

a standard from the enemy, and made prisoner, with his own hands, the commander of the French regiment.

The sold marshal stopped his horse, and taking the iron cross from his own uniform, and affixing it, with his own hands, to the breast of the young man, said, with a cheerful voice, and with that strange expression of his large bright eyes: 'Well done, my son! 'I know I was right—IN BURNING THEM THERE ARE NO RUNAWAYS.

PRESENTATION OF A SWORD.

On Wednesday evening last Major Seale, Carleton Battalion Volunteer Infantry, late of No. 1 Ottawa Rifles, was presented, at his rooms on Rideau street, Ottawa, by the non-commissioned officers of No. 1 Rifles, with a handsome and really valuable infantry field officer's sword, bearing the following inscription, neatly engraved by Mr. George Cox:—

Presented to Capt. George Seale, No. 1 Company, Ottawa Volunteer Rifles, as a mark of esteem, by the non-commissioned officers of the Company, on his promotion to be Major of the 43rd Battalion, Carleton Volunteer Infantry, Ottawa, January, 1867.

A large number of the friends of Major Seale were present, amongst whom were several officers in uniform. We noticed Lt. Col. Wily, Lieut. Col. Collin, Major Thomas Ross, Major Anderson, Captain Smythe, 100th Regt., Lieut. La Touche, 100th Regt., Lieut. Arkwright, 100th Regt., Capt. M. J. May, No. 1 Ottawa Rifles, Lieut. Clomow, No. 3 Battery, Mr. W. P. Lett, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Bouchette, Mr. G. Bouchette, Mr. C. Higgins, Mr. Mosgrove, Mr. Brown, Mr. Aumont, Mr. Barber and others.

The address was read by Mr. E. C. Barber, late Color-Sergeant of No. 1, and is as follows:

ADDRESS.

MAJOR SEALE,

DEAR SIR,—We the non-commissioned officers, lately under your command in No. 1 Company, Ottawa Rifles, have learned with much satisfaction of the recognition of your merits by your promotion as Major of the Carleton Battalion of Volunteer Infantry, and offer you our heartiest congratulations thereon. During the time you were connected with No. 1, you endeared yourself to all by your courtesy, and by your thorough knowledge of drill you gained our confidence and esteem. On the late occasion when the Volunteers were called out for active service our company proceeded to Cornwall and formed a part of the Administrative Battalion located at that point. While stationed there every effort was made by you to add to the comfort of the men and increase their efficiency, and so successful were your efforts, in conjunction with others, that the two Ottawa Rifle Companies elicited the highest encomiums from the officers in command—for their steadiness in drill and general efficiency. As a mark of our esteem, and as memento of your connection with No. 1, we beg your acceptance of this sword. While regretting that No. 1 will lose your valuable services, we cannot but congratulate the Carleton Battalion on acquiring the aid of so competent an officer. Should the occasion ever arise we feel sure that you will be foremost to lead the gallant men of Carleton to do battle in

defence of "our altars and our homes" and that this sword, once drawn, will never be sheathed in dishonor. With our earnest wishes for your continued prosperity, and that you may long be spared to wear this sword.

We remain,

Your sincere friends,
Alex. Stewart,
Joseph H. Patterson,
Edward C. Barber,
Robert Hinton,
John Bennet,
Ranald Stewart,
James Hickey.

Major Seale replied in feeling terms. He alluded to his experience as a Volunteer officer when No. 1 were on active service at Cornwall in June last. He did not feel that he deserved the handsome present of which he had just been made the recipient. He certainly did all he could for the comfort and happiness of the men when on duty, yet he did not expect this kind return. He would regard it as a souvenir of the past, and as a proof that his humble efforts in behalf of those under his command were appreciated. Should another invasion come upon our free soil he had every confidence in the loyalty and courage of No. 1 to respond as they had done to their country's call. He concluded by again expressing his heartfelt thanks for the handsome present, and inviting all in the room to partake of wine and refreshments.

The company were then entertained in the most hospital and kindly manner, and a very pleasant time was spent in discussing the choice wines and the like provided on the spot by Major Seale.

COMPLIMENTARY SUPPER TO THE COLBORNE VOLUNTEERS, BY THE LADIES OF COLBORNE AND VICINITY.

Condensed from the Colborne Express.

On Thursday evening last the ladies of this village and vicinity entertained Captain Vars' Company, No. 7, 40th Battalion Volunteers, with a complimentary supper in the Town Hall. During the day the fair sex had a busy time in preparing for the event, and nothing was left undone that could give eclat to the occasion. Our village ladies are proverbial for patriotism and enterprise of this character, and in this instance have "excelled themselves." Their names deserve to be printed in letters of gold for the noble efforts which they have made, and which they have so successfully carried out, to do honor to the "lads in the scarlet coats;" but, in all sincerity, we refrain from giving prominence to any person or persons in the premises—all having worked with a zeal worthy of the cause in which they were engaged.

The Hall presented a brilliant appearance, in consequence of the elaborate decorations—consisting of artistically executed mottoes and miniature flags; streamers, portraits of martial men, piled arms, &c., &c. The tables, however, were the centre of admiration.

One remarkable feature of the "spread" was the substitution of sparkling water for the too popular stong drink usually seen at such festive gatherings; and, let us hope, that on all future occasions of this or a similar kind, in this village at least, the noble precedent laid down by our ladies will be strictly adhered to. But we must not pen a temperance homily.

At seven o'clock the honored volunteers and invited guests commenced flocking in large

numbers, accompanied by their wives, daughters, and sweethearts, until, in a very short time, the Hall was literally crammed. The band having discoursed sweet music, and the volunteers, guests, and others being seated, the Chairman, J. M. Grover, Esq., discharged the various preliminary duties devolving upon such functionaries. The vice-chairs were occupied by G. W. Webb, Donald Robertson, and H. N. Casey, Esqs.

Amongst the guests we noticed Lieut. Col. Patterson, Brigade-Major of District, (who occupied a seat on the right of the chairman), Lt. Col. Smith, and Captain and Adjutant Smith, of the 40th Battalion, from Cobourg; Capt. Rogers from Grafton; Capt. Webb from Brighton; Col. Donald Campbell and Major Webb of the Sedantary Militia; &c., &c.

After ample justice had been done to the good things provided by hands "the fairest of the fair," the programme of the evening was proceeded with by the Chairman giving the usual loyal toasts, which were enthusiastically received.

"The Army and Navy, coupled with the Volnadian Volunteers," was next proposed, and responded to by Lieut. Col. Smith.

Then followed, "The Brigade-Major of this District."

Drank with "three times three," and song, "For he's a jolly good fellow."

The Brigade-Major responded, complimenting the ladies in very humorous terms for their zeal in the Volunteer cause, and thanking them for the honor they conferred on him by their invitation, and also referred to the necessity for having a drill shed in Colborne.

Next came the toast of the evening, "The Colborne Volunteers."

Responded to by Capt. Vars. Song by Lieut. Crozier, "Canadian Volunteers," in which the ladies also joined.

Mr. Vice-Chairman Robertson proposed the next toast, "The Sedentary Militia of Canada."

Major Webb responded. Mr. Vice-Chairman Casey then gave, "Our invited Volunteer guests from other places." Drank with all the honors.

Responses from Ccl. Smith, Capt. Rogers, Capt. Smith and Capt. Webb.

"The Press of Canada," by the Chairman. Mr. Keyes, of the 'Colborne Express,' responded.

BRIGADE PARADE.—The Ottawa Provisional Brigade of Volunteer Garrison Artillery paraded at the Drill Shed on Monday evening last. After a preliminary drill, the Brigade went out for a march, during which it performed several manœuvres very satisfactorily.

GARRISON ARTILLERY.—There is to be a parade of the Ottawa Provisional Brigade of Volunteer Garrison Artillery on Thursday afternoon, the 24th inst., at 1 p. m. It is hoped that every non-commissioned officer and gunner will be present on the occasion of the first public parade of the Brigade.

At a recent meeting of the McHale Circle in New York, 'Captain' O'Shea, an individual who was recently discharged from Mountjoy Prison, Dublin, stoutly denied the imputation that Stephens is a British spy or in the pay of or conniving with that government, and stated that by force of circumstances at least he is compelled to remain in New York, and that on the occasion of the departure of the last steamer from that port for Franco Stephens was without the funds to pay his passage, and went, by appointment, to the pier for the purpose of meeting a friend who was to furnish the money. His friend failed to put in an appearance, and Stephens was compelled to return to his lodgings where he now is, in that city.