

measur in the ranks was especially noteworthy and deserving of praise. As an American remarked, "but for the unassuming look of the officers and the absence of enoblish airs, the battalion would have passed for a regiment of Regulars." At 11 45 Col. Atcherly, D. A. A. G., and Col. Jackson, B. M., arrived on the ground when the whole force was drawn up in line on the parade ground, two companies from Gananoque having arrived, and the Regulars stationed here also filing an appearance. The line numbered 200 files or 400 men, the whole under the command of Col. Jessup, Captain Welch acting as Major, our old friend Major White being too dangerously ill to be present. The following were the companies present, viz: Gananoque Artillery, Major Jones; Gananoque Rifles, Capt. McCrum; Brockville Artillery, Capt. Worsley; Miller's Corners Company, Capt. Johnston; The Ottawa and Prescott Railway Company, Capt. Dettlor; Prescott Nos. 1 and 2 Rifles under Captain Armstrong and Lieut. Reynolds, respectively and the R. C. Rifles under Lieut. Lowe.

At noon a thundering boom from the Fort opened the Royal salute, and in the intervals the *feu de joie* rattled along the line. The salute, under the direction of Quartermaster Stoddart was well effected, every gun shaking the Fort to its centre, the effect being terrible as well as grand. Any deficiency in the *feu de joie* may be attributed to some companies having the breech-loaders, while the rest had the more clumsy Enfield. After "presenting arms," the line broke into open column, right in front, and marched past in slow time, wheeling very well, marching steadily and in good time, and keeping their dressing as well as could be expected. They then closed to quarter distance column, and marched past in an equally creditable manner, except as to distance; some of the officers in command judging quarter distance any thing but correctly. The companies performed some evolutions admirably, the "manual exercise" motions being perfection itself. After a complimentary address from Col. Atcherly, the battalion was dismissed, to meet at 1 p.m. for lunch, as announced in the programme of proceedings.

This "luncheon," for which the committee appropriated a large portion of the subscription, was more like a sumptuous dinner than a hasty repast. The tables were set in the large Skating Rink lately erected by Capt. Armstrong, and groaned beneath the weight of viands, refreshing delicacies, and delicate refreshments. Col. Jackson, the Mayor and Town Council, the officers of the several Companies on parade, (the R. C. S. excepted) and a few honored guests, occupied one of the tables, and the volunteers were promiscuously but comfortably seated at the others. After storming the breast works of enemy, a concentrated fire was opened on the *glaciers* of the enemy, so called from the close resemblance of their armour to Labatt's quart bottles. The Mayor of the Town, Macneil Clarke, Esq., was called on for an address,

to which he responded in a speech characterized alike by its inspiring sentiments, pleasing deliverance, and vigorous eloquence, reaching and warming, without any 4th of July braggadocio or highfalutinism, the hearts of the hearers. Col. Atcherly and Brigade Major Jackson addressed the company in speeches received with the enthusiastic cheers which Volunteers alone know how to give.

At 7 p.m. the earthquake salute from Fort Wellington again shook the country, and may the reverberations long echo far and wide "success to Confederation." In the grand torchlight procession and magnificent display of fire work, the Volunteers appeared only as spectators, and I must say as the most orderly and joyous of them. There is matter calling for notice, to overlook which would be to make an oversight and do violence to my feelings—I refer to the want of unity of interest, cordiality, or even civility, to the want of co-operation or absence of reciprocal intercourse and mutual assistance, between regulars and volunteers, when the two come together on parade. It was a noticeable feature of the proceedings on this day, that a Volunteer battery of Artillery had to ride all night, in open waggons over a rough road, to be here to fire a sunrise salute out of guns within arm's reach of which regulars were sleeping. It was likewise remarkable that the lieutenant in command of the regulars took his command when in line and battalion with the Volunteers from the D. A. A. G., and not from the Colonel immediately in command, thus spoiling the effect of every movement. It was no less noticeable that the R. C. Rifles, although kindly invited, took no part in the procession and were not present at the dinner. I do not believe that junior officers, as a general thing, are impolitic or devoid of discretion, but another parade might lead me to suspect that there might creep into the mess one imprudently enoblish and conceited with an unfounded idea of vast superiority, if not unequalled perfection. On this you may hear more anon.

THE 1ST AT GODERICH.—The *Star* says:—The Goderich Township and Bayfield Companies arrived early in teams, and the Exeter and Clinton Companies came on the excursion train. The Seaforth Company had engaged their teams before it was known their would be a special train. Their arrival took place about 10.30. They were marched to the drill shed and their supplied with refreshments. The following is the parade: No. 1, Goderich Garrison Artillery, Capt. Kirk, Lieut. Thomson, 2nd Lieut. Skimings, 4 Sergeants and 25 privates. No. 2, Huron Rifles, Capt. Hays, 4 Sergeants and 30 privates. Lieut. Davison, of this Company, was acting Adjutant, and Ensign Ferguson was placed in command of the Goderich Township Company, the officers of that company not having received their uniforms. No. 3, Seaforth Infantry, Capt. Bull, Lieut. McPhillips, Ensign Wilson, two Sergeants, 25 privates. No. 4, Clinton Infantry, Capt. Murray, Lieut. Dinsley, Ensign Grigg, 3 Sergeants and 37 privates. No. 5, Byfield Infantry, Capt. W. W. Connor, Lieut. Jackson, Ensign Woods, 3 Sergeants, 36 privates. No. 6, Exeter Infantry, Capt. Hyndman, Lieut. Spackman, Ensign Howard, 3 Serjts, and 40 privates. No. 7, Goderich Township

Infantry, Lieut. Shepherd, Ensign Cantelon, 3 Sergeants and 32 privates. The Battalion was commanded by Lieut. Col. Ross. Line having been formed, the men were marched to the North-west side of the square, to fire the *feu de joie*. The Volunteers having taken up their position on the bank in front of Sheriff McDonald's, the guns of the *Prince Alfred* belched forth a Royal Salute of 21 guns, after which the same number of guns were fired from "Bess" in the "fort" on the hill, which was gallantly done by a detachment of the Goderich Artillery Company. At the same time the Volunteers fired a *feu de joie*. The usual cheers were then given, after which the military marched off to the Review ground, where they were put through Battalion drill for a couple of hours. Some of the country companies were of course rather behind in this, but they are composed of the right material, and if they only had a little more practice, there is little doubt they would rival some of the town companies.

CELEBRATION AT CAYUGA.—The Celebration of the New Dominion of Canada at Cayuga, on Monday last, was, in most particulars, a success—especially the display made by the 37th Battalion Haldimand Rifles, Lieutenant Colonel Davis commanding. The Battalion came out in almost its full strength (with the exception of the Dunnville company, which was permitted to remain in that village) and was certainly one of the best displays of the volunteers we ever saw on a holiday occasion. In point of physique and appearance, the 37th cannot be surpassed by any Battalion in Canada, and its movements on the field would do no discredit to much older soldiers; and the officers were not behind the men in their endeavors to do honor to the occasion and themselves. The Colonel was ubiquitous, and he was well seconded by his Majors, the Adjutant, and all other officers calling forth the highest praise from all. After a most fatiguing drill of two or three hours, including the firing of the *feu de joie*, the Battalion formed square in front of a wagon containing the Chairman of the day, John C. Stevenson, Esq., Judge of the County Court, who, after a few appropriate and well-timed preliminary remarks, read the Proclamation forming the New Dominion of Canada, which Act he eulogized very highly, and then called upon Colonel Davis to speak, who did so to good purpose, as he said his men were worn down with the heat and exercise, and wished to retire for refreshments. These sentiments were fully endorsed by all, and after three cheers for the "Queen," three for the "New Dominion of Canada," three for "Judge Stevenson," "Colonel Davis," "Majors Thompson and Scoble," and the "Committee of arrangement," the Battalion marched, headed by its excellent Brass Band, to the Agricultural Grounds, where refreshments in abundance had been provided for the occasion, but unfortunately, by some mismanagement, were not properly distributed to the troops, so that a couple of companies had to go back to the hotels and supply themselves at their own expense, which we trust will be made up to them. We have neither space nor time to enter into full details, but will close by saying that the inauguration of the New Dominion, in Cayuga witnessed one of the largest and most respectable crowds of people ever seen there, and that it will be a day long to be remembered by all who participated in its enjoyments.—*Sachem*.