

TO REVIVE 96TH

Col. S. C. Young to be Officer Commanding With Staff of Overseas Officers.

The revival of the old Lake Superior regiment of militia, known as the 96th battalion, is being arranged for by Brigadier General Hill, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., and it is proposed that it shall be officered by the officers of the 52nd overseas battalion and the officers of other local units which went to France, including the 94th, 141st and others to which this district contributed companies. It is hoped to have a strong nucleus for the reorganized battalion composed of men who have seen overseas service.

Col. S. C. Young will be officer commanding and will have associated with him Major Jack Young and other overseas officers. The expectation is that, before long, it will be possible to change the number of the 96th to the 52nd, a number which has many old associations for the men at the head of the lakes, the 52nd militia battalion being a Quebec unit which has no overseas record. At present,

however, Col. Young points out, the 96th is the only militia battalion which exists upon which the new unit can be built up, and it would involve considerable delay to wait for the official change from one number, to another. It will be recollected that Col. Foster, of the 52nd, on his arrival here from overseas, expressed himself as strongly of the opinion that any militia battalion that was organized at the head of the lakes should perpetuate the number of the "fighting 52nd."

Probabilities