

MAY HAVE 9,000 MEN QUARTERED IN TORONTO

That Is Expectation Before the
Second Contingent
Leaves.

FIRST INOCULATION

Will Be Completed To-morrow
— Three Regiments
Coming.

The first inoculation of the men at the Exhibition camp will be concluded by to-morrow. The men of the 19th and 20th Battalions have gone before the doctors, and the men of the Artillery, Field Ambulance, Mounted Rifles, Cyclists, and Army Service Corps, will receive the injection to-day and to-morrow.

The second dose will be given in ten days, and will be followed by a third. The first dose consists of about 7 drops of the fluid, containing 250 million germs; the second dose, 500 million germs, and the third dose, 1,000 million germs. Ten doctors conduct the work, making an injection on a new man every two minutes. A new needle is used each time, and every care is taken. There has been practically no reaction, only 25 men in a thousand experience any effect at all. The men have suffered more from nervousness before the actual operation than anything else. The men are being excused from heavy drill as a precaution.

Three More Regiments.

Three more infantry regiments, or approximately 3,300 men, and two cavalry squadrons, or 250 men, are to be concentrated at the Exhibition, according to the report from Ottawa, and details are expected shortly by the military authorities here. This will make a total of 5,800 infantrymen at the Exhibition, including the two battalions already mobilized.

In addition, another battery of Field Artillery is to be raised in Toronto, which means 150 more men.

May Have 10,000.

Military authorities figured that the Exhibition Camp would nicely accommodate 5,000 infantrymen, and the other details that go to make up an army, but now the capacity of the Exhibition seems to be in danger of being overtaxed. With new details continually being formed, it seems probable that some 9,000 men will be quartered in Toronto before the second contingent leaves.

Equipment For Mounted Rifles.

Equipment is being issued to the Mounted Rifle Regiment as rapidly as possible. After passing the medical examination the men are issued new underwear, socks, boots, and great coats. They are then required to take a bath and again go before the doctors, before the rest of the equipment is issued. Lieut.-Col. Vaux Chadwick, commander of the Mounted Rifles, to-day explained the nature of his regiment, in view of the popular misunderstanding. Mounted Rifles are cavalry soldiers armed with rifles and trained to the use of files as their principal weapon. Mounted infantry are fully trained infantry mounted for locomotion while cavalry are trained for shock action.

Major R. K. Barker, of the headquarters staff, was the judge this afternoon in the Strathcona competition of physical training at De La Salle Institute open to the Separate schools. Major Barker inspected the Toronto Teachers Rifle Association, and the St. Andrews' Society Rifle Association at the Armouries this afternoon, and to-morrow will inspect the Harbord Rifle Association at the Armouries in the afternoon and the North-West Field Force at night. All Toronto rifles associations must show efficiency before they are issued rifles and ammunition. The Consumers' Gas Company Rifle Association, numbering 450, made a splendid showing. Their force can be mobilized in one hour, 250 men being available at any hour of the day or night. The Osgoode Hall Association proved a well drilled organization.

Boots Not Seasoned?

Some surprise was expressed to-day by military men in connection with the criticism made of the boots of the first contingent by the London Times. The only explanation given was that perhaps the boots were issued so soon after manufacture that they had not been given the necessary seasoning.

The boots of the second contingent are proving highly satisfactory. As soon as they are issued, they are greased. Following the ten-mile march of the Exhibition men last week, it was found that no cases of sore feet were caused by the boots. The only trouble was from an issue of socks which were found to pucker up, and these were sent back to Ottawa. The boots are sold to officers at cost, \$3.90, and it is said that they could not be purchased in a store for less than \$5 or \$6.

It is probable that the 80 odd prisoners in **Stanley Barracks** will be removed, which will give the military authorities more room. It is said that a scheme is under way to put the men to work in Algonquin Park, while they might be used in road work. The prisoners come under the charge of General Sir William Otter.

Private Taylor, of the 20th Battalion, will be the bridegroom in a military wedding at St. John's Church, Portland street, to-night. Rev. J. Russell McLean will conduct the service, and Private Taylor's company will attend in a body.

About 25 officers of the Exhibition camp were entertained by the Lieut.-Governor, Hon. J. S. Hendrie, at dinner last night.

It is proposed to raise one of the new infantry regiments in Northern Ontario, with Sudbury the probable headquarters.