

head boys and others who, if this paper is carried on, as we hope it will be, will become editors, secretaries, etc., who seem to have no interest in the affairs of the College, and no desire to uphold and support the college institutions, of which this paper is without doubt one of the most important. It cannot be from lack of funds, for where is the boy who cannot raise 75 cents to pay for his college paper? and therefore we are forced to conclude that it is from lack of patriotism and interest, and a spirit of "don't care."

THE RIFLE COMPANY.

According to announcement the Christmas number of the *TIMES* contains a photo-engraving of the Rifle Company, and in this article accompanying it, it is proposed to give a brief sketch of the history of the Company from its earliest days.

Although with the limited time at our disposal our researches were necessarily far from exhaustive, we were enabled to find out the following facts which may be of interest:—

In 1863 it was that the Company first existed. For some years, however, it was no more than a sort of drill class having no uniforms and taking part in no parades. The Company was then armed with muzzle-loading Snider rifles. Some years later they adopted a uniform like that of the Queen's Own and in '66, during the Fenian Raid, set out for the front and joined the Varsity company at Thorold just too late to participate in the battle of Ridgeway. Of the further history we were not able to find any trace.

The second and third, or present, companies will be dealt with in our next issue, lack of time preventing us from investigating the archives any further.

The members of the present company who appear in the picture are as follows, commencing at the left of each rank:—

FRONT RANK.

Wood, Thompson, E. Ryerson, F. C. Denison, Hoblett, Macdonald, Watson, Hewitson, D. Ross, H. Robertson, Capt. F. F. Hunter, Drummers Wright, Maence.

REAR RANK.

R. C. Wilson, Macpherson, C. D. Creighton, A. H. Campbell, Todd, F. Upper (Lieut.), Temple, Magachan, J. A. Ross (Serg.), H. F. Gooderham.

The company has received a large number of additions in the short time since this photo was taken, and is growing rapidly in every way.

A VISIT FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL.

On Thursday afternoon, December 1st, shortly after three o'clock, His Excellency Lord Stanley, accompanied by Lady Stanley, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Dobell and Captain Walsh, A. D. C., drove up to Upper Canada College and were met at the door by Hon. John Beverley Robinson, Chairman of the Board of the College Trustees, and Principal Dickson, who escorted them to the assembly hall, where the boys were all seated awaiting their arrival. On their entering the boys rose and sang one verse of "God Save the Queen," while the vice-regal party advanced to the platform accompanied by the following members of the College faculty: Rev. W. F. Terry, Messrs. Jackson (Dean), Sparling, Hull, Leacock, Nielson, Macdonald, Edgar, Robinson, Holmes, Johnson and Collinson. J. B. Robinson took the chair and gave the visitors a very hearty welcome, but before he had proceeded any distance Masters Warrington and Sparling marched up to the platform and presented two beautiful bouquets of roses, adorned with ribbons to Lady Stanley and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, amid the cheers of the boys.

The Chairman in the course of his remarks said that it was only a short time since the boys had been honoured by a visit from the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, on the day of the distribution of the prizes, and that now they had the additional honour of a visit from the Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada. (great applause). He remembered a similar occasion about 50 years ago when he was a pupil of the College, and their noble founder, Lord Seaton, had visited the institution. That visit had made a deep and lasting impression on him for good, and he desired to assure His Excellency that the present occasion would be productive of good to the present boys. He also said that this College, though still young compared with those of the old country, had turned out many noble men and in their magnificent new building much good work would be done in the future, and closed his remarks with the reiteration of the pleasure