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the present leader of the Conservative Opposition, regards with admiration our Canadian West Point, and has the highest praise for the Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, its founder. When in Kingston, on the occasion of the inauguration of the Sir John A. Macdonald Chair of Political Economy, in Queen's University, Sir Charles Tupper referred to Kingston as the home of the Conservative leader, and the chair that was inaugurated to his honour, as singularly appropriate to a man who had spent his life in the practical exemplification of political economy, and concluded his speech as follows: "He congratulated Kingston in possessing a monument of another eminent Premier of Canada in the Royal College of Kingston. The Hon. Alexander Mackenzie raised there an enduring monument to his own memory." This happy remark of the veteran Conservative leader voices the general feeling of the public regarding the Royal Military College and its founder.

The following is the present staff at the College: Commandant, Lieut.-Col. Gerald Charles Kitson, (King's Royal Rifle Corps).

Staff-Adjutant, Lieut.-Col. S. C. McGill.

Professor of Military History, Surveying, Military Topography, Reconnaissance, etc., Capt. H. S. Logan, H.M. Leicestershire Regt.

Professor of Mathematics, etc., I. E. Martin, Esq., B.A.



H. M. Campbell, 1881.

Capt. W. B. Leslie, (R.E.)

Professor of Surveying, Physics, etc., Capt. J. B. Cochrane.

Assistant Instructor in Mathematics, Lieut. F. H. Vercoe.

Professor of English, Rev. C. L. Worrell, M.A.  
Professor of French, J. D. Chartrand, Esq.

Professor of Civil Engineering, Wm. R. Butler, Esq., C.E.

Medical Officer, Surgeon Lieut.-Col. J. L. H. Neilson, M.D., (R. C. A.).  
Director General Medical Staff.

Board of Visitors, President, Col. Hon. M. Aylmer, (Adj.-Gen.); Members, Lt.-Col. W. D. Gordon, (R. R. C.I.), D.O.C., M.D. No. 5; Lieut.-Col. O. C. C. Pelletier, D.O.C., M.D. No. 7; Capt. Duncan P. Macpherson, Montreal; John A. MacCabe, L.L.D., Principal Ottawa Normal School.



A. E. Doucet (N.W.), 1880.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

**MOREAU'S MISTAKE.**—When Gen. Moreau, who forsook the colours of Napoleon and was afterwards killed fighting against his former commander in Germany, was in the city of Boston, he was much courted and sought after as a lion of the first quality.

On one occasion he was invited to Cambridge to attend the commencement exercises. In the course of the day a musical society of undergraduates sang a then very popular ode, which was, "To-morrow, to-morrow, to-morrow." Moreau, who was imperfectly acquainted with our

language, fancied they were complimenting him, and at every recurrence of the burden, which he interpreted "To Moreau, to Moreau, to Moreau," he rose and bowed gracefully to the singers' gallery, pressing his laced chapeau to his heart. We can easily imagine the



R. W. Leonard, 1885.

amusement of the spectators who were in the secret, and the mortification of the Frenchman when he discovered his mistake.

At the battle of Minden a corps of French grenadiers, commanded by M. Perer, were exposed to a battery that carried off whole files at once. Perer wishing them not to fall back, rode slowly in front of the line, with his snuff box in his hand, and said, "Well, my boys, what's the matter? Eh, cannon? Well, it kills you, it kills you, that's all, my boys; march on and never mind it."

**AN OLD SOLDIER.**—An elderly gentleman in a coffee-room one day, when it was raining very hard and the water running down the streets, said that it reminded him of the general deluge. "Zounds, sir," said an old veteran officer near him, "who's he? I have heard of all the generals in Europe but him."

This reminds one of the print



E. F. Wurtel, 1882.

collector inquiring for a portrait of Admiral Noah, to illustrate Lord Byron's Don Juan.

The deputies of a great metropolis in Germany once offered the celebrated Marshal Turenne one hundred thousand crowns not to pass with his army through their city. "Gentlemen," he said, "I can't in conscience accept your money, as I had no intention of passing that way."

An officer having shown some friend a Damascan sword with which he had been presented, they expressed the opinion that the sword was too short. He replied that no sword was too short for a brave man, as it needed no more than to advance one step to make it long enough.

A Lacedemonian was once rallied with having painted a fly on his shield, as if he wished to avoid being known by adopting so small a mark of distinction. "You are deceived," said the brave Lacedemonian, "I shall go so near my enemies that they will easily recognize me."



Duncan Macpherson, 1880.

Louis VI. of France, in one of his engagements, was in considerable danger; a soldier of the enemy took hold of the bridle of his horse, crying out, "The King is taken." "No, sir," replied Louis, raising his battle-axe with which he hewed down the soldier; "No, sir, a King is never taken, not even in chess."

An American soldier, during the siege of Quebec, being posted as a sentinel in a place of some danger, requested his officer to change his situation. Being asked the reason, he replied: "He knew not how it was, but he did not feel himself brave enough to stay there."

A French officer, who was severely wounded in the leg, necessitating amputation, remarked to his valet, who was weeping bitterly: "Why do you weep, Germain? It is a fortunate thing for you, for you will only have one boot to clean in future."



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