

CANADIAN ITEMS.

MEDICAL COUNCIL.—Dr. Grant M. P. has been unanimously elected President of the Medical Council of Ontario.

Fifty non-commissioned officers and men of the 29th Regiment, under command of Lieut. A. W. Matchett, have been ordered from Chatham to Canada, to augment the strength of the service companies.

It has been stated that the command of the flying column to act on the Western frontier, whose headquarters are at London, will be assumed immediately by Col. Anderson, C. B., of the Royal Artillery.

A gang of desperate scoundrels are operating with energy at Brantford, and robberies are almost of nightly occurrence. Stores and residences have been ransacked, and seven safes were blown open within a few days.

ON THE FRONTIER.—A telegram from Montreal says that a General of the U. S. army is said to be on the frontier between Rouse's Point and Ogdensburg, with instructions from General Grant to ascertain the correctness of reports of Fenian arms being secreted there.

IMPORTANT RUMOR.—It has been rumored on the streets to day, but what the foundation for it is we cannot say, that President Johnson has ordered the disarming of all Fenians throughout the United States, found in a hostile attitude against this country. Right again.—*Chatham Planet*.

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.—The *Whig* says Col. Macdougall, Adjutant General of Militia, arrived in Kingston on Friday night, from the East, and left by the evening boat for Toronto. Col. Macdougall is making a general inspection of the Volunteers' stores at the places he visits. To-day he will attend a meeting of the Ontario Rifle Association at Toronto.

THE FENIANS.—A dispatch from the *Herald's* correspondent at Rouse's Point, dated the 6th, reports the arrival of four cases of arms at that place from Albany. The same dispatch also states that the Fenian leaders have contracted with a large firm at Ogdensburg for the immediate manufacture of thirty thousand pounds of army biscuits, and that other contracts of the same nature have been made elsewhere.

MORE TROOPS FOR CANADA.—We learn from the *Shipping and Mercantile Gazette* that orders were received at Chatham directing five officers and 100 non-commissioned officers and men of the first division Depot Brigade, Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers, and the 20th Regiment, to proceed from the Garrison on Thursday next, and embark at Liverpool on board the Canadian steamer for Canada.

COBourg TROOPS OF CAVALRY.—This fine corps has been performing their annual drill during the past week, and gave to the town a gay and Military appearance for the past few days. On Thursday they visited Port Hope, on invitation, where they were reviewed, together with the Port Hope Cavalry company, by Lieut. Colonel Patterson. The corps never was in a better state of efficiency. The drill will be continued until Wednesday next, when they will be inspected.—*Cobourg Sentinel*.

VOLUNTEERS ATTACKED BY FENIANS.—A telegram from Bothwell, dated June 13th, says: "We have just learned that a party of Volunteers, belonging to Wardsville, Ont., on their way home from drill, were attacked last night by a party of men supposed to be Fenians. The Volunteers were very badly beaten, and one of them is not expected to live. An attempt was made later in the night to break open the drill shed, and get the arms belonging to the Volunteer Company. The inhabitants are in search of the villains."

THE 53RD REGIMENT FOR QUEBEC.—The advance of the 53rd Regiment, with the baggage in charge, started from London by the Great Western Railway this forenoon for Quebec. The main body will follow on Monday, and embark, by steamer at this port. This movement indicates very conclusively that the Government have no further apprehensions of serious difficulty with the Fenians, or either that the design is to let the contract of "cleaning them out" principally to the Volunteers, between which probabilities we leave it to our readers to discriminate.—*Hamilton Times*.

SEIZURE OF ARMS.—The *Montreal Gazette* says. "We learn from St. Albans that the seizure of Fenian arms was made in that place by the U. S. Government yesterday. We are happy to be able to announce this fact. It is an evidence that the U. S. Government is alive to the obligations of comity, its own municipal and international law. These arms at St. Albans are those of which we had authentic information a few days ago, and respecting which we made a publication in the *Gazette*, and also of drilling of Fenian lodges. The seizure of those arms will give the Fenian Conspiracy a serious check."

A RIVER BATTERY FOR CHATHAM.—During Lt. Col. Taylor's visit to Chatham on Tuesday, he signified a willingness on the part of the Government to send a River Battery of two or three large guns for the defence of this section of the country, either on land or on a gunboat to be stationed at or in the vicinity of the mouth of the Thames. Accordingly the Major forwarded a requisition to London by the noon mail that day, and therefore the battery can be expected to arrive at Chatham in a very short time. An instructor of gunnery will accompany them. They are to be manned by men taken from the Chatham Volunteers. Acts like this speak well for the Government.—*Chatham Planet*.

On Tuesday, in the U. S. House of Representatives, Mr. Chandler offered a resolution enquiring why competent force was not maintained in the West Indies and tendering the thanks of the House to the British Admiral for the protection which he had extended to American citizens.

The American Government having no competent naval force in the West Indies, the British Admiral took the interests of the American citizens under his charge, and threatened to open fire upon the rebel robbers unless the rights, property and lives of Americans were respected. This was British like, noble and generous.

The American Government, on the other hand, in violation of their own constitution, allow the Fenians to arm, drill, and threaten to invade Canada, in order to murder and pillage British subjects.

Which of the foregoing picture is most to be admired?

VOLUNTEER INSPECTION.—On Wednesday evening last, the Sarnia Garrison Artillery and the No. 1 Company, of the 27th Battalion were inspected by Lieut. Col Taylor, D. A. A. G., Lieut. Col. Davis, and Captain Campbell Drill Instructor to the Battalion being present. The Artillery Company were not out in full strength but those that were on hand were highly and deservedly complimented on their appearance and proficiency in drill. No. 1 company was much stronger in number than usual and also received words of encouragement from the Colonel. Both companies were informed that they were liable to be called out at any moment and were admonished to be ready at a moment's notice. Sixty rounds of cartridge was dealt out to each man and the boys seemed to be much pleased with the prospect of an early meeting with the disturbers of our peace, which if it comes to that, will show what

"British hearts can dare,"
"And British hands can do."
—*Sarnia British Canadian*.

RIFLE MATCH.—Pursuant to a challenge given by No. 6 company (Captain Lewis), and accepted by the Sarnia Artillery (Capt. Seager), a rifle match between the two companies was arranged to take place on the afternoon of Saturday last. We regret to say, however, that during the progress of the match it was discovered that a number of Capt. Lewis' men had "plugged" the rifles, thus improperly taking an advantage of their opponents not allowed by the regulations, and that in consequence Capt. Seager refused to proceed any further with the match.—*Ibid*.

INSPECTION OF VOLUNTEERS.—On Tuesday morning Lieut. Col J. B. Taylor, Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, inspected the Volunteer Infantry Companies Nos. 1 and 2, commanded by Capt. S. M. Smith and Lt. Stephenson. He was accompanied to the Barrack Ground by Lieut. Col. Smith. The men were put through Battalion drill, Company drill, &c., with all of which the Adj. General expressed himself highly pleased. The arms were in capital order. Especial praise was awarded to No. 2 Company. The Adjutant General, in addressing the men, told them that Chatham had been made a Garrison Town, and if the Battalion were called out for drill or otherwise that it would be quartered here, where there were good barracks and a capital Drill Shed.—*Chatham Planet*.

PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES.—A list of pensions, gratuities and amounts for medical services authorized to be paid by the Militia Department are published in the *Official Gazette*. The highest amount on the list is \$800 gratuity, payable to the widow of Bartholomew Macdonald, Private Fourth Volunteer company, shot, being taken by mistake for a Fenian. The next highest \$500 to Captain K. Goodman, New Hamburg Infantry company, for disease contracted in May, 1866.

A pension of \$400 for 1½ years to the widow of P. T. Worrington, Captain Windsor Provisional Battalion, and \$400 to the widow and children of George Pretence, Captain of Columbia Infantry company, who each died of disease contracted while on duty in 1866. The list contains 55 names. The lowest amount is gratuity to Private Henry Scott, 15th Battalion Infantry, for injury to his leg arising from carelessness.