

June a letter arrived from the Brigade Major, shewing that His Excellency was perfectly satisfied with the explanation and apology offered by Lieut. Col. Boomer, commanding No. 2 Battery Volunteer Foot Artillery, and exonerating that officer from all complicity in the matter.

This was the first time in which any of the Volunteer companies had attempted to publicly insult the Civil Service Corps, although there had always been a leaning that way on account of their steady advancement in drill; their good target practice; their position as a thoroughly independent company; the recognition of them by the regular force; in fact their general proficiency in every sense of the military turn. The commanding officer, therefore, thought it best to make an example at once, and did so with good effect, but the silver bugle carries to this day marks indicative of the violence used in forcing the leading men of the Company out of their place.

While the corps was manœuvring, one of our recruits, under the depressing heat of the sun and violent exercise in a light infantry movement, became so weak that he had to be carried to the rear. Dr. Wolff, who at that time was attached to the 8th or Stadacona Battalion, kindly supplied our Surgeon with restoratives, he not having any on the field. "Johnny Raw," under the stimulating effects of a good draught of "Cognac," administered immediately, was enabled to do his duty for the remainder of the parade.

The Company by this time was showing very good scores at their target practice. Its Captain,