

# TO INSPECT VALCARTIER

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## Major Deroche Leaves Ottawa to Look Over Camp Ground

Ottawa, March 15.—Major Deroche, assistant director of engineering, left for Valcartier today, to enquire into the conditions of the camp ground and also for the purpose of inspecting the buildings erected there in connection with the mobilization and training of the first overseas division. As Petawawa camp is being used by the justice department for the purpose of interning aliens it is probable that all future mobilizations during the present year will take place at Valcartier.

Major Deroche will report to the Minister of Militia on his return and any necessary repairs or additions to the housing facilities, etc., at Valcartier will be completed in ample time for use on the arrival of troops there next month.

The ranges at Valcartier are the finest and most complete that can be found at any military camp ground in the world. The first contingent at these ranges acquired the very high degree of proficiency in rifle shooting

which has already earned for them an enviable record at the front. The second contingent has had comparatively little opportunity for extended rifle practice, especially in the west where weather conditions have been adverse and facilities few. Valcartier affords facilities for not only rifle practice, but for long range artillery shooting as well.