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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

OF THE

Dominion of Canada Rifle Association.

The attention of the ADJUTANT GENERAL of the Militia of Canada having been drawn to the desirability of the formation of a Dominion Rifle Association by numerous persons, amongst whom was DR. HOWITT of Guelph, whose exertions in this respect are deserving of all consideration, and the Adjutant General feeling convinced that such an association would form a great incentive to the male part of the population of the Dominion of Canada, to make themselves thoroughly conversant with the use of the rifle and perfect themselves in the art of shooting, obtained the authority of the Government to call a meeting at Ottawa of persons interested in rifle shooting.

Invitations to attend this meeting were issued throughout the Provinces, and deputations from Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, assembled at Ottawa on the 1st April, 1868, and following days, and the meetings were also largely attended by members of the Senate and House of Commons interested in rifle shooting, and connected with the Militia and Volunteer Militia force of the country.

The members to form a Council, together with the President and other officers having been chosen, it was decided that His Excellency the Governor General, VISCOUNT MONCK, should be requested to become Patron,—to which he was pleased to accede.

Invitations were issued to the Lieut.-Governors of the several Provinces, the Lieut.-General commanding the