NATIONAL GUARD OF CALIFORNIA

The commander-in-chief, Governor Budd, Adjutant-General Barrett and Brigadier-General Warfield were in consultation for some time in this City on Saturday morning, and it was with a view to call out the members of the guard on what is known as "emergency call," for the purpose of finding out what proportion of the men could be found at the armories and ready for duty upon short notice. The day was chosen because Governor Budd had declared it a legal holiday, but the clerk of the weather, who is no respecter of legal holidays on short notice, or of the scheme to turn the men out on the hurry-me-quick plan, interposed an objection in the shape of a heavy drizzle and occasional showers. There being no sign of clearing up at noon, the heads of the National Guard held another meeting and decided to declare the emergency call off on account of the weather.

About ten days ago one of the local papers announced that one of the Assemblymen had introduced a bill in the House at Sacramento having for its object the reorganization of the National Gaurd and placing certain officers, who would be officially decapitated, on the retired list. The purpose of the bill, as one could read between the lines making the announcement in print, was the removal of Major-General James. Since the publication efforts have been made to find a copy of that bill, but without success, and the ones in Sacramento who ought to know appear to be entirely oblivious as to its existence. It may be that some one of the legislators has such a bill to offer and has not yet done so.

The resignation of Colonel McDonald is still the subject of talk in guard circles, but the fact that he has tendered his resignation and that it has been accepted has not yet officially been made known, and until it is, no election can be called to choose his successor.

There appears to be no one who will oppose the promotion of Lieutenant-Colonel Duboce, and it also appears at this time as if he will continue in command of the First Infantry, Second Brigade, having practically been the head of the regiment for many months.

The following orders have been issued in the matter of the inquiry into the affairs of Troop A, Cavalry:

Special Orders No. 1.

A board of inquiry is hereby convened to meet at headquarters of the division, 320 Sansome street, room 12, San Francisco, Cal., on Monday, January 18, 1897, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable, to investigate the condition of troop A, Cavalry, N. G. C., stationed at San Francisco, and to report their findings to the division commander. Detail for the board: Colonel Frank W. Sumner, division inspector; lieutenant-colonel V. D. Duboce, First Infantry; captain Michael J. Burke, troop C, Cavalry.

The board will examine into the records, accounts and vouchers of the troop. Particular attention will be given its financial condition, also its discipline. The board is authorized to call before it any officer or man connected with the National Guard.

Lieutenant-Colonel James F. Smith, judge advocate, division, will assist the board.

By command of Major-General James.

JOHN C. CURRIER,
Colonel and Assistant Adjutant-General.

Official: J. C. CURRIER, A. A. G.

Notwithstanding the little matter of an inquiry, the troop is going right along, and as they say in beneficiary organizations, "taking in new members all the time." On last Wednesday night nine men whose names had been favorably reported on by the recruiting committee were elected, and the names of sixteen more were presented and turned over to the committee for investigation. The same night Private Walter Woodward Price, at one time a member of Squadron A, N. G., of the State of New York, was elected first lieutenant of the troop, and First Sergeant W. Penniman was elected second lieutenant, the vote in each case being unanimous.

At the meeting of C and G Companies, First Infantry, Second Brigade, held last Monday, the medals won by members at the State shoot were distributed. The championship medal went to Private Chris Meyer; first-class to Lieutenant C. E. Goodell, second-class to Sergeant W. Larkin, third-class to Private Norton and the fourth-class to Private Peter Bull. After that there was a distribution to the members of eighty prizes that were contributed by friends of the companies, to be contested for at the company shoots.

Captain Marshall, drill-master of the local police force, wants to be major in the First if it should happen that Major Buxton is promoted to the lieutenant-colonelcy of that regiment.

At the annual meeting of the board of officers of the First Infantry, Second Brigade, held last Thursday, nothing was done beyond the announcement that Colonel McDonald had resigned and the discussion of possible bills which may be introduced in the House or Senate to change the status of the National Guard. The consensus of opinion as expressed at the meeting was that the guard does not need reorganization at this time, but that it does need assistance to place it on a better footing.

Third Brigade.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., Jan. 15.—There has been a very fair attendance at drill during the past week among the local companies of the National Guard in this city, but as yet they have not fairly recovered from their month of rest, and are by no means well up in point of attendance and drill. Company E turned out 55 strong last night, and went through the usual drill in body movements and manual exercise. This company is desirous to match twenty to twenty-five men, in a fifty shot to the man contest, with any company in the State for a supper, the companies to exchange targets and to mutually agree upon inspectors, etc. They have admitted a number of new members and have other applications on file, which will be acted on immediately.

The cavalry troop has also returned to their drills and are also coming into form rapidly. They are preparing for a field day to be held in the near future, and are more than anxious to be supplied with regulation carbines in order that they may improve at the butts.

Company G turned out fifty-four men at drill on Monday night and practiced at bayonet exercise and company movements. They have elected a new shooting committee, consisting of Corporals Ullery and Milliken and Privates Aine, Stripling and Peters, who will formulate plans to bring the expenses of target practice within the amount allowed by Captain Sterns for that purpose, and will endeavor to stimulate enthusiasm in the shooting line by offering suitable medals for competition. They are also empowered to procure grounds on which to erect 300 and 500 yard ranges and have been placed in charge of the targets, etc.

Armorer Phil Cook is greatly exercised in mind over this matter, as he claims that in case of war with Spain or any other foreign power the members of the company will stand but little chance of being included in the ranks of the sharpshooting element unless practice is begun immediately.

The favorite of the company, Quartermaster Kline, has become a benedict, and the members of G claim that they head the list of all the companies in the State in the number of married men in the ranks, possessing at the present time twenty-nine, with numerous others in prospective.

Considerable indignation exists against headquarters because of objections which have been stated against the companies using any surplus which may accrue, after payment of rents, etc., from their $100 per month State allowance in the purchase of ammunition with which to improve at the butts; and there are many of the enlisted men who openly declare that they will not re-enlist again owing to this regulation which the adjutant-general's office is endeavoring to enforce. They claim that they should be allowed to expend their surplus as they please as long as they settle all bills and keep their company stock up in shape. They say that at present the greatest need of the companies is to improve in their rifle practice and they think that the adjutant-general's office should not object to their claims, or rather vouchers for money expended for ammunition, which they claim has been done.

The company commanders in this City are in favor of having a sufficient amount appropriated by the Legislature for encampment purposes, so that the men can be paid at the rate of $2 per day while in camp and do their own cooking, etc. They claim that the majority of the men are working men to whom it is an object not to lose a day's employment and that they should be partially reimbursed while out on State work. Heretofore it has been customary when holding encampments to hire waiters, cooks, etc., but it is thought that encampments should be as near actual service as possible: men to erect their own tents, cook their own provisions by messes, and in all ways conform to active service duty. It is greatly desired to hear the expressions of the other captains of companies throughout the State on this subject.

Signal Corps, Third Brigade.

During the month of December the signal corps of the Third Brigade took its annual "lay-off." They ushered in the Christmas month in a most becoming manner by giving their first annual ball on the evening of Tuesday, December 1. The dance was a most elaborate affair, being held in Armory Hall, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion with bunting, flags and flowers. The walls on each side of the hall were decorated with the crossed flags of the signal corps and between the galleries and chandeliers streamers of bunting and flags of every color and description were strung in pleasing profusion. Neale's Orchestra, which was placed on the stage, was embowered in a mass of potted palms, ferns and other evergreens and added very much to the enjoyment of the occasion by playing a number of extra concert pieces. The officers' quarters were open and a little extra collation was served to the old "war-horses" present, among whom were Colonel Peeler, Colonel Guthrie, Major Wallace, Major and Signal Officer Douglas and other general and commissioned officers of the National Guard. A large bowl of punch, another of lemonade and cakes and sandwiches were dispensed to the dancers in the hall.

The grand march was led by Major Douglas and Mrs. Colonel Peeler, while the colonel himself, who was at the time suffering from a severe sprain occasioned by being thrown from his horse, had to content himself by watching the dances from the gallery. The committee on arrangements, to whom much credit is due for the success of the affair, consisted of Sergeant Watkins and Corporals Byrne and Roblin. When the "Home Sweet Home" waltz was over, many happy couples said to one another that Lieutenant Martin's command had "done themselves proud," and went home with the intention of meeting the Signal Corps again.

The terms of Sergeants Bailey and Martin have expired, but, as they are most intimately connected with the corps, they will probably re-enlist.

Lieutenant Martin is at present out of town on a trip for his firm through Placer and El Dorado counties. On account of his absence the annual meeting of the corps, for the election of civil officers and appointment of committees, was postponed till January 12.

The regular annual meeting of the Signal Corps, Third Brigade, was held on the evening of Tuesday, the 12th inst. The reports of the treasurer (Lieutenant Martin), the first sergeant (Bailey) and the secretary (Sergeant Watkins) were submitted to the assembled members. The report of Lieutenant Martin shows the corps to be in a much better condition than it ever has been before. Sergeant Bailey's report showed the average attendance at drills during 1896 to have been very close to 90 per cent. The secretary's report reviewed the work of the previous year and called attention to the fact that the signal corps of the various brigades had led all other branches of the service in efficiency, personnel and general merit, according to reports of the officers in charge of the inspection of 1896. The following committees were appointed for the ensuing year: On examination—Sergeant Bailey, Sergeant Watkins, Corporal Taylor; on finance—Corporal Cosby, Privates Harvey and Leitch. Sergeant Watkins was unanimously re-elected secretary. After the transaction of routine business the members sat down to a little "Dutch" supper provided for the occasion.

WOODLAND, CAL., Jan. 15.—Everything is quiet in military circles in this place. Last Wednesday evening two new members were admitted, and there are two applications on the board to be acted on at the next meeting. The company is in charge of First Lieutenant Ward at present, Captain Prindle being at Oroville on business. A prominent business man of the town has promised the company a flag; so we may expect to see it flying from the new flagpole in the near future. The football team is out practicing every day, and at night hold signal practice in the armory. The team has a game they practice for wind called hand football. The ball can neither be carried nor kicked, but must be advanced by punching or by throwing from one to the other. The team is anxious for some of the other companies to get up teams and then play a series of games for the championship.

The grand annual ball will take place about the 5th of February.

The captain has not as yet found a place suitable for the 300 and 500 yard ranges, and the chances are very slim of the company getting a place for them.

The Sixth Infantry.

MERCED, CAL., Jan. 14.—The members of Company H, Sixth Infantry, have settled down for another year's work after the December holidays and with a determination to make a showing for their time. A class in the drill regulations has been organized, which meets on Tuesday evenings for study and discussion. Sergeant Guthrie has charge of the class. It will take up a study of the drillbook, supplemented by a thorough practical drill and practice in the giving of commands. The object of the class is primarily to fit the students for non-commissioned positions. Later, if a sufficient number desire to take the course, it will be extended to cover the elements of military science.

The resignation of Second Lieutenant D. G. Bambauer has been accepted by the commander-in-chief and the election for a successor is expected to be ordered at an early date.

Much interest is being manifested among the members of the company in the doings of the Legislature, so far as the National Guard is concerned. A member of the company whose service in the National Guard of this and other States extends over a period of fifteen years said to the correspondent the other day: "We are closely watching all propositions brought before the Legislature on our behalf and sincerely hope that whatever action they make take will be tempered with wisdom. I notice some talk of further reorganization.

"The spreading of such ideas will not benefit us in the least. We want more encouragement and attention from our higher officers, and less tinkering with a badly-built code. We have lately been reorganized, and all we need is time to get settled down to the new regime. Undoubtedly there is friction in the First Infantry; further legislation would not help them, but it would hurt us in the interior regiments, for we always suffer from the scramble for offices that is always going on in San Francisco. A few colonels or general officers who would evince a personal interest in their fighting material, and who would stop squabbling over who is the senior or who has the 'pull,' would reorganize a system that needs it more than legislation. The life has nearly been crushed out of the service by red tape bunglingly unwound, and gilt braid profusely given here and there, regardless of military ability. Enlisted men become very tired of being apologized for whenever an occasion presents itself by an epauletted commission-holder. If there is to be any change of law this session, nothing could be better than the proposed changes embodied in the report of the Code Commission."

A TRUE SOLDIER.

Although Badly Shot Up, He Was True to the Old Flag.

A visit from Norman S. Bull, clerk of the Circuit Court for Crawford County, reminded me of a war incident well worth telling. At the battle of the Wilderness, in 1864, Sergeant Bull was shot in the face, the bullet passing from one cheek to the other, tearing off his upper jaw, or so nearly that it hung by a brittle thread, as it were. He walked off the field and in due time brought up at a Washington hospital, remaining there until September, or four months, when he returned to his regiment for duty.

A silver plate had been adjusted to take the place of the upper jaw, but it was painful and worked but poorly. Captain Thomas Kerr, later lieutenant-colonel, was commanding the regiment, and he said to Bull: "For the love of all that's good, Sergeant Bull, what are you back here for?"

"Oh, I came back to go on duty, captain." Then a happy thought struck the captain, and he asked: "Look here, how would you like to be division commissary sergeant? You would have plenty of time there to soak your hard bread and to cook pancakes."

"I guess I'd like that. Can you get it for me?"

"I'll try."

Then Captain Kerr rode over to brigade headquarters and proceeded to business, after this fashion:

"General, Sergeant Bull has come back. As you know, his mouth is all shot to pieces. He can't tear cartridges any more, and to eat hardtack is out of the question. Can you get him in as commissary-sergeant at division headquarters?"

The general squinted, after the fashion when a question that he takes deep interest in comes up before him, and said: "Tom"—he always called Colonel Kerr "Tom" when he didn't call him "Chicken"—"Tom, Sergeant Bull is as good a soldier as the old regiment ever had. Few men would have come back in his condition. I think you ought to recommend him for a commission. He will get along some way with his rations if we can relieve him from cartridge-tearing."

That afternoon a letter left camp signed by Captain Thomas Kerr, commanding the regiment, requesting that Sergeant Norman S. Bull be commissioned a lieutenant.

Two or three weeks later the commission came and he served the balance of the war, or up to Gravelly Run, as an officer. He was wounded at Hatcher's Run in February and again at Gravelly Run the last day of March. He was shot five times, and three of the wounds were serious ones. Those in his face made him a great sufferer for eighteen years, and required so much attention, so much medical skill, that it used up nearly everything he had. It cost the lieutenant something to keep Old Glory in the breeze, but he says that if he "had 1000 lives he'd rather see them laid down than to see that flag come down in disgrace."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Relief Seemed Permanent.

The Doctor—Here's the bill for your husband's treatment. I'll be glad to allow you 20 per cent off for cash.

The Widow—But you said that you would not charge anything if you didn't relieve him.

The Doctor—So I did. Have you heard him complain lately?—Cleveland Leader.

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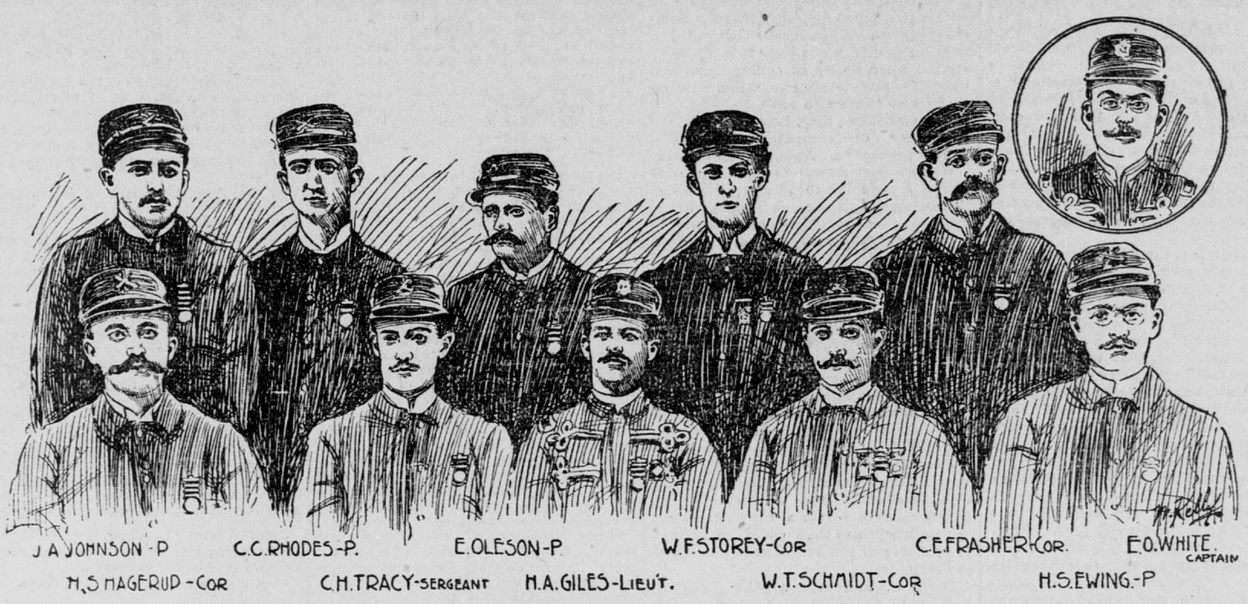

A Group of the Hawaiian National Guards' Best Riflemen Who Participated in a 100-Man Match With a Team From the First Regiment, N. G. C.

MEN WHO KNOW HOW TO SHOOT

Great Interest in the Result of the Hawaiian Match.

The Islanders Confident of Winning the Inter-Republic Trophy.

Military Marksmen and German Sharpshooters at Schuetzen and Shell Mound.

The members of the First Regiment N. G. C. who took part in the big 100-man inter Republic rifle match are waiting with much interest for the scores from the island marksmen. News from Honolulu is expected every day. When the First Regiment's marksmen shot their half of the match on the 10th inst. at the Shell Mound range the weather and wind were against them and the team made but 3952 points out of a possible 5000, or an average of 39.52 points per man. The latest news from the islands is from George Manson, who says:

HONOLULU, HAWAII, Jan. 7.—At this writing much interest is being manifested in this city over the forthcoming international shooting match between the National Guards of California and Hawaii. The management of the affair for the Hawaiian team has been unanimously placed in the hands of Lieutenant-Colonel Fisher, not only because he is one of the best shots in the regiment, but because of his well-known interest in such matters, and his knowledge of the men in his command.

According to present arrangements the Hawaiian team will shoot their end of the match on Saturday, January 9, and the result should reach your city by the steamer Rio Janeiro, leaving here the following day. The various companies composing the regiment have been practicing more or less faithfully at the butts during the past month to see who is to have the honor of getting a place on the team which is to represent these little flyspecks of islands. Colonel Fisher has finally selected the team, with a few vacancies to be filled at the last minute. Those already announced are:

Field and staff—Lieutenant-Colonel Fisher Major Jones Captain Shaefer, Drum-major King and Sergeant-Majors Clay and Elvin.

Company A—Bordfeldt, Duchalsky, Peterson, Edsman.

Company B—Riley, Cummins, Olsen, Schmidt, Giles, Hagerup, Schofield, Frasher, Waity, Bolsier and Captain White.

Company C—Ferreira, Speckman and Captain Camara.

Company D—Burnette, Johnson, Bergstrom, Gere, Amark, Butler, Decker, Charlock, Nott, Smith, Lemon, Macy, Cook, Buchanan, W. Wilder, H. Wilder, McKinnen, Boyd, Smith.

Company F—Florel, Scott, Sproat, Taylor, Gouvea, Middleton, Kiester, Moore, Overbeck, Winant, Seybold, Whitehead, Killbey, Sutton, O'Connor, Miller, Geppert, Moore.

Company F—Gumpfer, Ferey, Johnson, Ludwig, Hanevold, Vollberg, Luahiwa, Fitzsimmons, Hinds, Friedersdorf, Peterson, Bechert, Mulietner, Johnson, Ross, Wallace, Austin.

Company G—Rose, Kelipio, Mahoney, Morse, Rose, Wilcox, Kuliti, Devauchelle, Wallace, Sherwood, Kealoha, Kapai.

Company H—Souza, Costa.

There are ninety-three men in the foregoing list, and two average scores made by them foot up 3996 and 3970 respectively, which will give California marksmen an idea of what they have to beat. Company A does not possess many good shots, being composed mainly of men working on the Government dredger. Company B is represented in the team by ten men, all good shots. Company C is composed mostly of Portuguese and has but a very few good shots. Company D has twenty representatives in the team, the largest of any company, out of whom the best marksmen are Burnette and Johnson, both sale forty-four men. Company E has some good shots or Colonel Fisher would not have selected seventeen men from it for his team. There are also some fine shots among the seventeen men selected from Company F. Company G is composed mostly of native Hawaiians, their best shot being Sergeant Rose with forty-two.

In an interview with Colonel Fisher that gentleman told THE CALL correspondent, in response to a question as to what he thought of Hawaii's chances in the coming match, that he thought the islanders would win, although it would be by a very narrow margin. "I rely on our general average," said the colonel. "While we have no phenomenal shots like the California team, still we may make a better showing."

AT SCHUETZEN PARK.

A Lively Competition for Twenty-Five Cash Prizes Presented by Captain F. Schumann.

Shooting began earlier than usual at Schuetzen Park yesterday. A representative body of marksmen lined up in front of the Grutli ranges soon after 9 o'clock to take part in the first grand prize-shooting contest of the new year, which is held periodically under the auspices of F. Schumann, the park proprietor.

Something like $150 was offered in cash prizes, ranging all the way from $25 to $1. There were twenty-nine prizes in all.

With the exception of forty-five minutes' intermission at midday, firing was continued without ceasing until 5:30 P. M., when the rapidly waning light made it necessary to close the ranges.

Four shots were allowed per man at the twenty-five-ring target and the rules of the California Schuetzen Club governed the contest. Following are the prize-winners and their respective scores:

D. W. McLaughlin 93, J. Utschig 91, A. Strecker 90, F. Attinger 90, F. P. Schuster 89, C. Thierbach 89, A. Gehret 88, A. Breuss 87, D. B. Faktor 86, L. Ritzau 86, F. A. Kuhls 86, A. Jungbiut 85, T. J. Carroll 85, P. Jacoby 85, L. Bendell 85, J. Jones 84, P. Brunotti 84, C. J. Walden 84, A. Batleson 84, R. Langer 84, J. Fetz 83, O. Bremer 82, J. Straub 81, J. Stanton 81, J. F. Robinson 81.

First bullseye, forenoon, Captain F. Attinger; last bullseye, forenoon, L. C. Babin; first bullseye, afternoon, Captain F. Attinger; last bullseye, afternoon, J. Utschig.

The California Schuetzen Club held its initial bullseye shoot of the new year, the attendance of members being more than ordinarily large. No very sensational centers were made, however, though the average scoring was fairly good. A. Utschig headed the list of monthly winners with a center of 97 points, and some distance behind him came Messrs. Jacoby and Rahwyler with 124 and 172 points respectively.

The complete scores are as follows:

Paul Brunotti 707, F. Attinger 632, P. Jacoby 124, H. Kuhls 1324, L. C. Babin 1012, J. Wollmer 1612, J. Jones 439, C. Sagehorn 1503, H. Schroeder 1903, P. F. Schuster 1459, C. Nobman 1092, R. Stettin 401, A. N. Boyen 1306, R. Langer 2372, D. C. Babin 2119, A. Jungbiut 572, T. Kunls 1332, Nolden 2693, C. Egang 975, J. Utschig 808, Walden 1505, J. Fitz 723, C. Thierbach 1875, A. Breuss 785, A. Bartleson 412, A. Genret 1520, Dr. Riehl 980, D. W. McLaughlin 733, T. J. Carroll 906, W. Ehrenpfort 1700, J. B. Turner 915, L. Bendel 1898, A. Utschig 97, D. B. Faktor 794, J. Straub 1515, J. C. Walter 415, Kuliman cadet, 749, A. Hampel 1584, M. Reubold 983, A. Strecker 1411, A. Reubold 946, L. Reubold 1309, L. Ritzau 1079, O. Bremer 1707, A. Rahwyler 172, F. Muller 789, H. Eckman 1723, F. Mason 579, J. F. Robinson 439.

The first monthly medal shoot of the San Francisco Turner Schuetzen was rendered memorable by a close and spirited contest for supremacy between J. Utschig and Philo Jacoby. The former led his opponent until 3 P. M. with a score of 420 rings, but Jacoby eventually emerged a winner by one ring. Following are the scores:

Champion class—1, Philo Jacoby, 421; 2, J. Utschig, 420. First class—1, Fred Kommer, 364; 2, Joseph Straub, 350. Second class—1, Charles Nielsen, 371; 2, Charles Randolph, 336. Third class—Joseph Gassner, 320. First best shot, F. Kommer, 24; last best shot, L. Thierbach, 25.

The result of the same club's annual medal shooting for the past year was as follows:

Champion class, John Utschig; first class, L. Thierbach; second class, L. Brune; third class, Henry Stieber; first best shot, R. Finking; last best shot, Captain F. Attinger.

MILITARY MARKSMEN.

First and Fifth Regiment Musket Shots at the Shell Mound Range.

There was a fair representation of marksmen at the Shell Mound rifle range yesterday, but they were all of the military order. During most of the day the light was bright; too bright, in fact, to be satisfactory, for it frequently caused a blur on the sights and bullseyes.

Companies A and F of the Fifth Regiment were well represented and the shooting was up to the average. It is said that the marksmen of the Fifth have placed a chip upon the regiment's shoulder, so to speak, which they would like to see the best men of the First knock off. Before the last team shoot of the First's crack team of 100 men, which took place last Sunday in the inter-republic match with the Hawaiian National Guard, the best shots of the Fifth stated that they would like to meet the pick of the First, provided the latter did not go over 40 average.

As the average was less than that number of points the men of the Fifth believe that they are in a position to meet on equal terms the regiment that has put forth so many good musket shots in the past. Arrangements for a team match between the two regiments may be made before very long.

Possibly with such an event in view the men of Companies A and F were out to warm up more than usual yesterday. Of course the more experienced marksmen held their own, and more than this, they put in more time coaching the lesser lights in marksmanship. The scores of the two companies in their monthly medal shoots, ten shots, military target, were as follows:

Company A, Fifth Regiment—Bodwell 33, Kohler 27, Gusmore 27, Cron 12, Langford 23, Corporal Tait 35, Corporal McGill 40, Sergeant Brin 39, King 35, C. D. Smith 22, Glass 12, C. Puckett 39, Fellows 18, Corporal Littlefield 38, G. W. Puckett 38, R. K. McKillican 33, J. Ellis 34, McComps 19, G. W. Brown 37, Lieutenant Vaughn 39, A. Jannigan 40, H. Taber 37, Sergeant Downie 44, Sergeant Dixon 18, Captain Poulter 45, C. Poulter 33, C. H. Ellis 35, V. Brink 40, J. Moller 2, C. Brown 29.

Company F, Fifth Regiment—Wells 41, Stocking 39, A. Sears 40, J. Brewer 39, Magennis 37, Reed 37, Howland 36, Peterson 36, Nickerson 36, Miller 33, Rowe 33, Bennett 34, Lieut. Wenk 37, Mudge 33, W. Griffin 34, Sutgen 32, Laballister 30, Cary 30, A. Harrison 31, A. D. Wilson 29, Cobbledick 45, R. Hansen 43, Carney 39, A. W. Blakely 39, Mitchell 35, Darling 37, Bray 29, Withern 26, C. P. Griffin 26, C. W. Scott 27, F. Parsons 25, A. Brewer 22, Crone 14, McMillan 11, Whalte 19, Davis 21, Weylen 22, Heffernan 4, Stevenson 32, Schwarting 33, W. G. Leonard 41.

The attendance at the regular monthly contests for medals of the City Guard, Company B, was as good as usual. As a rule this company has a full representation at every contest and the scores taken as a whole are above the average. Those made yesterday were all good, but no very brilliant performances marked the event. The scores were as follows:

Company B, City Guards, First Regiment—H. C. Taylor 42, C. Lindecker 39, C. Finn 44, G. Heizman 40, G. Sullivan 44, J. R. Wear 40, George Claussenius 40, S. Roberts 34, A. E. Hapthorpe 33, J. Miller 32, A. McCulloch 41, W. King 41, E. B. Peppin 40, M. Zan 32, Captain G. Filmer 41, E. L. Filmer 40, T. Woods 38.

For several weeks there has been a private match brewing among four of the better shots of the City Guards (Company B), and after the company contest yesterday the men went to work to see which side would carry off a $50 purse, which was to go to the winners. The conditions were that G. Claussenius and G. Heizman were to shoot against C. Perry and C. Lindecker a match of fifty shots each on equal terms. The odd feature was that the names of the first two are George and the last two Charles, and yesterday they were spoken of as the George and Charley teams. As seen by the annexed scores, in strings of ten shots, totals and grand totals, the Georges won by six points, or 419 to 413 out of a possible 500:

George Claussenius	42	43	45	42	41	213
George Heizman	41	39	41	43	42	206
Total						419
Charles Perry	47	47	44	44	45	227
Charles Lindecker	36	35	36	40	39	186
Total						413

NAME CHANGING IS COMMON.

Swedes, Like Witness in the Bram Case, Take a New Name When They Wish.

With regard to legal and street talk on the name or names of the helmsman of the barkentine Herbert Fuller it is timely and interesting to note what an authoritative writer on Sweden says about the custom of changing names in that country. The helmsman in the Bram murder trial is known by at least two names, Justus Leopold Westberg and Charlie Brown. He has said that he took the latter name because certain persons found the former hard or inconvenient to pronounce, and this averred change of cognomen has recently raised up considerable discussion if not suspicion.

Charlie Brown's explanation is supported in general by the following extract from "Pictures of Life in Sweden," by Mrs. Woods Baker, printed in New York in 1894. Beginning on page 117, her book runs:

"You must never look askance at a Swede in America because he has changed his name, even two or three times, before he has been fairly satisfied with his selection. There is no shadow with him of an alias that has left bad deeds behind it in the old country or the new. So the Swede has seen men of respectability do at home, without reproach or rebuke; so many nobleman have done so on being ennobled. Linnæus became Carl von Linne, and Swedenborg's father was Bishop Swedborg.

"The frequency of the names ending in 'son' and the prevalence of some of them create great confusion in schools and universities and even in the army and navy among soldiers and sailors.

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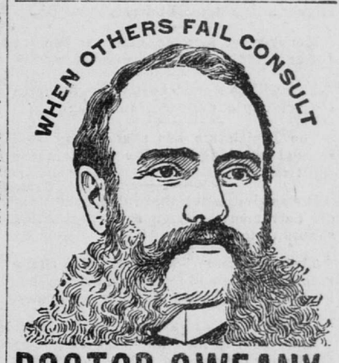

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