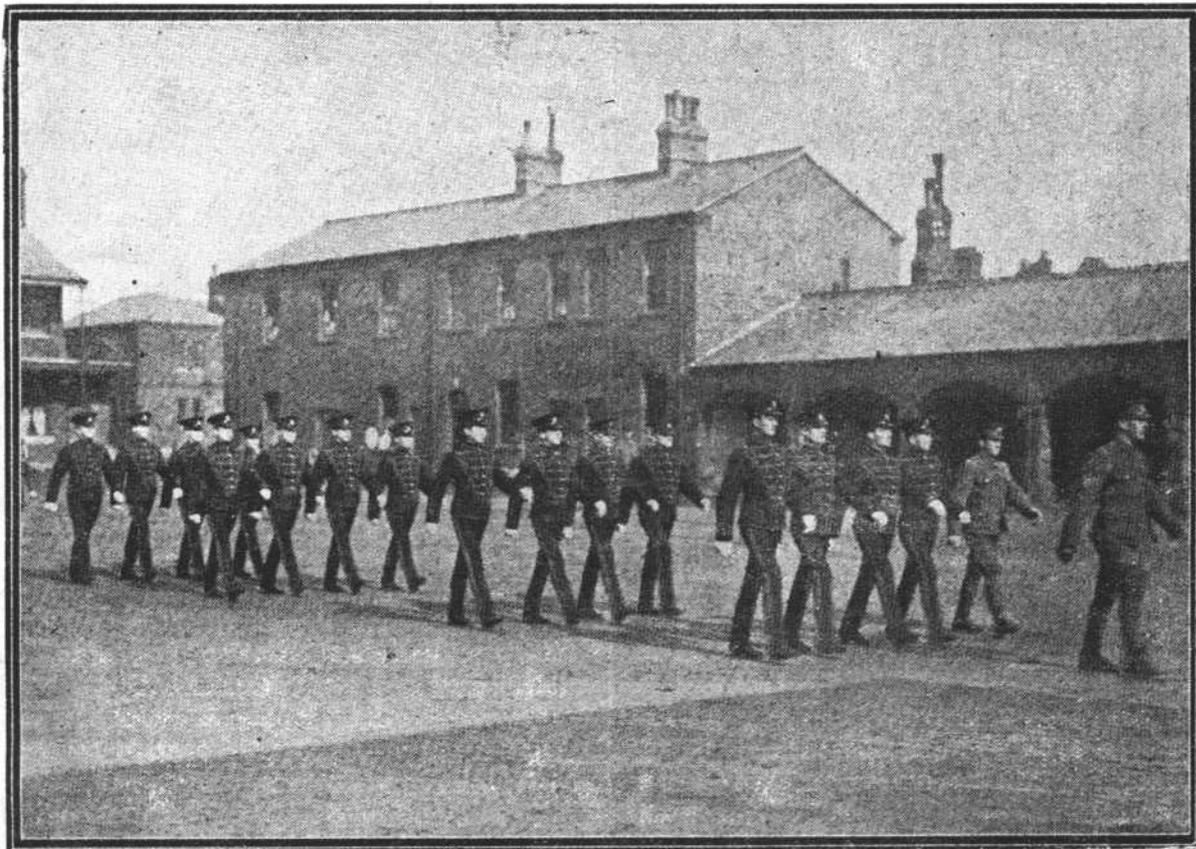
Batt. K.R.R., (with a score of 2740) being 2nd and the 84th Punjabis 6th. The Inniskilling Dragoons (with 2,200) secured 2nd and 17th places respectively on the Cavalry and open lists.

On 21st June a team of 20 shot against the Witwatersrand Rifles for a £20 prize, presented by Lt. Col. R. W. Schumacher.

The conditions were the same as for the "Empire Cup," and the match took place on the Booyens Ranges, Johannesburg. We were defeated by 92 points, but S.S.M. Brisley topped the scores

On 16th June the Royals held their Regimental Sports, which, as usual, were a great success. There were two open events Tent Pegging (1 run lance, 1 run sword) and a V.C. Race. The Tent Pegging on the whole was not up to form, with a few exceptions, and was won by Sergt. Keeley.

Throughout the week there was a Polo Tournament for the Potchefstroom Challenge Cup. We entered 3 teams—'A' Col. Barnes, Major Mitford, Capt. Stewart and Lord Chesham. 'B' Major Shearman, Lord Airlie and Messrs. Turnor and Drake, 'C' Capt. Peto with Messrs. Gosling, Greenwood



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with 80, for which Col. Schumacher presented him with a prize. He also gave the team a 'second' prize of £10, besides entertaining them during their stay in Johannesburg.

The scores of the match were as follows:—

	150 yds.	200 yds.	400 yds.	300 yds.	Avg.	Total
Wit. Rifles	224	304	236	412	58.8	1176
10th R. Hussars	224	268	168	424	54.2	1084

Festivities were again this year the order for the week of June 18th, on which day the Royals received a wreath from their Colonel-in-Chief, the German Emperor, at the hands of the German Consul.

and Murland. The Royals entered 2 teams, the R.F.A. 1 and there was a Gymkhana team. It was played under handicap conditions.

In the first round the Royals 'A' Team beat our 'B' Team, the R.F.A. beat our 'A' Team and our 'C' Team beat the Royals' 'B' Team.

In the Semi-Final our 'C' Team beat the Royals' 'A' and in the Final beat the Gymkhana Team.

On the 20th a most successful Gymkhana was held. There were many comic events, the pig-sticking on mules being most amusing, at any rate from the mules and spectators points of view.

On the 16th evening the Royals gave an excellent concert and we gave one on the 19th. We publish an account of this in the Concert Notes. The

Sergeants of the Royals gave a *Quadrille Party* on the night of the 18th and the remaining nights were spent in dances at the club.

We have received the Annual Circular (No. 92) of the Corps of Commissionaires. It contains full particulars of this admirable institution—regulations for admission, entrance fees and monthly payments, lodging and clothing regulations, parades and roll call, sick fund, benefits, etc.

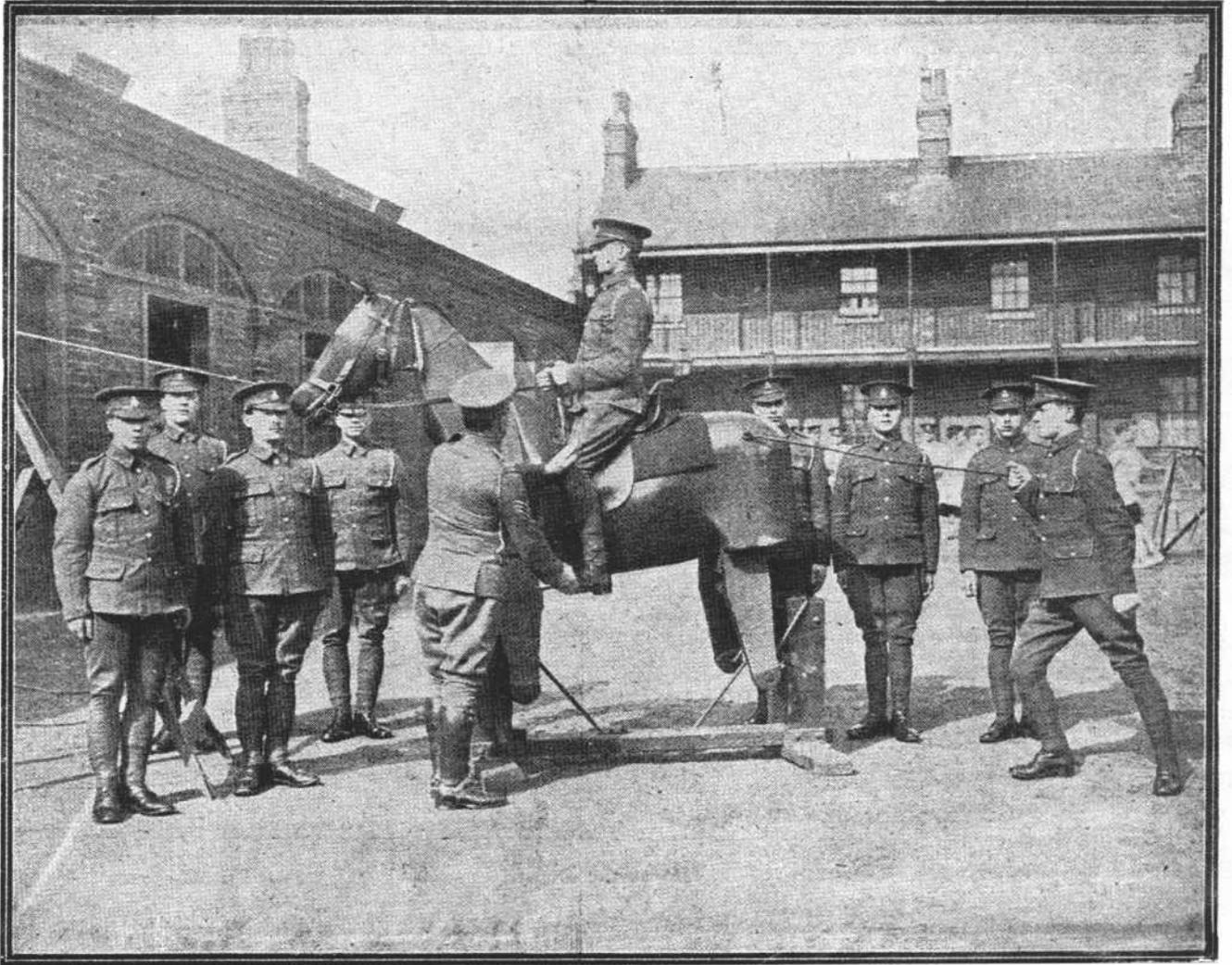
McKenzie, Secretary, X.R.H. Aid Society, has full particulars.

It is to the advantage of men wishing this kind of employment to learn to drive both a single and a pair.

The receipt of the following subscriptions is acknowledged with thanks:—

*To January 1915:* Bell, Mr. R.

*To July 1914:* Gordon-Canning, F. Esq.; Hill,



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To those who will be taking their discharge during the next trooping season, the advantages of the Corps are well worth their consideration. The Circular may be seen at the Orderley Room.

In a letter to Lord Downe, re the employment of ex-Tenth Hussars, from Mr. W. K. Hunt (15 Stormont Rd., Clapham Common, S.W.), the latter states that he is in close touch with Messrs. Taylor & Sons, large Cartage Contractors, and they will apply to him when they require "Drivers." Mrs.

Sergt.-Major F.; Waite, Major A. W.

*To July 1915:* Williams, The Hon. Mrs. C.; Lewis, Mr. B.; Chaplin, H. P. Esq.

*To January 1916:* Payne, Staff Sergt. J.

Copies of the following contemporaries are acknowledged with thanks:—

*The Eagle. The Enniskilliner. The 11th Hussars Gazette. The Vedette. The White Lancer.*

**REPORT OF THE  
ANNUAL GATHERING AND DINNER**

of

TENTH (P.W.O.) ROYAL HUSSARS OLD  
COMRADES' ASSOCIATION

held at

HOLBORN RESTAURANT,

Tuesday, May 26th, 1914.

The Fifth Annual Dinner of the Tenth (P.W.O.) Royal Hussars Old Comrades Association was held at the Holborn Restaurant on May 26th last and as usual was a huge success. Colonel Viscount Valentia, C.B., M.V.O., M.P., presided over a gathering of nearly 200 Old Comrades and was supported by Major-General Viscount Downe, K.C.V.O., C.B., C.I.E., Colonel H. Alexander, Colonel R. Fisher-Childe, Major A. Hughes Onslow, Major The Hon. W. G. Cadogan, T. A. Dorrien Smith Esq., Captain C. Potter, Captain W. Gibbs, Major A. E. Poole, Major A. Waite, Major R. Pillinger, Major S. L. Barry Major C. W. H. Crichton, and Colonel T. St. Quintin.

The following officers expressed regret at their inability to be present, and wished all the Old Comrades a "Merry and Bright" evening:—Major-General Lord R. Kerr, the Earl of Gainsborough, Captain the Hon. H. T. Alsopp, Colonel Spottiswoode, Captain Beatty, Colonel Parry Okeden, Colonel Chaine, Colonel Barnes, Major-General H. S. Gough, the Earl of Shaftesbury, Captain Sir Frank Rose, Captain C. Greenwood, Captain C. Salkeld, Sir Arthur Lawley, A. Farquharson of Invercauld, Lord Southampton, C. R. Molyneux Esq., Major Carr (wired from Khartoum) Colonel Wilson (R.H.), Colonel J. Vaughan, Colonel E. W. Baird, Captain the Hon. A. Annesley, the Viscount Hampden, Major the Hon. J. Dawnay, and T. Bouch Esq. Their wish was gratified!

A Most enjoyable dinner was followed by a few speeches and the proceedings concluded with a smoking concert. All present voted the gathering the most successful ever held and well worthy of the traditions of so famous a regiment as the Tenth Royal Hussars.

The first Toast was that of His Majesty the King, Colonel in Chief, and was proposed by the Chairman, who said:—

The first Toast I have to submit is naturally the King, one I am quite sure every Tenth Hussar would be delighted to honour in any circumstances, but it has special charm inasmuch as the King is Colonel in Chief of the Regiment and so we honour him the more readily, and I shall not increase the

cordiality with which you drink by any words of mine.

The following telegram has been sent to H.M. the King from the Association:—

"The members of the Old Comrades Association Tenth Royal Hussars assembled Holborn Restaurant for their Annual Gathering present loyal and respectful greetings to His Majesty the King their Colonel in Chief.

(Signed) DOWNE, President."

His Majesty graciously replied:—

*The President, Tenth Hussars, Old  
Comrades Association, Holborn  
Restaurant.*

"I have received with much pleasure the message contained in your telegram. Will you convey my thanks to all members of the Old Comrades Association assembled for their good wishes and loyal assurance.

GEORGE R.I., Colonel-in-Chief."

(Loud Cheers).

Old Comrades I give you the health of the King, long life to him, and may Breakspear be in a good temper and win the Derby for him. (Loud cheers).

The National Anthem was sung by Mr. Wilfred Essex the whole company repeating it and giving three rousing cheers.

Colonel Viscount Valentia also proposed the second Toast on the list the Queen, Queen Alexandra, The Prince of Wales and the other Members of the Royal Family.

He said:—

I am quite sure I am right in saying that the two Queens reign in the hearts of the Tenth Royal Hussars as they do in all subjects of His Majesty (hear, hear), and I think I may say of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales that he is the member of the Royal Family that is looked upon with the greatest interest by the Tenth Hussars past and present. We hope to see the day when His Royal Highness will be of the Regiment. As you know he is at present at Oxford going through his so many terms as an Undergraduate and I can assure you is training very well, and under the admirable tuition of Major Cadogan he is learning to play polo and enjoys the game. This I think will make him a Tenth Hussar acceptable both to officers and men of the Regiment, as I think this taste is a particular characteristic of the Regiment. He is also, I believe, faithfully attending to his studies and determined to take a public part, as he will probably have to do much more as he grows older, and does now with peculiar grace at this moment. He is always ready to take part in helping charitable institutions and

to do anything for the good of his Father's subjects, which is characteristic of all the members of the Royal Family.

I give you the toast of the Queen, Queen Alexandra, the Prince of Wales and the other Members of the Royal Family.

The "Comrades" received this toast with cheers, all singing "God save our gracious Queen," and "God Bless the Prince of Wales."

Mr. F. W. Miller, the Secretary, then gave his Report:—

My Lords and Gentlemen,

With your kind indulgence I have pleasure in presenting to you the Fifth Annual Report of the Association. There being no material changes during the past year it will not be necessary to detain you at any length, my report being a brief one.

I am very pleased to say that our membership is over 1,000 strong. This is about the same strength as last year. I am in close touch with all these members. In addition we have the names of over 200 old Comrades whom I have not included in the strength as I am not in direct touch with them, they not having notified changes of address. Their names are still kept on our Roll as we often pick them up again through our notices appearing in the Press and by other old Comrades who meet them and kindly send me their new addresses. I have sent out notices to all members and I am glad to say that there have not been so many returned to me this year through the post marked "Gone away—no address." I would ask you all to still bear in mind the importance of notifying your Secretary of any change of address, and I am pleased to receive information concerning Old Comrades at any time. Several new members have been added to our Roll since our last Gathering, these mostly having recently left the Regiment, and I am pleased to say that some of them are with us this evening. We extend to them a hearty welcome. (Cheers).

I have received a number of interesting letters from Old Comrades in all parts regretting their inability to be present with us to-night,—some owing to distance and expense, others I am sorry to say, through illness and infirmity. I am very glad to report that all are unanimous in wishing the Gathering every success, and that the Association may still continue to flourish. Most of them express the hope that they may one year be able to shake hands and greet their old comrades once again. You will have noticed the names posted up of all those that have written me, and no doubt in going through the list some of these names have stirred up old memories of some good old times you have spent together. You will be pleased to know that through the kindness of your Committee and certain other Old Comrades we have been able to

invite a few here to-night who otherwise would not have been present.

I am glad to report that Tom Jukes, late Sergt. Major, has recently been fortunate in securing an appointment as Foreman Overseer on the Nigerian Railway at Lagos. He informs me that his salary is a good one. We all wish him good health and every success. (Cheers).

Another item of interest you will be pleased to know is the receiving of the medal for Meritorious Service by our old comrade Mr. J. W. Templeman, late Trumpet Major. I am sorry to say he is unable to be present this evening. We wish him long life to enjoy the honour conferred upon him. (Cheers).

I have a letter here I must read to you received from Mr. A. Claridge, late 4348, C. Squadron.

Park Avenue,  
North Rockhampton,  
Australia.

Queensland, April 10th, 1914.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

Although in a far off land my heart is with you to-night and may there be a great roll up of the grand old "Tenth." I wish every one of you the very best of luck and may I be spared to come home and be present at one of our annual dinners, which bring old comrades and old times back once again. I was glad to see that Sir Matthew Wilson won his seat. Good old Sweater! (laughter) I know the boys will congratulate him.

Yours faithfully,  
Pte. A. G. CLARIDGE.

And here is a letter I have received from Mr. Tom Broadly, No. 170 C.

Southport, Lancs.

Honoured Sir,

Your kind invitation to the Old Comrades Association; but means will not allow me to accept it. But give my sincere respects to all that have served in the Regiment, though at the gathering there will be no one that will know me, for I left the Regiment in March 1865. I can only see one name that was in the Regiment with me, Viscount Valentia, he joined 1864, but you can see at any time in St. Paul's Cathedral four of the old corps. (Crimean Cavalry Memorial).

Yours truly,  
TOM BROADLEY,

the last of the slung jackets (laughter).

I am sorry to report that I have received letters from Mrs. Chaine (wife of Colonel Chaine) and Mrs. Allsopp (wife of Captain The Hon. H. T.

Allsopp) informing me of the serious illness of these two officers. I am sure this is deeply regretted by all. I have written letters of sympathy on behalf of the Association to both ladies with an earnest wish for a speedy recovery in each case.

With your permission I will read a letter received from the Secretary of the Veterans Club :

Veterans' Club,  
47, Bedford Row, W.C.  
May 14th, 1914.

Dear Sir,

We understand the 10th Royal Hussars Old Comrades Association are holding their annual dinner at the Holborn Restaurant on Tuesday, May 26th, and the Chairman and Committee of the Veterans' Club have pleasure in inviting all the members of your Association to consider themselves honorary members of the Club from the 25th May until June 5th.

In order that there may be no difficulty in obtaining admission, I would suggest that tickets of membership of your Association, or dinner tickets, should be shown at the entrance of the Club.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) GEOFFREY E. LEGGETT,  
Secretary.

(Applause).

I have written a letter thanking the Chairman and Committee for their kindness, and I hope some of you will be able to avail yourselves of this hearty welcome extended to you all.

It is with sad regret I report the following deaths that have been brought to my notice since our last annual Gathering:—Mr. Biggs, who served with the Regiment in Afghanistan; Mr. Wheeler, one time Farrier Major; Mr. H. Whittington, and Mr. Haggatt, late Corporal who served with the Regiment in South Africa.

For the benefit of those Old Comrades who are not subscribers to the Regimental Gazette, I would inform you that this journal is published quarterly at 6/- per annum, and contains an account of all doings of interest of soldiering and sport in the Regiment. The Editor is pleased to hear at any time from Old Comrades matters of interest relating to themselves or the Regiment. All Old Comrades desirous of keeping in close touch with the doings of the Regiment should send along their subscription to the Editor who is with the Regiment. A full account of this Gathering will be published in the next quarter's issue.

Another matter of importance I wish to mention, that is concerning the proposals and suggestions you have set out before you regarding the Association. I will not detain you now in going through

the various items, but I want you to take the papers away with you and at some future date, which will be notified, a general meeting will be called when the suggestions and proposals will be fully discussed. (See p. 132.)

In conclusion, My Lords and Gentlemen, I beg to thank you for your patient hearing in listening to the foregoing details I have placed before you. I take this opportunity of thanking all subscribers for their continued support and kindly assistance that has been given me at all times in the interest of our Association. We well know that without the kindness of our officers and other old Comrades who help us we would not be able to continue these pleasant and happy Gatherings. I would also tender my warmest thanks to the Committee for their kind and valuable assistance to me at all times, and for the confidence placed in me. I am sure we all feel gratified at the attendance here this evening. I trust our efforts have helped to make this Gathering a happy and successful one. Our thanks are also due to the Press for their kindness in helping us by giving announcements of our Gathering in their various papers. A full report of this dinner will be published in the "Military Mail" of June 5th. In bringing my report to a close before sitting down allow me to tender my very best wishes to you all and I earnestly hope we may meet again next year in great strength. Good luck to you all. (Applause).

Colonel Viscount Valentia, C.B., M.V.O., M.P., then rose to propose the Toast of: The Colonel, Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of the Regiment.

He said:—

I have received several letters and telegrams, some of them conveying kindly messages to the Association, others expressing regret that they are unable to be present this evening. I will not read them all but there is one from the 14th Hussars:

"The 14th Hussars Old Comrades wish you very successful re-union."

The next is from the 18th Hussars:

"All ranks of the 18th wish you and all Old Comrades of Tenth an enjoyable evening."

The 21st Lancers:

"Wish Tenth Hussars a Happy evening."

"Jolly Good Luck"—Sergeants Mess, Potchefstroom." (Cheers).

and one from Egypt:

"Good Luck Old Comrades—Byng and Annesley." (Cheers).

"May all have pleasant evening. Wish I was with you.—Natty Palmer, Cambridge."

"Sorry cannot attend. On Military training. Kind remembrances to all Tenth.—Cox."

"Sorry to disappoint. Best wishes to all Old Comrades.—George Tristram."

"Very sorry impossible come. Best wishes to everyone and happy dinner.—H. P. Chaplin."

I now submit to you the Toast of the evening and that is, The Colonel, Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of the Regiment. I do not think there is a man who has served in the Tenth Hussars who was not a proud man on the day he took "the shilling." Fifty years ago I was gazetted a Cornet in the Tenth and it was the proudest day of my life. I do not think there is a man of the Regiment who does not look back to his service as an instructive and profitable time, and I am quite sure there is not a man who regrets having served in the Regiment, or doesn't regret the day he left. Owing to the formation of this Association, we Old Comrades of fifty years ago and more, have the opportunity of seeing each other, and are particularly glad to see some of those now serving in the Regiment dining with us.

With this Toast I have the pleasure of coupling the name of one, who though he began life in in another regiment, indentified himself so much with this regiment that he became more of a Tenth Hussar than any of us. I need not say that I refer to Lord Downe, and I am quite sure he was never more satisfied than when gazetted Colonel of the Regiment. (loud cheers).

I give you the health of the Colonel, Officers, non-Commissioned Officers, and Men of the Regiment.

This Toast was received with great enthusiasm and the singing of "For He's a jolly good Fellow."

On rising to respond, Major-General Viscount Downe was received with loud cheers.

Old Comrades, I cannot find words with which to thank you properly for the warm reception you have given to the toast which has been so kindly proposed by Lord Valentia. I can assure you nobody can feel the honour of having to return thanks for the Regiment more than I do. Of course, I was a proud man when I was gazetted to the Tenth Hussars, I was prouder still when I commanded the Tenth, and I suffered the agonies which most of you face when you sever your connection with the Regiment. Therefore, you can guess the pride with which I received the message from the King to be your full Colonel. Now for the Regiment itself. I can only tell you that I have seen reports from most of the Generals who have inspected them since they have been in India, and one from a General who was leaving South Africa, and he said he had never seen any Regiment which combined so many good qualities as soldiers and sportsmen. I think one of the highest tributes I have heard of the Regiment was last July when the Regiment turned out in Johannesburg. They were stoned, hooted,

fired on, and the Regiment never fired a shot, and yet by the moral effect of their presence with the Dragoons the disturbances were quelled. But after all you know what it is; the Regiment was always good and always will be the best Regiment in the world. (Loud Cheers).

It is a very good thing other Regiments say the same thing of themselves. (Laughter). Of course some men through ties of relationship have joined the Regiment because their father and brothers are in it, others for various reasons, but when they get into it they throw themselves heart and soul into the spirit of the Regiment, they work for the Regiment, for they know that their conduct will either bring honour or dishonour to the Regiment. As a rule it is honour.

I have discussed the question often with certain officers high in the Army who wish to do away with the whole regimental system of promotion. Now I am quite sure none of you believe in that. (no, no). You like to be promoted in your own Regiment (yes) I am quite sure the longer that system goes on the better it will be.

We have a very small Army, but I am thankful to say that what we have is good, and it would not be good for the present service if our system were changed. I hope very much before the next dinner that the Regiment will be home and that we shall then have many more of those serving in the Regiment present at the dinner. We shall want a much larger room. They will have to take down a few walls to get us all in that night. I think you may remember that last year I told you of the probability of the Prince of Wales joining the Regiment. The Prince is very fond of Polo and hunting, and Major Cadogan has bought some of the best horses in the country for him. I am sure you will all be pleased when you can welcome him here as one of our Officers. There cannot be a better education for our future King than to serve in the Tenth Hussars.

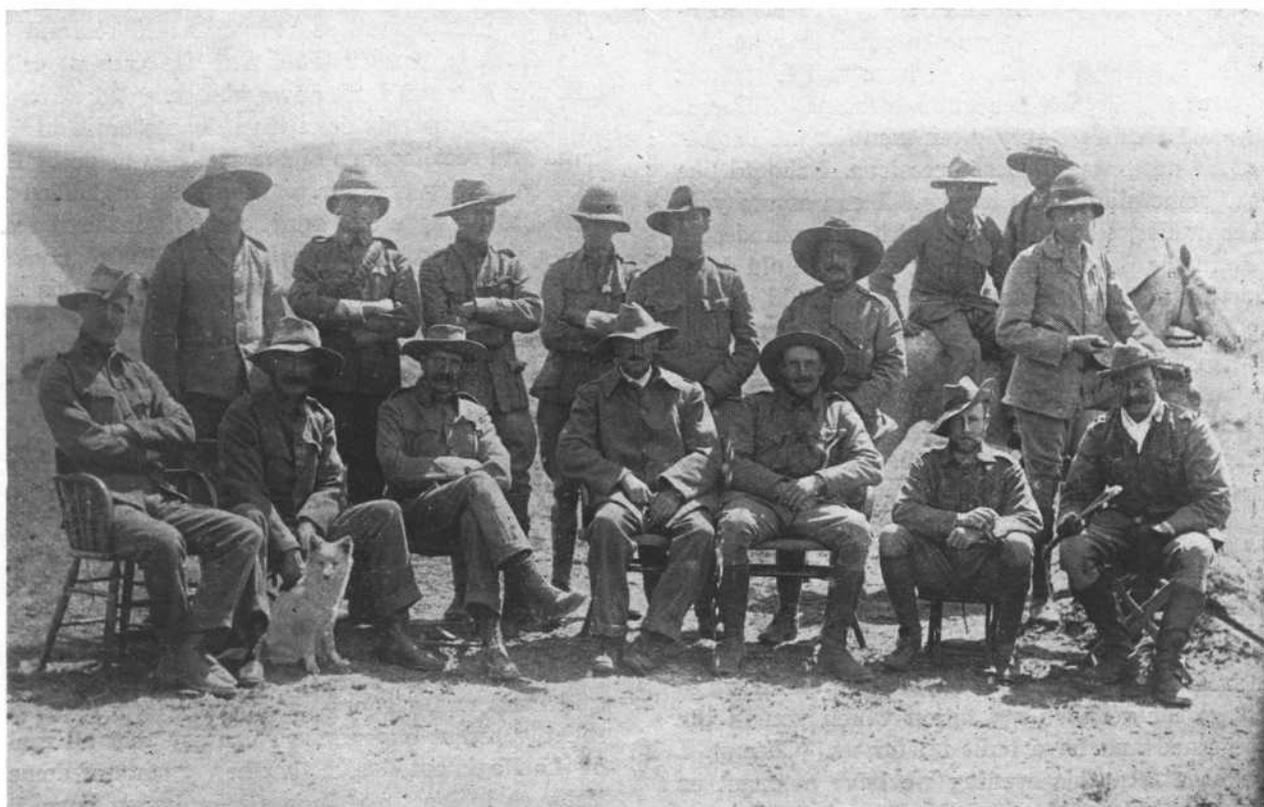
Major Crichton has lately come to command the Depot. As the Depot is only a few miles from my home in Yorkshire I can keep my eye on him. (Laughter). Many of you would be astonished to find what trouble was taken now to make the recruit's life a comfortable one. Old-time soldiers drilled, rode a horse, and God knows what; now they are taken to the Depot and are fed, they have a little physical drill and ride a wooden horse to start with and do not ride a real horse until they have mastered the wooden one. But all the same they turn out excellent soldiers. Anyhow, I promise you that I will look after the Depot. (Laughter).

Well now before I sit down, there is one thing I wish to speak about. — The Tenth Hussars Old

Comrades Association. I don't know who started the idea, but who ever did it, was inspired with extraordinary good sense. After all, in the old days men left the Regiment and it was a chance if they ever met again. We shall probably have 370 dining here next year, and we shall go on growing, as it is exceedingly pleasant to meet in the same place. I look forward to it from year to year and hope I shall be spared for many years. (Loud cheers).

I do not think it is necessary to tell you much about the doings of the Regiment as you have the "Gazette," which under the auspices of Major Pilling, is one of the most useful publications I know.

to help the men when they first come home to England. We have on our Committee, Directors of the South Eastern, South Western and the North Western Railways, and these big railways are, as you know, very large employers of labour. We are also in touch with employers of labour all over the country and hope to find employment for everybody who deserves it. We have assisted a good number of people who wanted it. We have got some non-commissioned officers on the Committee whom we cannot thank enough, for the amount of trouble they take is wonderful, and we are most obliged to all of them. (Cheers). Before I sit



Names reading from left to right: Top Row: Lieuts. Cave, Salkeld, Mitford, Meade, Lord Howard de Walden, Major Phipps R.A.M.C., Lieut. J. Lister (and on pony) Molyneux and Capt. Dawnay. Front Row: Capt. Carr A.V.C., Major Kavanagh, (Pom-pom), Major Alexander, Col. Fisher, Capts. Lord W. Bentinck, Bowes Lyon and Major L. Barry.

It is published once every quarter and you are able to see all about the Regiment. All who see it will appreciate it very much and will thank Major Pilling for starting it. Well, now for our Association. That, you know, has not run for many years. Some Regiments have the start of us, but I know exactly what is going on. We have Committee meetings, and we have got a most excellent Lady Secretary who takes enormous pains, and I think it will be of still greater use every year. Not only have we a certain amount of money which I am glad to say is increasing, with which we can help men who really and truly need it and also help their families, but we chiefly have it as an Employment Bureau

down, I must say a word of thanks to our Secretary, Mr. Miller. The Committee meet regularly and they are kind enough to send me a copy of the proceedings. I must say that the way their work is done is admirable. Everything is managed in a businesslike way, and Mr. Miller has proved a tower of strength, and it is in a large measure due to our Committee and to him that our gathering to-night is such a success. We are going to have music after this. I could talk to you for another hour. I can only thank you on behalf of the Regiment for the kind way in which you have drunk their health

(Loud Cheers).

Major C. W. H. Crichton in proposing "The Old Tenth" said :—

I deeply regret the circumstances that have made it necessary for me to make this speech to-night. I mean to say that a fortnight ago Colonel Barnes was in this country and it would have been pleasant if he had been here to-night and hear from him all about the doings of the Regiment. It is not my wish to detail the doings of the Regiment myself for everyone here has had the opportunity of getting information from the "Gazette" in the same way as I have, but I want to wish "Good cheer" on behalf of the Regiment to our Old Comrades. I am sorry I have only been once in my life before to this gathering, but I hope in future I may be able to make up for this offence. I have had to make a few speeches in the Sergeants Mess at different times and I think I very often mention the subject of esprit de corps on these occasions. I should like to say something about it now. I can assure you, old comrades, that the same spirit of comradeship exists in the Regiment as strong as in the old days. I do think it is important that this should go on. One can see it every day with the Regiment. I mean even in the way people of all ranks address one another and give instructions and orders. I have always thought that we as a Regiment had that spirit a great deal more than anyone else or any other Regiment, and the more I come across other Regiments the more certain I am of it. Well, we hope that before very long the Regiment really will be home and also that there will be an opportunity for you Old Tenth to come and see for yourselves that the Regiment is much the same as the Tenth Hussars was in your days, and we still try to keep up the glorious reputation which you in the past gained and have built up for us. (Cheers). I have been told this evening we have amongst us three very old members of the Regiment—Bristow (No. 1685), Crane (No. 1778) and Willoughby (No. 1655) which take us back a very long way. (Loud Cheers). I hope before long they will have an opportunity of seeing their old Regiment again. There are some few of us serving in the Tenth here at the present time, but I can assure you all, that the whole Regiment in a little place called Potchefstroom is probably at this very moment cheering to the memory of their old comrades. In proposing this toast I have to couple the name of a very dear friend of a great many of us in the Regiment, one who we have heard make speeches in more than one language on a good many occasions (laughter), and we hope to hear him again—Major Pillinger. I ask you to rise and drink to the health of our Old Comrades of the Tenth Royal Hussars. (Cheers).

Major Pillinger was called upon to reply to this Toast and made a very breezy speech recalling several amusing anecdotes relating to old members of the Tenth, the one about Lance Corporal Lee ("Bully") being greatly enjoyed. The following are the main points of his speech.

On behalf of all old colleagues, not only those present tonight, but all those who were unable to attend, I thank very heartily Major Crichton for the kind terms in which he has proposed our health and you the serving members of the Tenth Hussars who by your warm reception have displayed your approval of those terms.

When our Secretary informed me that it was the wish of the Committee that I should respond to this Toast I must confess I felt the greatest pride and pleasure and I sat down and accepted at once. No sooner was this done than doubts arose in my mind and recollections of the speeches made by Sir Arthur Lawley and Mr. Walker who responded to the Toast in 1912 and 1913, and this inspired very grave doubts as to the wisdom of their choice. (Laughter). Sir Arthur Lawley prefaced his remarks by saying that on looking round he saw a number of distinguished old representatives of the Regiment present and he could not help feeling they should have responded to the toast, and I see before me now many worthy and gallant old comrades. I am dismayed : (laughter). It leaves me cold (laughter) but as it is the Committee's choice — on their heads be it.

We do not confine our Association to any rank. We stand together on a proper plane as old Comrades of the Regiment in which in our proudest day we have all served. As Mr. Walker has so often said Ours was a happy Home, and from a comparatively recent experience I can say that all ranks of the Regiment live in that happy state of domesticity as in his time. It is a very happy home indeed.

I am sure it is a matter of rejoicing that our Association affords us an opportunity of meeting once a year and sharing our experiences in good times and evil times. To renew the friendships formed in those days when we were still Tenth Hussars and to aver again and again our loyalty to our Regiment, and we Old Comrades still have a warm feeling for those serving in the Regiment now and they return the same for us.

The past doings of the Regiment are still proudly recounted. That team which won the Cavalry Football Cup in the last year the Regiment was at home. Stories are often repeated of the performances of officers, and again in the forge you hear of the doings of Doggie Barton. The Regiment still lives in a sort of reflected glory in the presence of mind of Trooper Hayes, and the plucky endurance of Hap-

py Walker on that cold winter's morning in the Transvaal which changed his position at once from a Tenth Hussar to an Old Comrade.

I have no doubt that it has occurred to many here that next year will be the most important one in our history. Not only will the Regiment have the opportunity of being present at the Annual Gathering, but it is also our bi-centenary. On the 23rd July 1715 as you are all aware, the Regiment was raised by Royal Warrant as the Tenth Dragoons. As the Tenth it has lived ever since, and although some regiments are given seniority in the Army, there are few which can boast of an unbroken history like ours.

May I suggest that next year we make a big effort to collect as many Old Comrades as we possibly can to meet the Regiment here. Many of us can afford a little to forward this project, and if it is considered possible I for my part will be glad to defray the expenses of five Old Comrades whom the Committee may select. (Loud cheers). I don't know whether it has been done, but I think judging by the generous treatment to soldiers in the past, if the Railway Companies were approached by the Association they might be induced to let soldiers attending the dinner travel with the same privilege given to serving soldiers. I think it is worth trying.

May I say a word of the progress of the Employment Bureau and the magnificent results already manifested from the excellent work of our Lady Secretary. I ask you to impress upon all Old Comrades who have been, or who may be placed by the Bureau, that they now have it in their power to render a very great service to those soldiers who will be coming after. They have a very great responsibility. By the way they discharge their duties they will let their Employers know that when it was said that a man was a Tenth Hussar it was synonymous to say that he was to be relied upon and would serve his employer with all his might.

I apologise to you for keeping you so long. I am glad when I am surrounded with so many old friends, and it induces the hope that I may have the opportunity of attending here many more times. (Applause).

Mr. C. Boyd proposing the Toast of the Chairman said:—

My Lords and Gentleman,—I have been selected to propose this Toast, the most important one of the evening, The Chairman, Lord Valentia. I was chosen by the Committee for two reasons. The first was being the oldest soldier on the Committee and my powers as an orator being very limited, and the second was that I was the only member of the Committee who had served with Lord Valentia in the Regiment. It is now nearly forty years since I joined

the Regiment at Hounslow and although many changes have taken place since then and a long time elapsed, I am quite sure you have not forgotten us in any good turn you could do us. I was with the Regiment when they went out to India in 1873, and much regret was felt at your not being with us. In India we tried to do the best we could. While there, some interesting events took place. Queen Victoria was crowned Empress of India, our late King Edward VII came out and visited us; and the Afghan war broke out. I am pleased to read that the Regiment is doing well. I believe they are nearly as well as when we were in it. (Laughter). There is a great difference in the way the men are looked after now when they leave the Regiment. I left myself with all I could get with testimonials from all the officers, and I went to a merchant prince in the City for employment, but he would not look at one of them but told me to get a character from the man who was my employer before I joined the Army — 14 years before. (Laughter). Payment for unskilled labour is very bad in these days. There is only one place where they pay well for this sort of labour and that is the House of Commons. (Loud cheers and laughter). I mean the Labour Party, my Lord. (Laughter).

I am proud to mention the various officers who have sent their sons to follow in their footsteps to serve in the Regiment; Lord Valentia, The Earl of Airlie, Sir H. Crichton, Captain Greenwood, and many others. We are proud to see so many officers here to-night, and I am also pleased to see my old Captain, Colonel St. Quintin. I have this night met two men whom I have not seen or heard of for over thirty years, and thereby the benefit of the Association is proved.

Now, my Lord, I cannot say more and I ask all my Old Comrades to drink to the health of Lord Valentia.

Lord Valentia who was given a most hearty reception replied:—

My Friends,—Lord Downe was kind enough some time ago to suggest that I should take the chair this time. He seemed to think that we were beginning to get tired of him, but we never get tired of Lord Downe in any capacity, and I only regret that such a change has been made because I think the change cannot be for the better. It is a very great honour and pleasure to me to take the chair this evening. I am as much heart and soul in the Regiment as I was fifty years ago when I joined the Regiment. I have entered my son, and I hope, he is conducting himself with credit in the Regiment, and I can assure you that my interest in the Regiment will never die; nor will my interest in this Old Comrades Association which I look upon as the finest movement which has ever been started.

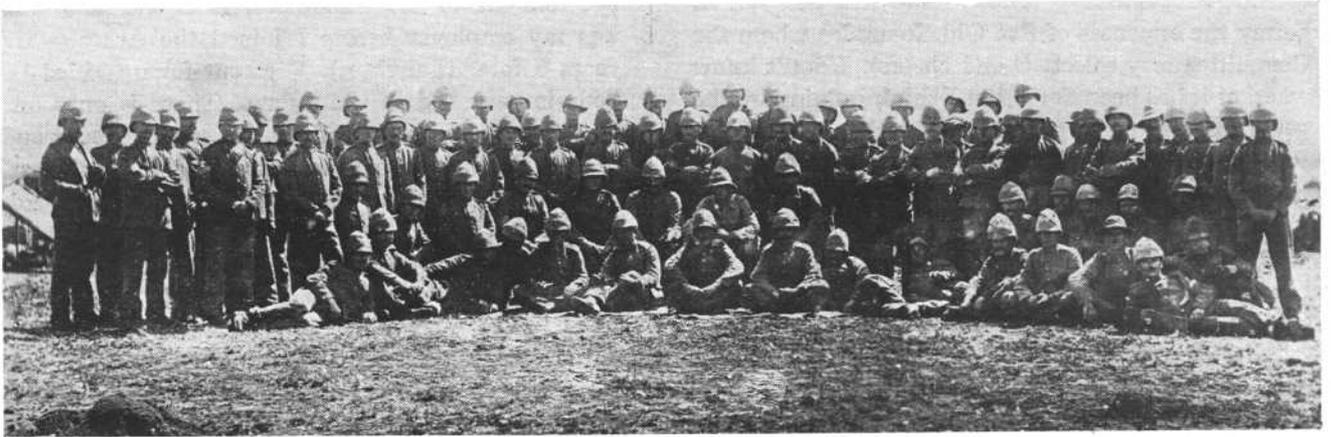
Mr. Boyd has referred to my service in the House of Commons and of the magnificent pay which I get there. I for one don't deserve it, and when it came before the House of Commons I voted against it as I always shall. I am quite prepared to serve my country for nothing and a great majority of the Members feel the same. It has deprived a great many of them of their independence and I for one cannot see any advantage gained by the magnificent salary. I must apologise to you for the way the Army has been treated in the House of Commons lately. They have said in the House what they would not have dared to say outside. The Army comes from the people, the Army belongs to the people. It is not the Army of the Parliament, it is the Army of the people. As I said on the platform the other night and I shall repeat it on every pos-

Accompanists :—Mr. Walter Phillips and Mrs. Dee.

Trooper John Willoughby (age 83) a Crimean Veteran recited "The Charge of the Light Brigade."

Towards the close of the evening Colonel R. Fisher-Childe, a late Colonel of the Regiment spoke. He was accorded a most enthusiastic greeting. His speech was as follows :—

Thank you Old Comrades for your greeting. I won't say much because you have had quite enough speeches. They tell us at my time of life that "thrills" have left us, but I am thrilled with pleasure at your greeting to-night. Time flies at a tremendous pace. It is more than thirteen years ago since I said goodbye to you and to this dear Regiment and one really feels so much this expression of devotion. There are some here to-night who were present when I said goodbye, and they will remem-



'A' Squadron during the South African War.

sible occasion, the Army knows no politics, but the soldier looks upon the politician with a certain amount of contempt which I am sure a number of us deserve. No orders during the present crises were disobeyed. The Army has always behaved as it should. I take the opportunity of saying this because I think the House of Commons owes an apology to the Army for the way it has been treated lately.

Now we are going to change from speech making, although I hope we have not been without harmony, to harmony pure and simple.

An excellent concert was given by the following Artists under the direction of Mr. Tom Goodman :

Mr. Whitworth Mytton.  
Mr. Wilfred Essex.  
Mr. Arthur Strike.  
Mr. Harry Thornton.  
Mr. George Blackmore.  
Mr. James Chilcot.  
Mr. William Dee.

mer the promise I gave, and I can assure you that any old Tenth Hussar that asks me, if I have the power to do so, I will help him (cheers). I always seem to be admiring the doings of some Tenth Hussar. The last one to stir up my enthusiasm and admiration was my old comrade, Major Sir Matthew Wilson when he turned out a member of this present Government and hoisted the Unionist flag in Bethnal Green (cheers). I notice that the same gentleman is still looking for a seat (laughter). Let us all hope that very much water will flow through the Thames bridges before he finds one. If any of you wish to do a really good turn to this old country and to this Empire to which we are privileged to belong, work and vote against this Government on every occasion. I am afraid I am getting too near the danger zone of politics so I will say good-night. Old Comrades Au revoir, God bless you all.

The "Comrades" gave their late Colonel three hearty cheers and "For he's a jolly good Fellow" resounded through the hall.

**Names of Old Comrades who attended Annual gathering, May 26th, 1914.**

Allcorn, C. W. (Sdler.)  
 Alderof, A. (Crpl.)  
 Anthony, J. W. (Pte.)  
 Allingham, G. (Pte.)  
 Ames (Pte.)  
 Byartt, W. (R.Q.M.S.)  
 Boyd, C. (Trtr.)  
 Brown, A. (Pte.)  
 Bagnall, T. (Pte.)  
 Berfert, G. W. (T.M.)  
 Barton, T. (S.S.F.)  
 Bennett, F. (S.S.M.)  
 Bell, R. (Sgt.)  
 Buss, P. (Crpl.)  
 Bridger, G. (Pte.)  
 Brown, T. D. (Bdsm.)  
 Bailey, A. (Pte.)  
 Brister (Pte.)  
 Bryth, J. (S.S.M.)  
 Brown, G. W. (Sgt.)  
 Braithwaite, W. (Sgt.)  
 Beard, (Cpl.)  
 Bagg, W. (T.S.M.)  
 Butterworth, L. (Pte.)  
 Button, F. W. (Pte.)  
 Blackwell (Pte.)  
 Baker, T. (Pte.)  
 Combridge, A. J. (Pte.)  
 Clarke, J. H. (Sgt.)  
 Crane, J. (Pte.)  
 Clarke, G. T. (Cpl.)  
 Crowley, P. (Pte.)  
 Cottingham, P. (Pte.)  
 Cardwell, R. (R.R.)  
 Chappell, S. W. (Pte.)  
 Creaton, C. A. (Pte.)  
 Carter, F. G. (Pte.)  
 Cox, E. (Cpl.)  
 Clarke, J. (Sgt.)  
 Cuthbert, H. (Sergt.)  
 Culley, W. (Pte.)  
 Craig, A. (Sgt.)  
 Cobbold, J. (L.-C.)  
 Cleaver, A. (Pte.)  
 Desborough, E. (Cpl.)  
 Dobin, R. (Pte.)  
 Dollar, T. R. (Pte.)  
 Deaham, B. (Pte.)  
 Evans, E. (Pte.)  
 Elsey, A. (Sgt.)  
 Fuller, E. (Pte.)  
 Fermor, R. (Cpl.)  
 Frim, G. (Pte.)  
 Gent, C. J. (Pte.)  
 Flitton, W. (Pte.)  
 Fry, T. (Pte.)  
 Fox, T. J. (Cpl.)  
 Fisher, J. W. (Pte.)  
 Fuller, G. (Pte.)  
 Gusterson, F. (Pte.)  
 Gerard, A. (S.S.M.)  
 Gordon, A. (R.S.M.)  
 Godfrey, W. (Pte.)  
 Godby, J. (Cpl.)  
 Gee, J. (Pte.)  
 Gould, J. H. (S.Q.M.S.)

Gardiner, W. (Pte.)  
 Garnish, (Pte.)  
 Hambleton, L. St. J. (R.S.M.)  
 Hopkins, J. C. (R.Q.M.S.)  
 Humphreys, W. (Sgt. F.)  
 Humphrey, A. (Bdsm.)  
 Huntley, H. B. (F. M.)  
 Hitchcock, W. (Pte.)  
 Hawkes, A. (Sgt.)  
 Halls, W. W. (R.S.M.)  
 Harrison.  
 Hutchins.  
 Hunt, W. R. (Sgt.)  
 Hartley, C. H.  
 Heron, E. (Pte.)  
 Holmes, W. (T.S.M.)  
 Hartley, H. J. (L.Cpl.)  
 Howell, (L.Cpl.)  
 Isaacs, S. (L.Cpl.)  
 Jordan, H. (Pte.)  
 Jackson, R. (S.S.)  
 Kelly, H. (Cpl.)  
 Kingstone, W. (L.Cpl.)  
 Keeling, L. (Cpl.)  
 Kirby, J. (Pte.)  
 Kent, W. E. (Tptr.)  
 Kennard, J. (Pte.)  
 Last, A. (Pte.)  
 Larkin, (Pte.)  
 Lightfoot, S. (Pte.)  
 Leonard, E. (Bdsm.)  
 Llewellyn, P. (Pte.)  
 Montgomery, J. A. (L.Cpl.)  
 Moles, T. S. (Pte.)  
 Moseley, T. S. (Sgt.)  
 Miller, F. W. (S.Q.M.S.)  
 Miller, R. L. (Pte.)  
 Moon, J. (L.Cpl.)  
 Muir, W. G. (Trooper.)  
 Moon, T. (Sgt. Sad.)  
 Newing, W. E. (Pte.)  
 Northcroft, H. (Pte.)  
 New, J. (Pte.)  
 Neighbour, W. (Pte.)  
 New, H. (Pte.)  
 O'Connell, A. (Sgt.)  
 Openshaw, J. (Pte.)  
 Power, D. la Poer. (Sgt.)  
 Powell, J. J. (T.S.M.)  
 Pigott.  
 Parrett, C. (Pte.)  
 Quinn, G. (Pte.)  
 Rawlinson, W. J. (Pte.)  
 Rolfe, C. (Cpl.)  
 Simpson, H. C. (Pte.)  
 Sparks, G. (Sgt.)  
 Seager, H. (Pte.)  
 Skillen, H. E. (Cpl.)  
 Simpson, W. J.  
 Stockall, W. (Sgt.)  
 Sanson, W. (Pte.)  
 Smith, P. (Pte.)  
 Simpson, W. J.  
 Thomas, F. (Pte.)  
 Willoughby, John (Trooper.)  
 Woodward, (Pte.)

Wade, Mr., (B.M.)  
 Walker, W. (Sgt.)  
 Wise, W. (Sgt.)  
 Ward, W. G. (S.M.)  
 Walsh, J. H.

Welby, W.  
 Webb, J. (Pte.)  
 White, A. (S.S.)  
 Seymour, F. (R.S.M.)  
 Moseley, E. H. (T.S.M.)

The following old Comrades have written expressing their regret at being unable to attend the dinner, but all are unanimous in tendering hearty good wishes for a happy and successful evening.

Allen, J. (Pte.)  
 Ames, A. (Pte.)  
 Ansty, W. (Pte.)  
 Barker, J. (Pte.)  
 Bainbridge, T. (Pte.)  
 Bates, W. (Sgt.)  
 Beaker, F. W. (L.-Cpl.)  
 Belding, J. W. (Pte.)  
 Bellingham, P. (Pte.)  
 Blake, J. C. (Pte.)  
 Bodill, W. (S.Q.M.S.)  
 Bower, F. (T.S.M.)  
 Bradney, J. (Pte.)  
 Broadley, T. (Cpl.)  
 Brown, W. (Sgt.)  
 Cater, A. G. (Pte.)  
 Causley, S. (Pte.)  
 Cockrell, W. A. (Pte.)  
 Dabbs, J. (Pte.)  
 Dalton, A. (Pte.)  
 Deeks, A. (Pte.)  
 Dixon, E. (S.Q.M.S.)  
 Ede, H.  
 Edwards, G. (Pte.)  
 Edwards, L. (Pte.)  
 Evans, A. H. (Sgt.)  
 Foote, C. W. (Pte.)  
 Foote, W. (Pte.)  
 Geering, A. (S.S.M.)  
 Gibbard, J. (Sgt.)  
 Gorringe (L.-Sgt.)  
 Green, T. (S.S.M.)  
 Green, S. (Pte.)  
 Gunn, H. (Pte.)  
 Habgood, E. (S.S.)  
 Hadaway, C. (L.-Cpl.)  
 Hake, S. (L.-Cpl.)  
 Harmer, W. (Sgt.)  
 Haylock, C. (Cpl. S.S.)  
 Hayter, F. (Sgt. Tptr.)  
 Hayter, A. C. (Sgt.)  
 Hill, R. W. (Pte.)

Hitchins, F. E. (S.S.M.)  
 Hoile, S. A. C. (Pte.)  
 Hollingsworth (Cpl.)  
 Jempson, S. S. (Cpl.)  
 Jordan, H. (Pte.)  
 Jukes, T. M. (S.S.M.)  
 Kenwright, F. (Pte.)  
 Macdonald (Pte.)  
 Martin, W. J. (Pte.)  
 Mayer, A. N. (Pte.)  
 Moore, J. (Pte.)  
 Nunney, T. (Pte.)  
 Ormerod, D. (Cpl. S.S.)  
 Palmer, M. (T.S.M.)  
 Parker, J. B.  
 Parkins, E. (Pte.)  
 Perkins, W. (Pte.)  
 Pierce (Pte.)  
 Pittaway, J. E. (Q.M. Hn. Lt.)  
 Platt, W. (Pte.)  
 Pointing, V. J. (Cpl.)  
 Reeves, C. (Pte.)  
 Richardson, H. (Pte.)  
 Rogers, J. W. (Pte.)  
 Rouse (Sgt.)  
 Russell, T. (Pte.)  
 Sagar, J. H. (Pte.)  
 Scott, T. A. (B.M.),  
 Sirett, J. (Pte.)  
 Standen, W. (Pte.)  
 Start, W. (Pte.)  
 Stiles, J. (Pte.)  
 Taylor, E. (Pte.)  
 Templeman, J. W. (T.M.)  
 Trenb, A. (Pte.)  
 Travers, E. (Pte.)  
 Vidal, J. (Bdsm.)  
 Watt, C. (Cpl.)  
 Whines, H. (Sgt.)  
 Wilson, A. L. (Sgt.)  
 Winterbottom, J. (Pte.)  
 Thwaites, P. (Riding Master)

**CONCERNING OLD COMRADES.**

We are very glad to hear that Major Waite has received an appointment, after being Riding-Master to the R.M.C. Sandhurst. He has now taken up the duties of District Remount Officer for South Nottinghamshire and South Derbyshire. We wish to express our congratulations to him.

Sergeant F. Hill sends his love to the old Regiment and states that he is at present acting R.S.M.

to the Punjab Light Horse, which has just finished a most successful Annual Camp. He sends us a cutting, too long for insertion, of the P.L.H. Sports, which appear to have been a great success — a fact which many of the Regiment who knew members of the P.L.H. will be glad to hear. The Pindi troop seems to have been well up in all the events.

We are pleased to hear from Mr. George Coles, late Lance-Corporal in 'D'3. In writing from 228 Tenth Street, Portland, Oregon, U.S.A., he says, "It is nearly three years since I read my last number of our 'quarterly'; so had lost touch with the old Regiment to a certain extent, but after devouring the number before me I feel as near to it as I did the day I left it ranks....."

"I would like to refer to the remarks of Mr. F. T. Scammell at the annual dinner, and can say from personal experience that he is right about the possibilities of Canada.

"We all love the 'Old Country', but when it comes to earning a living wage without a trade we know our chances are almost nil. I have travelled right across Canada from Halifax to Vancouver, and was in Ontario for 15 months.

"If a man goes out with the intention of getting on he will 'get there' — as the Canadians say — and it matters not which part of the dominions he decides to settle in. Of course there are the failures, but I don't think you would find any of the old 'Shiners' in that crowd.

"You may feel inclined to ask why I left Canada. Well, Sir, I thought of going down to Mexico to earn Glory (or loot) in the rebellion, but on arrival at Portland I found the prospects so good that I decided to stay. I have been here 8 months now and hold a fairly responsible position with one of the big Railway Companies of the West. There is quite a British Colony here — English, Scotch, Irish and Welsh — all holding positions of trust in this Pacific sea port. My only regret is that I am not under the Old Flag, but should occasion arise I would return to the Colours *ek dum*....."

"This number of the *Gazette* took 7 weeks to reach me: so I conclude I am about as far away from the Regiment at the present time as it is possible to be on this planet.

"I would like to know the address of any Old Comrades who are in this part of America, or of any who may be coming this way and to whom I could be of assistance in securing employment."

Some time ago Mr. Fownes, late R.R.S.M., wrote us a very interesting letter. We were right glad to hear how well he is doing at Lucknow. He took over the Race Office with a large debt which he converted into a substantial credit at the end of the season.

The Lucknow Race Committee have good reason to deem themselves lucky to have secured him. Everyone will be glad to know that he, Mrs. Fownes and their children were well. We all trust that they will long remain so.

We hear from ex-Private J. Scott (late 'C' Squadron) that he is doing well. He is employed on the Premier Mines; another ex-member of the Regiment has also employment there — ex-Private White.

We have much pleasure in publishing the following letter from Mr. Charles Boyd and are certain that it will be of great interest to all our readers.

"To the Editor of the X.R.H. Gazette,  
The Value of Old Comrades Associations.

Dear Sir,

It may be interesting to the readers of the X.R.H. Gazette to hear from one who, now over 40 years ago, served with the Regiment.

I was present at the Annual Gathering this year and had the pleasure of meeting a Comrade I had not seen or heard of for over 30 years. Dickey Leonard of the Band. He left the Regiment soon after it returned from India and the Soudan in 1884.

The meeting of another man is really more interesting and reads more like a novel than a fact, particularly when the subject of it was only a boy, not 14 years of age.

In 1872 the Regiment went on manoeuvres, and while under canvas a little chap attached himself to the Regiment and made himself useful in doing odd jobs for the men. He was a good-looking little fellow and willing to do anything he was asked to do. He came back with us to Colchester and in fact was looked upon as one of the Regiment.

The Regiment embarked for India in 1873 at Portsmouth and after being at sea for some days it was discovered that this boy had by some means been smuggled on board. As we were some way out he was taken on with us, and on to Muttra, our first station in the country.

When the first party went to the Hills for the hot season, Socks (that is the name he went by) also went and there was not a party or detachment, who went to various places, but what you would find the boy with them.

He remained with us for over 4 years but was never enlisted and had not the slightest claim on the Regiment. He was taken home by Capt. Gough, when that officer returned to England with the late King Edward.

I was the means of restoring him to his relations.

He has now served his time with the Fire Brigade and draws his well earned pension from that service.



*The Regimental.*

This, Sir, shows the value of these Old Comrades Associations, for without them it would be almost unlikely that, after so many years, men would meet again and have a few hours chat about what they had done and what they had left undone.

Hoping to soon meet the dear Old Regiment in England again.

Yours faithfully,  
1287 Charles Boyd,  
late Band  
X.R.H."

We here publish some *Proposed* Suggestions and Rules for The Tenth Royal Hussars Old Comrades' Association.

1. That this Association shall in future be known as the 10th Royal Hussars Old Comrades' Annual Gathering.

The object of the Association is to enable all ranks who have served in the Regiment to meet together annually in social and friendly intercourse.

2. All Old Comrades who have served in the Regiment are eligible.

That the annual subscription shall be—Officers 20/-, other members 1/-. Officers not subscribing, to pay 10/- for the dinner, other members 2/6. The above subscriptions are due and should be paid to the Secretary on the 1st January.

3. All moneys received by the Secretary shall be deposited with Messrs. Cox & Co., Bankers. All payments to be made by cheque and must be signed by the Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary.

The funds to be used only in connection with the Annual Dinner, any other expenses incurred must have the unanimous approval of the Committee.

4. That the Committee shall consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and eight members. The Chairman will be Vice-president of the Gathering.

That Provincial Committeemen be appointed to act in the interest of the Gathering.

5. A Sub-Committee to be appointed annually from the above, to act as the Dinner Committee.

6. A Chairman, Vice-Chairman and two auditors to be elected annually, and no member to occupy the chair for more than three consecutive years, unless by the unanimous consent of the Committee.

7. Any member of the Committee absenting himself from four consecutive Committee meetings without notifying the Secretary his inability to attend, shall cease to be a member of the Committee.

8. The President to nominate a past Officer of the Regiment to act as Chairman at the Annual Gathering.

9. The financial year shall end on the 31st December when all accounts shall be audited and sub-

mitted for the approval of the Committee before the 31st January.

10. The Committee shall meet as often as may be deemed necessary.

Signed

L. St. J. HAMBLETON,  
E. H. MOSELEY,  
W. WALKER, } Sub. Comm.

#### REPORT OF X.R.H. ASSOCIATION from May 1st 1913 to March 18th 1914.

During this time relief has been given in five cases of illness. In one case the man has died, the remaining are now better and have no further need of help at present.

Help has been given in two cases where through old age the men are unable to work and are glad of a little occasional assistance.

In four cases of distress through being out of work, three men are now at work and do not need further help.

In two cases where the men needed new teeth and were unable to get them themselves.

Help was given towards the funeral expenses of an old comrade.

One widow has received help on various occasions.

One woman whose husband has left her was helped with the funeral expenses of her son.

A Christmas present was made to an old comrade, who through an accident cannot earn very good wages.

Loans have been made in three cases to help men to start afresh. It seems a pity to have to record that in only one of these has any attempt been made to repay.

#### EMPLOYMENT.

During this period twenty-five men have applied to the Association for employment.

Ex-Sergt.-Major Gordon, vesturer at Canterbury Cathedral.

Ex Sergt.-major Halls, for whom employment has been found.

Ex Sergt.-major Hopkins, employed at the Veterans Club.

Ex Sergt. Eley, assistant night porter at Rowton House, Newington Butts.

Ex Sergt. Bell, has joined the Commissionaire Corps and has a good post.

Ex private Addison, assistant kitchen porter, Rowton House, Newington Butts.

Ex private Larkin, employed at Rowton House, King's Cross.

Ex private Naylor, in charge of Institute, Strensall Camp.

Ex private Squires, has a post as valet.

Ex private Fermor, has a post in the Restaurant Department, General Omnibus Company.

Ex private Hunt, Day porter, Rowton House, Newington Butts.

Ex private MacCormac, waiter at Union Jack Club.

Ex private Crofts, Corridor porter, Rowton House, Newington Butts.

Ex Sergt.-major Jukes, has obtained a post in Nigeria.

Ex Sergt.-major Hustler, is not yet suited.

Ex Lc/Cpl. Hepple, has a post which he found for himself.

Ex Sergt.-major Cox, is seeking a post at the end of April.

The remainder have not applied again, and it is hoped they have now found suitable work.

#### 10th ROYAL HUSSARS' ASSOCIATION.

Balance Sheet from May 1st 1913 to Mar. 18th 1914.

<i>Receipts.</i>		£.	s.	d.
Cash in hand of Secretary	...	5	17	8
Balance standing to credit of account in bank at date of last account	...	212	8	3
Annual subscriptions from 91 officers	...	154	10	0
Four quarters dividend in respect of £700 London County Council Stock	...	19	15	4
One N.C.O. two annual subscriptions	...	2	0	0
460 Yearly subscriptions (N.C.O.s and men) from Regiment in South Africa	...	58	7	6
Balance of grant refunded by Guild of Help, Stockton-on-Tees, in respect of man who died	...	0	15	0
Part of loan repaid	...	0	10	0
		£454 3 9		

<i>Expenses.</i>		£.	s.	d.
Grants for relief of cases of distress, 14 men, £32.16.0; 1 woman, deserted by her husband; 1 widow, £3.0.0	...	35	16	0
Loans toward employment, training and emigration	...	9	0	0
Help for medical treatment (teeth) before emigration	...	4	4	0
Secretary's salary	...	15	0	0
Stationary, office expenses, etc.	...	6	1	6

Bank charges (Messrs. Cox & Co.)	...	12	3
Travelling expenses, postage, etc.	...	2	6 11
		£73 0 8	
Cash in hand of Secretary	...	5	10 9
Balance in Pass Book on March 18th 1914	...	375	12 4
		£454 3 9	

#### CARTOON No. 14.—"R.S.M. E. J. KING."

Your Majesty! A toast *Old Buck!*

For 21 years now have you ornamented the ranks of the Tenth, for which patronage we are much obliged. Perhaps to some you may appear to have always been just *It*, but I can remember the day when a smooth-faced little brat was dumped down at Cork, having been imported from Halifax, Nova Scotia.

On 11th July '94 a pair of knickerbockers and a carpet bag made an appearance at Ballincollig, and the knickerbockers' contents were posted to 'B' Squadron and allotted the Regimental Number of 3351.

For two years and five months you condescended to adopt the title of Private, but the Honorary Members of the Canteen gave a sigh of relief when, on 14th January '97, you left them in peace and transferred your modest self to the House of Commons! Your estimation of your own importance was not wholly unshared by others, for on 25th January '99 you managed to wheedle the second stripe on to your arm. Your peacock tendency was again evinced on 11th October 1900 when yet an extra mark was added to your career and you stepped over the threshold of the House of Lords. Here you aired your infallible views on things all and sundry, until eventually you nosed your way into the select circle of *Knuts*, where you hummed and hawed until Your Majesty deigned to don the Crown on 29th April '13. You will admit that after all you are first class "Cayenne."

We trust that many a year will lapse before you decide to vacate this position in order to sit in an armchair under an apple tree in Tasmania, and, like Sir Isaac Newton, wait for one of the succulent fruits to fall and bump your intellectual cranium.

In 1897 you attended the Equitation Course at Canterbury and all honour to you for the report with which you came away. We hope that some day your careful perusal of the papers may be rewarded in the announcement that a lately abolished rank is to be re-introduced, and that the one aim and object of your life may be deservedly gratified.

Besides this course you also qualified in Musketry at Changla Gali in October '08.

In addition to these qualifications you have continually proved yourself to be at the top of the tree in all matters connected with sport. At Poona in 1905 you received the medal for Best Man at Arms in the Southern Army, which performance you again repeated in the Northern Army, at Rawal Pindi in 1908. Your prowess in sport cannot better be judged than by the fact that your name appears three times on the "Palmer Cup." All through your service you have proved yourself an excellent athlete in every way, and at the present moment can hold your own against all comers with the rifle. However, there is just one thing that you have had to confess that you cannot do, and that is—swim.

Your whole career has not been spent in sport, for you have tested the sterner sides of soldiering. The years 1899—1902 were spent in South Africa and you were present at the following engagements—Relief of Kimberley, Paardeburg, Driefontein and Belfast. For your War Services you were awarded both the Queen's and the King's South African Medals, and also the Medal for Distinguished Conduct in the Field (1902) for gallantry displayed whilst with the Inniskillings.

In addition to these medals you have received the Durbar Medal (1911) and in 1912 you were decorated with the honour to which all good soldiers aspire—the Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct.

On 21st January '09 you decided to share your glorious career with Vera Maud Dean. The brilliant marriage ceremony was performed at Rawal Pindi and is fresh in the memories of most.

We must now bid you farewell, but before closing, we should like to announce that the Squadron Orderly Sergeants intend to present you with a Whitaker's book for reference, thereby to assist you in giving out detail which none but you understand, and until this is accomplished the Editors are willing to receive subscriptions in aid of an Ice Fund for swollen heads.

Yours faithfully,

SCOUT.

### THE REGIMENTAL KIT INSPECTION.

The day dawned cold and dreary,  
On the horizon a dark storm cloud,  
In the bungalows of the Tenth Hussars  
Men groaned and cursed aloud.

A burnished spoon, a gleaming fork,  
A plainly numbered knife,  
A murmur ran around the room  
'Roll on, O *Civvy* Life'!

The kits were laid down as per sketch,  
A most impressive sight  
Of braided tunics and blue pants  
And holdalls blanco'd white.

A wild eyed Sergeant charged down on me  
With the fury of a fiend,  
"Turn those Jacks the other way round,  
You'll get me shot," he screamed.

The B.O. wandered round the ark  
With a mild distracted air,  
Idly muttering "Mops and brooms,"—  
In his eyes a glassy stare.

A Corporal fell fainting on the floor,  
Our hearts turned sick with fear,  
It cost the boys about six bob  
To bring him round with beer.

At last the trumpet's brazen note  
Brought us to quick attention.  
A Scotchman swore and growled to me  
"I'd rather do detention."

The C.O. looked in at the door,  
The S.M. loudly thundered,  
Saluting non-regimentally,  
"Everything's all numbered."

And then I saw some warriors old,  
Who'd been through shot and shell,  
Turn pale and shiver at the knees  
As though 'twere the gates of Hell.

"Water-bottle!" the C.O. said,  
(He's a keen eye for detection)  
And in the same breath sternly yelled  
"Three extra kit inspections."

He slowly floated round the kits,  
Followed by his crowd,  
And many nice remarks were passed  
How he'd look in a shroud!

When all was o'er and he had gone,  
And men could breathe more free,  
Amid the tumult someone said  
"He's put ten years on me."

That night as I lay in my bed,  
Nursing up my sorrow,  
The Orderly Sergeant came and said  
"Er... you'll be for Church to-morrow."

## SHOOTING NOTES.



*Too small.*



*Finding cover*



*You made me shoot you!  
I didn't want to do it!!*

On 24th Jan., Capt. Peto, Messrs. Turnor and Greenwood left for British East Africa, after an earlier start had been stopped at Johannesburg owing to the general strike. On 8th February they left Voi, a station on the Uganda Railway, 100 miles from Mombasa, for the Seringhetti Plains. On these they spent six weeks, enjoying very fair sport. The water supply was rather a difficulty — the only water available being that found in rain pans, most of which were dry on the return journey. The country consists of a rolling plain some 40 miles wide. The tops of the rises are clothed in bush in which are found impala and the elusive gerenu. In the open bushless valleys or vleis between, many hundreds of animals of different species are to be seen grazing peacefully, and generally required a long shot to obtain. The great landmark of the surrounding country is the magnificent Mt. Kilimanjaro, standing just within the German border, 19,000 feet high, with its flat top covered in perennial snow. Innumerable streams flow from it, along one of which, the Lumi, the party went. For a part of its length, this river runs through some magnificent forest, the trees of which stand nearly 100 feet high, with straight stems tapering 70 feet before the branches begin.

This now led the party to Lake Jipe, notorious for the ferocity of its crocodiles and mosquitos. Little or no game was found there, so the party returned to Taveta, the border post in British territory,

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and the residence of an Assistant District Commissioner. Previously, the party had paid a visit to Kit-towo Forest, on the Rufigi, the home of the beautiful Colobus monkeys, of which they bagged 9. The party was disappointed at the small size of the waterbuck heads in the district, and so only shot one, a small head. The Lesser Kudu, too, were not plentiful and defeated the efforts of the sportsmen to secure one in the dense bush edging the plains. Buffalo were not seen, though spoor, two days old, was met with. Of the rest of the game fairly good specimens were obtained.

On reaching Voi again on 23rd March, Capt. Peto heard of a place on the Voi River where buffalo existed. He therefore returned to that river and spent 3½ days tracking buffalo. The bush is very dense there and the consequent difficulty of approaching this very man-shy animal great, so that he finally had to return unsuccessful.

Meanwhile Messrs. Turnor and Greenwood had gone to Nairobi, whence, after a couple of days spent in attending to the trophies secured, and making arrangements, they started off for Stony Athi River, 30 miles S.E. of Nairobi. Here they pitched their camp, just East of the railway and within a few yards of it, so as not to trespass on the reserve, of which the railway is the boundary. Here the game is to be seen in huge promiscuous herds of 5 or 6 species — hartebeeste, zebra, Grant's and Thomson's gazelles, wildebeeste and impala. The water in this "river" is practically stagnant, and consequently brackish. This may account for Mr. Greenwood and several of the boys being unwell. The party had been very fortunate up till now in the matter of bodily health and had suffered little or no inconvenience from the ills that flesh is heir to, either as regards to itself or its following of 40 black barbarians. But the healthiness of the climate is well known.

The return to Mombasa from Stony Athi closed a most enjoyable and quite satisfactory trip. 87 head of game were secured, together with some 30 guinea fowl (a much appreciated delicacy) and francolin (partridges) and 2 python (Capt. Peto).

The bag included:—

1 Lioness (Mr. Greenwood); 1 Rhinoceros (Mr. Turnor); 6 Oryx Callotis (Best 31½ and 29½ inches); 3 Eland (Best 30 inches); 14 Grants's Gazelles. (Best 26 inches); 11 Impala. (Best 26 inches); 3 Wildebeeste. (Best 28 inches); 1 Gerenuk. (12 inches, Capt. Peto); 3 Thomson's Gazelles. (14 and 15 inches); besides Hartebeeste, Bush-pig, Worthog, Zebra, Steinbuk, Dik-dik, etc., etc.

## WISE AND OTHERWISE.

### THE SHOT SHOTT SHOT.

A duel was lately fought by Alexander Shott and John S. Nott. Nott was shot and Shott was not. In this case it is better to be Shott than Nott. There was a rumour that Nott was not shot, and Shott avows that he shot Nott, which proves either that the shot Shott shot at Nott was not shot, or that Nott was shot.

Notwithstanding, circumstantial evidence is not always good. It may be made to appear on trial, that the shot Shott shot shot Nott, or, as accidents with firearms are frequent, it may be possible that the shot Shott shot shot Shott himself, when the whole affair would resolve itself into its original elements, and Shott would be shot and Nott would not.

We think, however, that the shot Shott shot, shot not Shott but Nott. Anyway, it is hard to tell who was shot.

Extract from 'R' Troop detail:

"Any mugs found on any N.C.O's. or man's shelf will be severely delt with."

What's up with our Scouts, when the Scout-master says that a horse's length is 4 yards?

Modern progression in 'C' Squadron. 'Rein back, Walk march!' (Sergt. G.) Next we shall hear 'Retire by sections to the Front!'

Recently an order was issued forbidding the presence of dogs on parade. A certain Officer, in disclaiming the infraction of the rule, said, 'That dog of mine doesn't belong to me.'

*Puzzle.* Name the owner.

## R. A. T. A.

Meetings are held in the R. A. T. A. Room the third Sunday in every month. All members are requested to attend the meetings. Sergt Walkup has presented the Members of the Branch (of 8 years membership) with honours, for which all members wish to thank him.

All are invited to join the above. A comfortable room, games etc. are provided for the use of members. Anyone wishing to join are requested to give their names to the Secretary or the Committee men of their Squadron.

TEMPERATE.



## FIVE MINUTE STUDIES OF NATURAL HISTORY.

### THE CENTAUR.

The Centaur—genus *equus-homo*—translated from the Latin meaning horseman or roughrider, is the half horse and half man of Greek mythology.

This interesting creature originally was found only in the vicinity of Mts. Olympus and Athos, or frequenting the islands of Thasos, Chios, Samos, and Lemos in the Grecian Archipelago. A few stray specimens have also been seen in Austria-Hungary.

The Centaur is now almost as extinct as the Dodo, one living specimen but now remaining in the whole of the known world, and that, luckily owned by this regiment. The docile creature was captured near Stonehenge, Salisbury, Wiltshire, in the year 1901, while quietly munching swedes. Thus, fortunately for us, we are able to study the habits of the species in its natural wild state.

As would be expected, this lovely creature has become quite a regimental pet and now readily answers to the name of "Cooter."

From its general appearance, undoubtedly, this specimen is of very great age, as signs of moulting are extremely evident especially in the regions of its poll, but wisdom or perhaps its natural instincts has taught it that marrow fat, from the shin bones of beef, is a very good preventative against mange and such like maladies. The sagacious animal betakes itself daily to "B" squadron cook-house to secure marrow from Ginger, and then amuses itself for hours together diligently rubbing it into its bald pate, with the tips of its fingers, in the most approved Harlene Drill style. It has been suggested that an unlimited supply of goose grease should be provided for the use of the Centaur, as marrow fat will not grow hair on wood.

One of the chief occupations of the Centaur is to visit the riding school each morning and browse in the warmth of the sun. It does not nibble the shoots of young green grass from the sports ground as might be expected, but contents itself cracking jokes and monkey nuts on which it thrives exceedingly well. While there, the creature also proves that it has the eye of a naturalist, for now and then it will exclaim, "Right tern," as a flock of young gulls passes by it on a circle.

When riding school is over, the sagacious creature betakes itself in search of its keeper Angy, who, knowing the animal's peculiar and strange liking for water treated with hops and malt, trots it over to the Corporals' Mess to slake its thirst with numerous pints of its favourite beverage, and incidentally tries a few himself, as he says, to keep the Cooter company and in good humour. So

knowing is the Centaur that it can tell at once if its beer has been adulterated with lemonade by some ill-disposed person; and, should any adulteration be apparent the creature at once shows its displeasure by grunting, "what 'tis it is it," and the glow-worm round in the centre of its face immediately emits an angry fiery red light. In case of any mis-apprehension, it should be observed that this class of nose is not natural to the species but has been cultivated by liberal doses of Ohlsson's tonic E.D.

At some former time, a benevolent owner had provided the Centaur with a set of false teeth to make up for nature's omission, but these are but rarely used now and may more often than not be found in a haversack which the Cooter keeps under his bed. As this poor creature is not blessed with the means for mastication it will not eat hard food such as meaties, army biscuits or almond rock, but prefers a pound of nicely browned sausages, with mashed potatoes to match.

Nature has provided this species with natural covering for its legs in the shape of jack boots and it has been said that these are cast from off its feet at uncertain times, once or twice a year. No responsibility can be taken for this assertion, as so very few really reliable witnesses can be found that have even seen the Cooter remove its boots when it goes to bed. Opportunities for observing this matter are very frequent, as the Centaur invariably sleeps during the hours of the afternoon, and would not bestir itself again until the next morning, but for the fact of its exceedingly thirsty nature asserting itself directly the sun has set.

This peculiar creature, so its keeper Angy informs me, is of a very intelligent nature. He has taught it to play Nap, Squash billiards and Push-half-penny, and at some future time hopes to lend it to the Zoo for exhibition purposes, or to the Corporals of the Royal Dragoons to run their Derby Sweepstake for them.

His keeper had thoughts of entering the Cooter for the Agricultural Show at Jo'burg this year, but as no beer tasting class appeared on the entries form, has reluctantly been compelled to alter his decision. He intends to keep him up to form here in the corporals' mess until a favourable opportunity to exhibit its strong point should present itself.

Visitors to see this interesting animal are please requested not to mention "A 41" in its hearing, as the timid creature invariably bolts on hearing these words, and might return with another spavin or dropped sole, which will detract from its present elegance and intrinsic value. Also, Angy the keeper, wishes it to be known that, although the Centaur is perfectly docile and may be stroked by children with impunity, it becomes most ferocious

if offered a Bath bun or packet of chewing gum by juveniles after having their usual penny ride on its back.

### CONCERT NOTES.

On Easter Monday, 13th April, a concert was held in the Town Hall in aid of the Royal Society of St. George. Cpl. Swadling, Ptes. Haley and Kelly were among the artistes, and largely contributed to the success of the programme.

Another concert was organised in aid of the Chaplain General's Fund for building Garrison Churches, and held in the Church of England Institute on 20th May.

A lengthy programme was successfully got through. Most of the turns were very good and brought forth much applause. It is impossible to mention every item. The old favourites, Cpl. Swadling and Pte. Haley, with some of their popular songs, rendered good accounts of themselves, and Mrs. Ward revived pleasant memories of the *Old and Gold* at Rawal Pindi. Mr. Smith, bandmaster of the Royals, in a very pleasing voice, sang a charming song, *Doreen*. Mention must also be made of Pte. Earl (Royals), whose clever impersonations of *Mary had a little lamb*, greatly amused the audience. Dr. Williams (R.F.A.) gave us a capital song, *At the football match last Saturday*, which received a well deserved encore. Mr. Drake's whistling solo, accompanied by the band, received a great round of applause and brought forth an encore. We trust he will not be backward in coming forward at future concerts. The band were in very good form and gave excellent renderings throughout the programme of some well chosen selections, including *In the night* and that most popular Potpourri *Melodious Memories*. Despite its length, the concert 'went off' very well and afforded a delightful evening's entertainment. Credit and thanks are due to the Rev. F. G. Webster for his efforts in organising it and for all the participants for coming forward and giving us of their best.

We are glad to announce that this undertaking resulted in a profit of £16.

Certainly one of the best concerts ever put on the stage by the Regiment, was the one organised for 10th June. Very great praise is due to all who took part in it and to those who got it up. The band accompanied a large number of the songs and the remainder were, as usual, accompanied by Corpl. Joel.

### PROGRAMME.

#### Part I.

Selection. "The Joy Ride Lady."	The Band.
Song. "Down in New Orleans."	Pte. Fountain.
Song. "Oh! Bunty."	Cpl. Swadling.
Song. "Early Closing Day." (Encored),	Pte. Slack.
Song. "Where my Caravan has rested."	(Encored). Mrs. Ward.
Song. "They built Piccadilly for me."	(Encored). Pte. Haley.
Song. "In my Harem."	Sergt. Nance.
Song. "What's the Use."	Cpl. Swadling.

#### Part II.

Selection. "Dance de la Banana."	
"In the Night."	The Band.

Farce. "SHOULD THIS MEET THE EYE."

#### Characters.

Lambin Louder	Cpl. Swadling.
Lionel Long	Sergt. Nance.
Teddy ( <i>Waiter</i> )	Pte. Haley.
Septimus Skinflint.	Sergt. Watson.
Nabbem } ( <i>Bailiffs</i> )	Cpl. Pickersgill.
Grabbem }	Pte. Fountain.
Maud.	Mrs. Ward.
Polly ( <i>Maid</i> ).	Mrs. Paskell.

*Scene*.—Chop and Gridiron Hotel, Croydon.

Whistling Solo. (Encored). Lieut. R. F. Drake.

Song. "Nursery Rhymes." Pte. Haley.

The Farce *Should this meet the Eye* was very well acted, although it was quite an ambitious piece for amateurs. The costumes for this were very good, likewise those used in some of the songs, Cpl. Swadling looking particularly attractive in a *Victorian* crinoline in *Oh! Bunty*.

### REGIMENTAL ATHLETIC CLUB.

Below are detailed the results of the monthly Gymkhana held in connection with the above. The interest taken in these sports has fallen off a good deal, so in future the Championship Events only will be run off.

#### 4th Gymkhana.

3 Miles Flat Race. (9 Starters).

1st	Pte. Sugden (19 min. 57 sec.)
2nd	L/Cpl. Roys (20 min. 15 sec.)
3rd	Pte. Wilson (20 min. 25 sec.)

*Wheelbarrow Race.* (12 pairs started).

- 1st Pte. Nash and Boy Ashby.  
2nd L/Cpl. Ward and Pte. Hogarth.

*High Jump.* (12 Entries).

- 1st L/Cpl. Ward (5ft. 1in).  
2nd Pte. Martin.  
3rd Pte. Hogarth.

*Dribbling the Hockey Ball.* (28 Entries).

- 1st Pte. Moores.  
2nd Pte. Hobby.  
3rd Pte. Woods.

*5th Gymkhana.*

*440 Yards.* (6 Starters).

- 1st Pte. Devlin (54 1/5 sec.)  
2nd L/Cpl. Barker.  
3rd Pte. Waterhouse.

*880 Yards.* (6 Starters).

- 1st Pte. Devlin (2 min. 7 1/5 sec.)  
2nd Pte. Wilson.  
3rd Pte. Waterhouse.

*Reveille Race.* (10 Starters).

- 1st Boy Erret. 2nd Pte. Biddle.

*Sack Fight.* (11 Entries).

- 1st Pte. Clifton. 2nd Boy Wink.

*4 Mile Flat Race.* (5 Starters).

- 1st Pte. Sugden.  
2nd Pte. Waterhouse.  
3rd Pte. Wilson.

Besides showing very good form in the Regimental Short Distance Races, Pte. Devlin, as shown below, has done very creditably in open events.

On 8th April at Potchefstroom he was

- 1st in the 220 Yards (25 sec.)  
2nd in the 440 Yards (57 sec.)  
2nd in the 100 Yards (10 2/5 sec.)

And thereby won the Gold Medal for the best performer at the sports.

On 10th April at Randfontein he was

- 1st in the 800 Yards (2 min. 2/5 sec.)

On 21st May at the Wanderers Ground, Johannesburg, he was

- 2nd in the 1000 Yards.

On 25th May at Ventersdorp, starting from scratch, he was

- 3rd in the 100 Yards.  
2nd in the 220 Yards.  
1st in the 440 Yards.

On 1st June at Potchefstroom he was

- 4th in the 880 Yards.  
3rd in the 440 Yards.

At these sports Pte. Waterhouse was placed 3rd in the 880 Yards, and our Relay Team took 1st Prize, Ptes. Devlin (220) Waterhouse (440), Hodges (220) and Jennings (880).

In addition to these successes Pte. Hogarth was placed 3rd in the 100 Yards at the Army Championship Meeting, held at Booyens on 25th May. He won his heat easily but had bad luck in the final, as he broke a shoe.

Pte. Dorman won the 1/4 and 1/2 mile Cycle races and finished 3rd in the Mile at Potchefstroom on 8th April, and secured three 3rds in the 1/4, 1 and 1/2 Mile Cycle races at Randfontein on 11th April.

#### ABOUT 'A' SQUADRON.

Troop training having now finished, we start on the more serious work of Squadron Training. This includes a few days in camp, which was held at Venterskroon. Whilst there, all ranks had a very enjoyable and interesting time. Leaving Potchefstroom on June 22nd, we arrived in camp during the afternoon. Several interesting exercises were carried out—all appertaining to the Squadron during training.

On the 23rd, Lady Helen Mitford, the Colonel and our adjutant, Capt. Stewart arrived from Potchefstroom and witnessed the final phases of that day's work.

The next day, after parade, sports were held which included:—

Trotting Race:—Pte. Eaton, Pte. Hogarth, S. S. Cox.



Pte. Devlin.

Pte. Waterhouse.

Quick Turn-out (Sections) L/Cpl. Davis, L/Cpl. Callaghan.

Mule Race;—Pte. Hogarth, Pte. Sage.

Hidden Treasure? Nothing definite was heard of the result, but 'George' must have been very near, he having been seen on top of contour 4500 with a lamp between the hours of 6 and 7 p.m.

On the 25th, camp was struck and we started for Potchefstroom, operating against the scouts on the way back.

You have to be very careful of those white baobos, don't you, Jock?

(Overheard). All turn out to water, remainder sweep up.

In the Thursday morning sweepstakes, the entries have been very good. Below are the results:—

*June 4th. Tent Pegging (sword).*

1st, Pte. Riley; 2nd, S.S. Cox; 3rd, Pte. Ridgway.

*June 11th. Heads and Posts.*

1st, Sgt. Paskell, 2nd, Pte. Riley, 3rd, Pte. Crumble.

The Troop football matches afforded all plenty of excitement. The 2nd Troop got into the semi-final, being drawn against the Cup Winners B3. After rather a good game, considering the heavy ground, A2 were beaten 3—2, having of course the usual hard lines.

Detailed elsewhere are the performances of Pte. Devlin on the running track. He looks very much like getting the short distance Championship (R.A.C.) also Pte. Sugden, another of 'A', the long distance Championship.

All ranks wish for the speedy recovery of Sir Basil Brooke after his serious accident and that he will soon be with us again.

In the match under Empire Cup conditions against the Wit. Rifles, Johannesburg, S.S.M. Brisley made highest score among all competitors, getting 20 hits (80 pts.) and thereby winning the special prize given by Lt.-Col. Schumacher.

During the quarter we have lost one of two of 'A'. 'Fluffy' (Cpl. Hotine) has gone to the Fire Brigade and Cpl. Jenkins to Rhodesia. We wish them the best of luck in their new surroundings.

NORTHERN HEIGHTS.

THE BUSINESS OF 'B' SQUADRON.

'B' Squadron is still 'B' Squadron although we failed to put in an appearance in last quarter's Gazette.

Captain Fielden rejoined from the Cavalry School for but a short time only, as we again wished him 'goodbye' last month for England to be married. The whole Squadron wish him every happiness for the future. We have much pleasure in welcoming back to the regiment Captain Sir Frank Rose, and to 'B' Squadron as our new squadron leader. All ranks join in giving him a hearty welcome to the squadron, and hope to see him as our leader for a good many years, and all will do their best to keep up the traditions of 'B' Squadron in the future on a par with the past i.e. second to none.

This year, as last, Venterskroon was selected as our rendezvous to carry out part of our Squadron training, but unluckily we had severe storms and had to return to Potchefstroom. But if unsatisfactory in other ways, the troops learned the art of taking cover (from the rain).

In the world of sport 'B' Squadron has held its own, in fact, more than its own judging by the array of cups brought to the squadron. The third troop won the fencing cup, cricket cup and football cup, and sorry to say were just beaten by a party of casuals in the troop shooting cup. The squadron also has the Squadron Shooting Cup, and is well in the running for the Garrison Cup, which next quarter we hope to relate we have won. Congratulations to Sergeant Keeley on winning the open tent-pegging at the Royal Dragoons' sports.

One of the Draft to Corporal:— 'Corporal, I've lost my kit.' Corporal: 'Alright, make out a verbal statement and I'll sign it.' And was it the same Corporal in answering the room at 9.30 p.m. on Sunday night asked: 'Is there anybody here at the pictures?'

Who said Micky couldn't read a map? Is it true, when there was an argument on the Panama Canal, Micky was looking on the map of Africa for the *Panorama* River? Who said it was down at Venterskroon with "Roary Alice?" (Aurora Borealis).

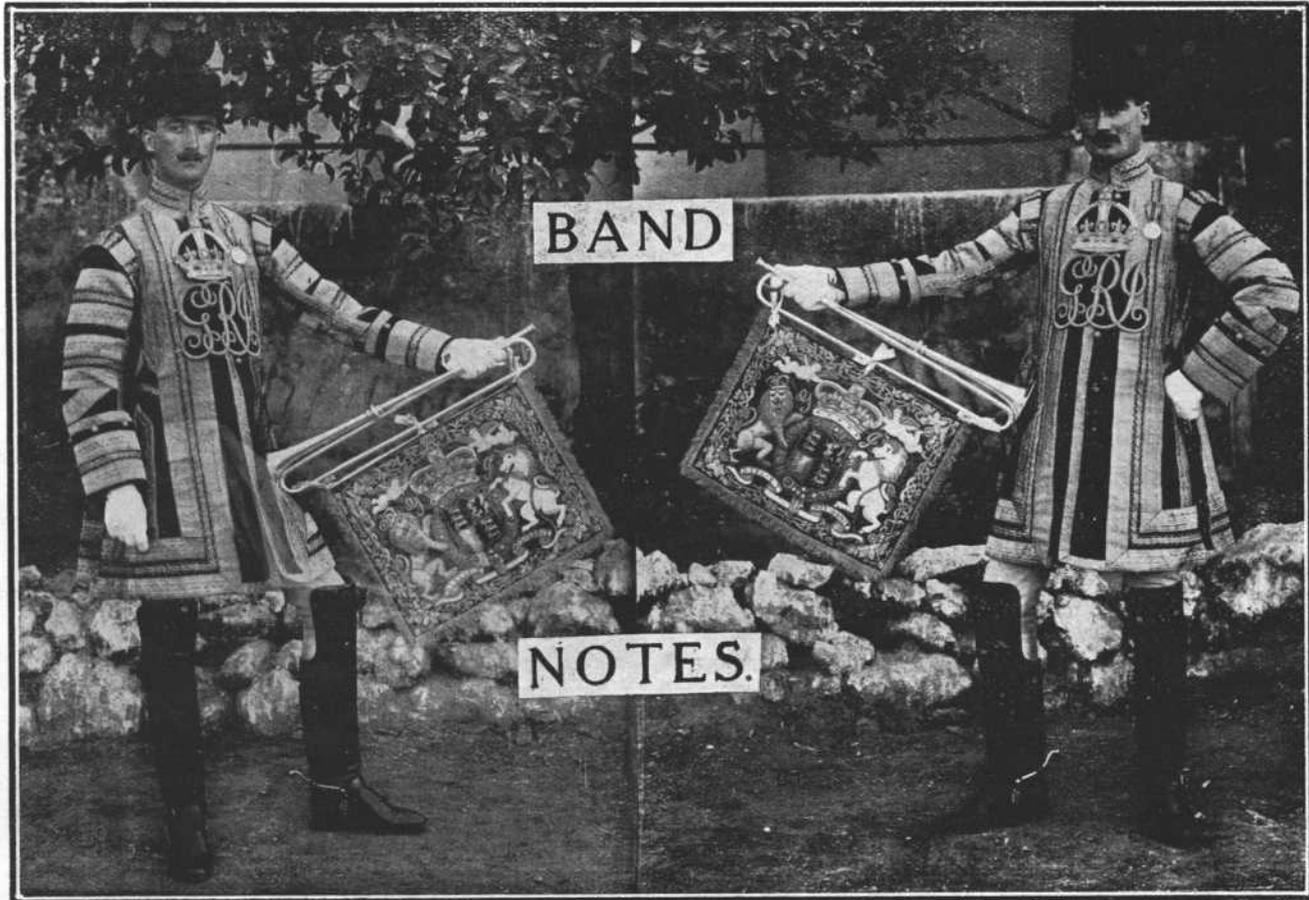
Heard in a restaurant in town.

Saddler, reading the menu or trying to, to waitress, 'What have you got?'

Waitress: 'Ham & eggs, and steak on grill.'

Saddler: 'I'll have the grill, please!'

OUT FRESH.



On 10th April (Good Friday) we went away on quite a long tour, which was not all pleasure but business! business!! oy oy!!! the whole time. The first day took us to Randfontein where a big Sports Meeting took place. The day passed off exceedingly well except for a certain civilian who had a bad spill in a 5 Mile Cycle Handicap. Pte. Devlin is to be congratulated on his performances at this Meeting. The evening was very cloudy but the Band turned out on the Sports Ground to supply the music for a Promenade Concert. However, as predicted, the rain came half way through the programme and everyone adjourned to the Recreation Hall where the concert was continued.

From Randfontein we went straight on Johannesburg, playing at the Races on Saturday (11th). The next day was one that we are still talking about. We played at the Zoo in the afternoon from three o'clock until five, then we rushed straight to Park Station where we caught a train to Boksburg to play at a Sunday League Concert. The Concert was late in starting and after rushing the programme, without exciting the audience's suspicions, there was still one piece to be played and only a few minutes to do it in. Whilst the Band-Master was conducting this, which, by the way, was the Grand Military Tattoo, a note was handed to him from the Station-Master, to the effect that the train was due

to start in two minutes and that this was the last train from Boksburg! The excitement was intense and after one grand pause in the middle of the piece, we raced through God Save the King, and rushed for the train. Those with small instruments were lucky, but with the help of civilians who were carrying the big drum, tubular bells, etc., everybody managed to jump aboard as the train steamed out of the station. Although we have had some hard days, I really think that Sunday was the hardest.

During the following week we were at the big Agricultural Show, where the Musical Ride performed each day. The jumping as usual was a great attraction, and we enjoyed watching young Master Williams and hope to see him again next year. In the High Jump he cleared 6 ft. 2 in., and was unlucky to fall at 6 ft. 5 in.

The following week was taken up by the Civic Association Gala Week. Here we were very busy and the Band was much appreciated wherever it played. One of the performances included a Living Bridge Display at the Wanderers Hall. It was very well planned and beautifully carried out by the school children. It was such a success that it was repeated two days later.

The Band returned to Potchefstroom on the 26th and found that the Troop Football was about to start. In the first round we just managed to beat

'B' 4 by two goals to one, and in the second round we beat 'A' 3 by two goals to nil, thanks to the good game played by Clifton, Cpl. Pollock and Morris.

We proceeded back to Johannesburg on the 23rd May, but this trip was not nearly so businesslike (worse luck). On Empire Day we played at the Unionist Party Club and were fully appreciated by the large audience. Our programme was chiefly made up of British Melodies.

On the 27th we played a football match against St. John's College, Houghton Estate, on the Scholar's ground. The following is an account of the match in a leading Johannesburg paper. "The game throughout was fast and brilliant, ending in a win for the soldiers by two goals to nil. After the match, the visitors with their lady friends were taken all over the College, and later served with tea." I am sure that every member of the Band, who was at the College, thanks Mr. Alston, the Ground's Master, for the way he arranged everything for our benefit.

On our return to Barracks, a few days later, we continued our struggle in the Troop Cup and had to play, 'C' 2 in the Semi-Final. Unfortunately Clifton was unable to play; however, we managed to beat them 2—0, and so were left in for the Final against 'B' 3. This game proved disastrous and the Band lost by three goals to nil. So for two years in succession the Cup has been so near and yet so far. But the old saying "While there's Life there's Hope" will yet stand good, and we'll have that Cup, perhaps next year, for "one never knows, does one?"

On the 10th June we proceeded to Pietersburg. This place is quite out of the way, being over one hundred miles North of Pretoria. It is about the size of Potchefstroom and has quite a lot of English inhabitants. The first two days were spent in playing at the Annual Show and the third day at the Races. The Race Course was most primitive, just open veldt, with a single furrow to mark out the Course, no rails being used whatsoever. Two forms did duty for the "Bookies Ring". It was one huge joke to us after playing at such a Course as Turffontein. But the races were funnier still. In the first race three horses started, one horse instead of keeping in the track indicated by the furrow, went straight on across country, and the horse which came in first was disqualified. The next race, however, was the *corker*. Just as the horses were about to start cries of Wait! Wait! arrested the starter's attention, who saw coming out of the Paddock (?) a horse being ridden by a civilian, who had his socks turned outside his trousers to keep them down. We all watched for this civilian when they left the post, after a few false starts, and to our amazement he

won the race but got fined a guinea for not wearing any racing colours. The climax was reached when, in our hearing, one of the Stewards asked the Starter if he would mind hurrying up with his lunch so as to start another race. It was a good outing for us and everyone had a jolly time there including

#### AFTER THE BEAT.

(Eds. We presume that the jockeys not riding in ordinary *civvies* were therefore not Civilians.)

#### FOOTBALL NOTES.

##### INTER-SQUADRON RUGBY FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

This year the football season was started with the rugby tournament. 'B' Squadron proved the winners, winning three matches.

##### 'A' versus 'B'.

This game was fairly even until just before half time, when 'B' scored a try, which they converted. About half way through the second half Wike scored a try for 'A', which Martin was unable to convert. Result 'B' 5—'A' 3.

##### 'C' versus 'R'.

'C' had the best of the game, and in the first half after a fine pass by Ingham and Morton, Barnes scored a try for 'C', which was converted by Cheeseborough. At the beginning of the second half, from a scrimmage, Battye scored a try which was also converted. Later from a beautiful pass by Major Shearman, Mr. Stokes scored, but this was not converted. Shortly before time 'R' got a try which they failed to convert. Result 'C' 13—'R' 3.

##### 'A' versus 'R'.

A very even game throughout. Just before time Major Mitford and Hogarth each scored a try for 'A', but neither were converted, although Cpl. Swales made very fine kicks. Result 'A' 6—'R' 0.

##### 'B' versus 'C'.

'B' scored 2 tries in the first half, but they were not converted. In the beginning of the second half 'C' pressed and looked like scoring, until Burke relieved the pressure, making a fine run down the ground and they had the best of the game until just on time when 'C' scored a try. Result 'B' 6—'C' 3.

##### 'A' versus 'C'.

In the first half 'A' pressed most of the time, Wike and Hogarth each scoring a try, neither of which were converted. For the remainder of the game 'A' had slightly the best of it, but there was no further scoring. Result 'A' 6—'C' 0.

*'B' versus 'R'.*

The game opened fairly evenly, 'R', if anything, having the advantage. Then, however, 'B' came to the fore and gained an advantage which they never afterwards lost. Their passing at times was conspicuously good and they played a dashing game. 'R' were rather outclassed, but never for a moment got their tails down and put up quite a good show, in spite of appearances from the score. In the second half 'B' only scored once, this being a fine try (converted) by Burnett. Result 'B' 17—'R' 0.

## THE ARMY CUP.

We drew a bye in the first round and met the Royals in the second on 11th June, on the Garrison Ground.

During the first ten minutes we decidedly pressed, after this for a quarter of an hour the game was more even, and then the Royals from a penalty kick scored. After this we again pressed, and had two corners in our favour which Doig took beautifully, but neither were put through. There was no further score in the first half of the game.

After the commencement of the second half, Green soon took a penalty kick for hands, which was well saved by Mr. Waterhouse, but followed up and put it through. Play was evenly divided for the next twenty minutes and then the Royals scored again.

During the last ten minutes the Royals pressed continually and just on time added a third goal to their score. Result 3 goals to 1.

There is no doubt the best team won, but a margin of 1 goal would have been a better representation of the game.

For our team everyone played a very good game, Cpl. Dyson being particularly conspicuous.

Team was as follows: Coyle, Cpl. Barnes, Moores, Cpl. Dyson, Rose, Cpl. Keith, Birch, Doig, Kappler, Green and Cpl. Pollock.

## INTER TROOP FOOTBALL CUP.

This was started on 11th May and was finished on 4th June. As usual this produced some keen and well contested games. The Cup again goes to 'B' Squadron, but this time to the 3rd Troop, who are to be congratulated on their victory.

Below we give a summary of the games:

*1st Round.*

'A'2 beat 'B'2 (7—1).	'A'3 beat 'B'1 (1—0).
'A'4 ,, 'R'2 (2—1).	Band ,, 'B'4 (2—1).
'B'3 ,, 'A'1 (3—0).	'C'2 ,, 'C'4 (1—0).
'R'1 ,, Maxim gun (2—0).	'C'1 ,, 'C'3 (2—0).

*2nd Round.*

'A'2 beat 'A'4 (2—1).	'C'2 beat 'C'1 (2—1).
'B' ,, 'R'1 (1—0).	Band ,, 'A'3 (2—0).

*Semi Final.*

'B'3 beat 'A'2 (3—2).	Band beat 'C'2 (2—0).
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*Final.*

'B'3 beat Band (3—0).

The Colonel presented the Cup to the winners at the end of the match and congratulated them on their success.

## BOXING NOTES.

A Boxing Tournament was held on 2nd, 3rd and 4th April at the Church of England Institute to decide the Regimental Championships.

Considering that this was the first held since the Regiment left India, the entries were disappointing, and the interest in the sport in the Regiment was not justly shown by the size of the house attracted there on any of the nights.

Besides these there were Novices and Boys Competitions and Contests each night. The fights, on the whole, were good, especially on the first and last nights.

## NOVICES MIDDLE WEIGHT COMPETITION.

*1st Round.*

Pte. Burke, X.R.H. beat Pte. Chadwick, X.R.H. The latter giving it up in the first round.

Pte. Bell, A.V.C., beat Pte. Royal, X.R.H., on points. Royal got home some good lefts, but Bell lasted better and scored heavily towards the end.

Pte. Jackson, 1st R.D., knocked Corpl. Clarke, X.R.H. out in the 1st round. Clarke shows great promise and perhaps was rather unfortunate.

Pte. Rogers, 1st R.D., beat Pte. Hicks, X.R.H., on points. The latter put up a plucky fight but had the worst of it all through.

*Semi Final.*

Pte. Burke knocked Pte. Jackson out at the commencement of the last round.

Pte. Bell beat Pte. Rogers on points.

*Final.*

Pte. Burke beat Pte. Bell.

## NOVICES WELTER WEIGHT COMPETITION.

*1st Round.*

Pte. Wigham, X.R.H., beat Pte. McIntyre, 1st R.D., on points.

*Semi Final.*

Pte. Hogarth, X.R.H., scratched to Pte. Burke, X.R.H.

Pte. Chadwick, X.R.H., scratched to Pte. Wigham.

*Final.*

Pte. Burke knocked out Pte. Wigham in the 1st round.

## NOVICES LIGHT WEIGHT COMPETITION.

*1st Round.*

Pte. Goldsmith X.R.H. beat Pte. Fetrol X.R.H. on points. This was a fight with plenty of hard hitting.

*2nd Round.*

Pte. Dunce, X.R.H., beat Dr. Settle, R.F.A., on points.

Pte. Reynolds, X.R.H., beat Pte. Brown, X.R.H., the latter giving it up in the 2nd round.

Pte. Watson, X.R.H., knocked out Pte. Hunt, 1st R.D., in the 2nd round.

Pte. Goldsmith scratched to Pte. Hogarth, X.R.H.

*Semi Final.*

Pte. Reynolds beat Pte. Dunce, who gave it up in the 1st round.

Pte. Hogarth beat Pte. Watson on points.

*Final.*

Pte. Reynolds beat Pte. Hogarth. The latter gave it up in the 2nd round.

## NOV. FEATHER WEIGHT COMPETITION.

*1st Round.*

Pte. Davis, X.R.H., beat Pte. Turner, 1st R.D., easily.

Pte. Nock, X.R.H. knocked out Pte. Harris, 1st R.D., in the last round.

Pte. Lascelles, X.R.H., beat Pte. Smith, X.R.H. on points, after a poor and one sided fight.

*Semi Final.*

Pte. Davis beat Pte. Dillon, X.R.H. The latter giving it up at once, after a short but comic turn.

Pte. Nock beat Pte. Lascelles on points. Lascelles put up a exceptionally plucky fight, and was awarded the prize for the best loser in the tournament.

*Final.*

Pte. Nock scratched to Pte. Davis.

## REG. MIDDLE WEIGHT COMPETITION.

*1st Round.*

Pte. Royal beat Pte. Hicks. Royal, who took

time to get over a nasty jab, recovered, and Hicks was compelled to give in in the 2nd round.

*Semi Final.*

Cpl. Featherstone beat Sergt. Ray on points.

Pte. Hammond beat Pte. Royal on points. Throughout this fight he resorted to his old rushing tactics.

*Final.*

Pte. Hammond beat Corpl. Featherstone on points. Featherstone having only just failed to knock Hammond out at the end of the 2nd round.

## REG. WELTER WEIGHT COMPETITION.

*1st Round.*

Pte. Wigham scratched to Cpl. Nelson.

Pte. McQueen easily beat Cpl. Featherstone on points.

*Semi Final.*

Pte Hammond beat Cpl. Nelson by a narrow margin of points.

Pte. McQueen easily beat Pte. Wallace on points.

*Final.*

Pte. McQueen beat Pte. Hammond, who gave in in the 2nd round.

## REG. LIGHT WEIGHT COMPETITION.

*Semi Final.*

Pte. Wallace beat Pte. Watson. He did most of the leading and won on points.

Pte. Tee knocked out Pte. Goldsmith at once.

*Final.*

Pte Tee beat Pte. Wallace, who went down after a good hit in the jaw and was counted out.

## BOYS COMPETITION.

*1st Round.*

Boy Pope, 1st R.D., beat Boy Errett, X.R.H., (He afterwards scratched).

*Semi Final.*

Tptr. Desmond, R.F.A., beat Boy Harkinson. The latter giving it up just on time after putting up a good fight.

*Final.*

Boy Sharples, X.R.H., beat Tptr. Desmond by a narrow margin of points after a good fight.

On the first night Pte. McCann, 1st R.D., beat Pte. Bell, A.V.C., in a contest. The latter giving it up in the 3rd round after receiving a straight right in the jaw.

On the second night the contest between Pte. Wallace, X.R.H., and Gr. Robinson, R.F.A., went the full 8 rounds, with the latter winning on points. They were good level rounds, except the 3rd, 6th and 8th, when Robinson scored pretty freely.

On the last night Cpl. Hoinville, 1st R.D., knocked out Pte. Tee, X.R.H. in the 2nd round, the latter not being up to his usual form.

At the end Major Shearman congratulated the winners and presented the prizes, after making a few remarks on the boxing that had taken place during the tournament and commented on the various ages of the fighters, which ranged from that of *father* Dillon down to Boy Errett.

The 1st Staffordshire Regiment held a boxing tournament at Pietermaritzburg on 18th April. Cpl. Roys fought Pte. Terry in a 15 round contest, and the following account is an extract from *The Natal Witness*.

'From the gong Roys went in to mix things up, a game which does not suit the Stafford man's style. Only very clever head and footwork kept Terry out of trouble. He frequently nonplussed the Hussar whose leads were evaded skilfully. In the 3rd round the Hussar managed to get to close quarters but no great harm was done. He kept on forcing the fighting and it was evident that Terry had his work cut out to keep the scoring down. In the 6th round Roys got home on the face heavily twice. Terry was a bit shaken but was fresh when the gong sounded. At the next meeting Terry assumed the aggressive and found that Roys too knew something about headwork. If anything the round was in favour of Terry. In the 8th round Roys pressed the attack home and landed heavily, Terry's loss of speed towards the end showing that the points had taken effect. Terry got in well on the body in the next round but Roys appeared to enjoy the experience and it certainly had no effect on his strength. In the 10th the Hussar did all the work and pointed rapidly. A good round but leaving Terry rattled. After the rest Roys again got to close quarters and a series of half-arm jabs on the ribs did nothing to improve Terry's prospects. The Stafford man pulled himself together and was boxing prettily at the gong. Then Roys rushed the fighting and it was evident that he was going for the point in order to settle matters. Terry kept his chin out of the way for a bit but a sharp exchange at close quarters sent him down to take the count to 7. He was down again when the gong sounded. In the 13th Roys made a rough house of it and it was evident that Terry's chance was gone. He was tiring rapidly and his counters had no effect on the Hussar.

A punch full on the face followed by a rib-binder rattled him badly, and at the end of the round he was again down, having taken 4 seconds. The 14th round found Terry very groggy. Roys seemed to have given up his ambition to score a knock-out and contented himself with scoring. In the last round Terry kept as much out of the way as circumstances permitted. There was nothing much doing and the Hussar won a capital battle by a handsome margin.'

The Amateur Boxing Championships of South Africa were held in Johannesburg on 8th and 9th May. Several representatives of the Regiment entered and showed a good account of themselves.

In the Welter Weights Pte. Birch was beaten by Pte. Eade (Bedfords), who in turn was ultimately beaten by the Champion, A. Maclean (South African Railways).

In the Light Weights Pte. Wike was beaten by T. W. Robb (Kroonstad), who afterwards scratched. Pte. Reynolds was only just beaten by Lou Wilson (Port Elizabeth) by a narrow margin of points and had he followed up on two or three occasions, would probably have had the verdict. Cpl. Featherstone was knocked out by A. Mangan (Roodepoort) who was not beaten until he met J. Thomas in the final. Pte. McQueen beat Drummer Peary (Bedfords) in the first round and Lou Wilson in the second round. After this fight he met Thomas in the Semi-Final and got beaten on points. Thomas was a good deal the quicker of the two and scored freely at the beginning, however in the last round McQueen rallied splendidly and more than held his own. All the papers were unanimous in describing this as the best fight of the meeting.

In the Feather Weights Pte. Wallis (Junior) beat H. Thornton (Johannesburg) on points but unluckily then drew against Cpl. Roys; the winner of this had to meet A. Wilde (Roodepoort) in the final, so Wallis scratched. Cpl. Roys beat W. Steele (Kimberley) on points and then met Wilde, but to everyone's surprise got knocked out in the first round. It was unfortunate as he was considered to have a very good winning chance.

On 25th May Pte. McQueen fought Pte. Bartlett (Royals) in a 10 round contest at Kimberley. It resulted in a draw, and from the accounts in the local newspapers was an excellent fight. McQueen appears to have had the best of the first four rounds, after which Bartlett began to score. McQueen scored with a good left swing in the 6th round, but Bartlett had the best of the 7th and 8th, although at the end of the latter he was down. Points were evenly divided in the last two rounds.

Pte. McQueen met Thomas, who had beaten him in the Amateur Championship, on the 6th June, at a tournament organised by the *Rand Daily Mail* in aid of the Distress Relief Fund on behalf of those in distress owing to the last strike.

This time the fight was a six round contest and he again got beaten on points. Thomas' greater quickness again enabled him to score repeatedly, but McQueen took the punishment well. He was outclassed but nevertheless he made a very plucky fight of it.

On 15th June Pte. Wallace (Junr.) met J. S. Jacobs (Johannesburg) in a 10 round contest at Kimberley. We give an extract from a report of the fight in the *Diamond Fields Advertiser*.

"The fight of evening was that between Pte. Wallace, of the 10th Hussars, and J. C. Jacobs, of Johannesburg. Both men were willing and fought well throughout the whole contest. Wallace seemed to have his opponent well beaten in the second round, but he could not put in the knockout. Jacobs who recently put up a grand contest with young Ellmore, never looked a likely winner, the soldier's left to the chin being at times too much in evidence for his liking.

The decision—a draw—gained approval, but it must be confessed that Wallace did most of the fighting, and, on the game, should have had a few points in hand.'

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### REGIMENTAL GAZETTE.

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#### EXTRACTS FROM THE "LONDON GAZETTE."

War Office, Whitehall, London, S.W.  
Dated 25th March, 1914.

2nd Lieutenant The Hon. David W. Leslie-Melville resigns his commission.

#### PENSIONS.

No. 1256 Tptr. W. G. Bryant has been granted a pension of 9 pence per diem for life, from 12/3/14.

Authority: Cavalry Records No. H.R. 1/10/1256 d/- 13/3/14.

No. H-5458 Pte. W. Craddock has been granted a pension of 8 pence per diem for 18 months from 28/3/14.

Authority: Cavalry Records No. H.R. 1/10/5458 dated 15/4/14.

No. H-6023 Pte. W. Sutton has been granted a pension of 8 pence per diem for 18 months from 15/4/14.

Authority: Cavalry Records No. H.R. 1/10/6023 dated 5/5/14.

#### PASSED CLASSES OF INSTRUCTION.

Major C. W. H. Crichton passed an examination for Tactical Fitness for Command, in accordance with Appendix XII, King's Regulations, 1912, at Shorncliffe, on 25th, 26th and 27th February 1914.

Authority: Northern Command Order No. 305 d/- 14/3/1914.

The following N.C.Os. attended for instruction, at the School of Musketry, Hythe, from 8th February to 7th March 1914, and qualified on the termination of the course:—

No. 4164 S.S.M. J. Blyth.

No. H-9297 Sgt. H. Cuthbert.

No. 4087 Sgt. A. O'Connell.

No. 4238 Sgt. A. Hawkes.

No. H-2948 Lce/Cpl. L. Keeling qualified as Assistant Instructor in Signalling at a Course of Instruction held at the Army School of Signalling, Aldershot.

Captain M. A. de Tuyll attendend for instruction with the 303rd Qualifying Rifle Party at Hythe from the 4th to the 31st March, 1914, and qualified on the termination of the course.

Authority: Command Order No. 227 dated 5/5/14.

The undermentioned Officers were examined at Potchefstroom on the 18th May, 1914, and qualified in Subject "C" for promotion:—

Captain C. H. Peto.

Lieut. H. C. Brocklehurst.

Lieut. G. E. Gosling.

Lieut. V. J. Greenwood.

Authority C. O. No. 287, dated 6/6/1914.

#### CERTICATES OF EDUCATION.

The undermentioned N.C.Os. and men were awarded Certificates of Education at an examination held at Potchefstroom on 3rd April:—

##### 2nd Class.

No. H-7959 L/Cpl. J. Garside. No. H-9053 Boy O. Thorpe.

##### 3rd Class.

No. H-6983 Pte. J. McDonald. No. H-8173 Pte. J. McFadden. No. H-7248 Pte. J. Wilson.

And on 10th February, 1914:—

##### 1st Class.

No. 3941 Sgt. J. Keats. No. 4972 Sgt. I. M. C. L. Slattery.

*Passed in Group I.*

No. 3601 L/Sgt. F. Lloyd. No. H-983 Cpl. (O.R.C.) G. Oliver.

And on 29th May, 1914 :—

*2nd Class.*

No. 5468 Cpl. H. Hardy. No. H-7730 L/Cpl. L. Pattle. No. H-4310 Pte. T. Hope. No. H-6657 Pte. A. Picton.

*3rd Class.*

No. H-5930 Pte. F. Greig.

## TRANSFERS RECEIVED.

From 2nd Bn. Bedfordshire Regiment, 25th April, 1914 :—

No. 9550 Pte. H. Cordon. No. 9362 Pte. C. Worboys. No. 9704 Pte. W. Devereux. No. 7899 Pte. H. Page.

From 2nd Bn. East Lancashire Regiment, 5th June, 1914 :—

Pte. Prior.

## DISCHARGES.

No. H-8300 L/Cpl. G. Moore, 12/5/14.

No. H-2409 Pte. G. Scott, 20/6/14.

No. H-6962 Pte. J. Watkins, 20/6/14.

## TRANSFERRED TO THE ARMY RESERVE.

The undermentioned N.C.Os. and men are transferred to the Army Reserve :—

No. H-962 L/Cpl. C. Hotine, 24/5/14.

No. H-4686 Pte. H. Hancock, 24/5/14.

## EXTENSION OF SERVICE.

No. H-968 L/Cpl. W. Arkell has been permitted

to extend his Service to complete 12 Years service with the Colours. Dated 29/6/14.

## PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

No. 4110 Cpl. A. Walkup is promoted Sergeant from 30/1/14 vice Bell discharged.

No. 4097 L/Cpl. T. Pollock is promoted Corporal from 30/1/14 vice Walkup.

No. H-4945 Bds. H. Webb is appointed Paid Lance Corporal from 39/1/14 vice Pollock.

The following are appointed Unpaid Lance Corporals :—

No. 5369 Pte. H. Scales, 3/4/14.

No. 5380 Bds. G. Hearne, 3/4/14.

No. H-2447 Pte. W. Greaves, 27/4/14.

No. H-7244 Pte. S. Daly, 28/4/14.

No. H-4534 Pte. H. Lane, 13/6/14.

No. H-1117 Pte. J. Fraser is appointed Shoing Smith from 6/2/14 vice Adams discharged.

No. H-1988 L/Cpl. G. Francis is appointed Rough Rider, 7/4/14.

No. H-2809 L/Cpl. F. Barker is appointed Paid Lance-Corporal, 25/5/14.

The following are appointed Bandsmen :—

No. 5629 Pte. W. Bodill, 4/1/14.

No. H-9054 Boy G. Wink, 30/1/14.

## BIRTHS.

*Marshall.*—At Potchefstroom Cantonments, on the 16th May, the wife of S.Q.M.S. J. Marshall, of a son. (George, Edward).

*Bear.*—At Potchefstroom Cantonments, on the 25th June, the wife of Corpl. S. Bear, of a daughter. (Daisy, Milicent).