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CANADIAN TROOPS MARCHING THROUGH LONDON STREET

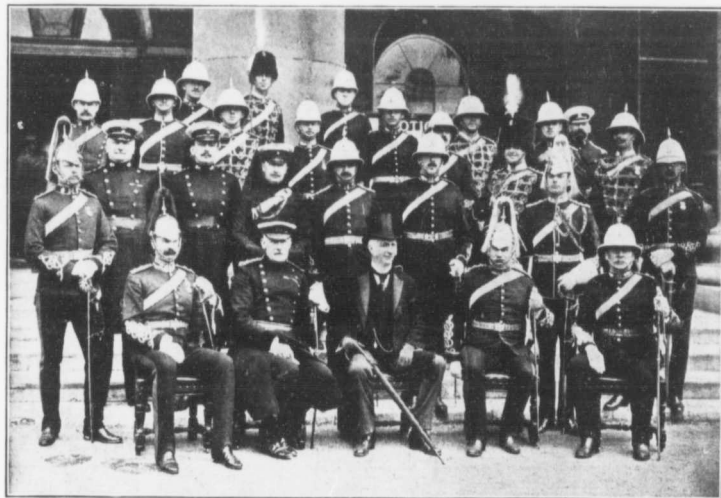


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CANADIAN OFFICERS IN LONDON. IN CENTRE IS SIR FREDERICK BORDON, A FORMER MINISTER OF THE MILITIA.

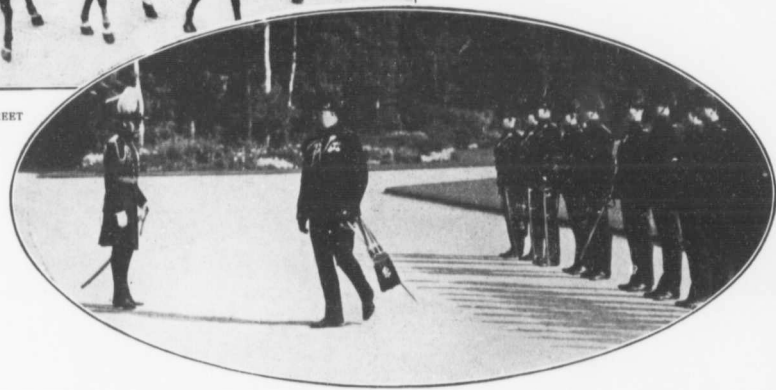


battles with bows and arrows, and stormings of forest barricades. Along a frontier of a thousand miles in the great forest, the Canadian Forces had their first lessons in the art of war.

The Red River campaign, in 1870, was caused by a rising of French half-breed voyageurs and buffalo runners, led by Louis Riel, who proclaimed a Republic at Fort Garry. A British regular colonel led a Canadian and British expedition on a four-hundred-mile march through very difficult wilderness, to smash Mr. Riel's Republic.

Mr. Smith—who became Lord Strathcona

Meanwhile, the rebels had a Mr. Smith as prisoner at Fort Garry. Though under constant threat of death, he boldly advised the leaders as to their policy. His advice convinced them that they were certain to be hanged. So when the Expedition arrived, they found



THE KING INSPECTS CANADIANS AT BALMORAL CASTLE.

Photo. Ernest Brooke.

scalps, when I come to New York, will sell for twenty-four good pounds; with this I'll be right merry and my wife right beau.' Afterwards the three captured a French sloop and made Louisberg, and one of them, Major Stobo, was Wolfe's guide in scaling the Heights of Abraham."

I cite that anecdote because it illustrates the old style of Indian warfare.

It is from the early wars of Canada that we get our adventure books for boys about the sieges of forlorn log forts, ferocious Redskins, scalplings, burnings at the stake,

the rebels fled, and Mr. Smith in sole possession of the enemy's stronghold. Afterwards, Mr. Smith came to be better known as Lord Strathcona, the Colonel commanding the Expedition became Field-Marshal Viscount Wolseley. Fort Garry on the Red River is now Winnipeg, capital of the Province of Manitoba.

After the Red River comedy, Canada raised a regiment now famous throughout the world, her Royal Mounted Police. It is a military force for civil duty, dressed as cavalry, armed as mounted infantry,