

REMOVAL OF TROOPS.

The 69th Regiment is stationed at Brantford, Ontario.

The depot companies of the 69th Regiment had been removed from Ireland to Preston.

It is said that Captain Holroyd, 23rd Fusiliers, is about to exchange to Cavalry.

We hear that the 18th Regiment will furnish the new staff for the military school at Montreal.

Up to the time of their departure it was not known where the 4th Battalion Rifle Brigade would be quartered on arrival home. Opinions were divided between Portsmouth and Dover.

The troopship *Simoon*, with a battalion of Royal Artillery from Halifax and Quebec, arrived at Malta on the 26th. The headquarters of the 3rd brigade was to embark on board the *Simoon*, for Canada.

REMOVAL OF THE 17TH REGIMENT.—We learn that the military authorities contemplate removing the 17th Regiment from this city to Port Hope and Kingston. The removal is said to be owing to the difficulty experienced in providing barracks here for the troops.—*Toronto Leader*.

MILITARY.—We regret to learn that only the right wing of the P. C. O. Rifles and the band will be stationed at Ottawa, while the left wing proceeds to Kingston. The reason of this is, we believe, that barrack-room could not be found for them at reasonable rates. If it be true that our citizens wanted exorbitant rentals, we think they will have reason to regret their short sighted policy.—*Ottawa Citizen*.

THE 29TH REGIMENT.—This highly disciplined corps, which has been in camp for nearly two months at Logan's Farm, marched yesterday, via Craig and McGill streets, to the Royal Mail Line of steamers, and at nine o'clock took their departure for Hamilton, Ontario.—*Montreal Daily News*, 11th.

Advices from Malta of the 23rd state:—The screw steam troopship *Himalaya*, which is on her way from Queenstown to Malta with the 1st battalion of the 14th Foot, is expected here to-morrow or the day following. The 14th Foot will relieve the 1st battalion 60th Rifles, ordered to proceed to Canada.

16TH REGIMENT.—We understand that this regiment is under orders to leave Hamilton on Wednesday next for Montreal, where they will be under canvass at Logan's Farm until further orders. They will leave many friends, and the citizens generally will regret the removal of this fine regiment, whose orderly conduct during their stay in this city deserves the highest encomiums.—*Hamilton Spectator*.

THE NEXT RELIEF.—The *Himalaya* is expected to arrive at Quebec from Malta in the course of the next ten days with the 1st Batt. 60th Rifles. The 23rd Fusiliers will then embark for England. On arrival they will be quartered at Newport, Monmouthshire, and Brecon. It is said that a detachment will proceed to Pembroke Dock. The Horse Guards Relief Boster is in a glorious state of muddle. Several regiments that preceded the 23rd in service remain abroad, apparently with no chance of relief until next year. It seems unaccountable that while the 2nd

Battalion 15th Regiment remains at Gibraltar the 23rd should return home from Canada after 14 months service. Probably in military as in civil life, "kissing goes by favor." The 100th Regiment is properly before the 23rd for a Home Station.—*Montreal News*.

TROOPS FOR COBBOURG.—For the last few days, a committee of our Town Council, have been acting upon a communication which his Worship the Mayor received from the Government in regard to furnishing accommodation for 400 troops, if sent here. We believe that the matter has not yet taken a definite shape, but from all we have heard, it is not unlikely we will be honored with the presence of 400 regular troops in Cobourg. Although in one light we would hail the gallant fellows amongst us with delight, still in another, and that is the moral light, we can very well afford to forego the honor. As considerable speculation has been indulged in in regard to the movements of troops, we may add, that we understand that the force of regulars in Canada is not being increased, and that the object is only to secure more comfortable quarters for those who are now being sent from home on foreign service, and the Imperial Government having decided to send those destined for such service to Canada, as being more healthy than the withering pestilential climate of India. No trouble is anticipated here, consequently there is nothing to excite nervous old women in present military movements. Troops that have been in Canada for some time will go home, whilst these coming will take their places here.—*Cobourg Sentinel*.

CANADIAN MILITARY NEWS.

The *Halifax Chronicle* of the 1st inst., says a Lieutenant of the Royal Artillery made a wager that he would walk twenty miles in four hours. Yesterday at 12.45 p.m., he commenced the feat on a measured course on the common, and completed it at 4.37, having eight minutes to spare.

THE CAVALRY RACES.—A meeting will be held at Mercier's hotel, opposite Russell's, Palace street, this evening at eight o'clock, in order to take the names of parties desirous of entering their horses for the sport, and for other business. We hope our citizens will act liberally towards our gallant volunteers in getting up purses sufficient to make the sport a success, as all former meetings held under their auspices have been.—*Quebec Daily News*, 10th.

LONDON LIGHT INFANTRY.—ANNUAL GAMES.—The first annual pic-nic and battalion games of the London Light Infantry came off yesterday on the Plains, near Strathroy; about two hundred of the battalion and their friends leaving the city on the excursion train in the morning to enjoy the promised sport. At Strathroy the excursionists were met by Major Johnson, 26th Middlesex, Capt. English, and a fair representation of the Strathroy Volunteer Company, who accompanied their brethren-in-arms to the picnic grounds and participated in the pleasures of the occasion. The splendid band of the 53rd Regt. was in attendance, and added materially to the enjoyment of all present by their excellent music, which was turned to advantage by lovers of the terpsichorean art, who tripped it on the "light fantastic" beneath the shade of leafy groves. The athletic games brought out a number of contestants, the prizes in most instances being won after a hard struggle; the foot racing was

particularly good. Two races were not contested for—the officers dash and the champion half-mile race—owing to the limited time. The whole affair passed off in the most agreeable manner; no cause for complaint in any particular; and the greatest satisfaction expressed with the entire management. The committee of arrangements certainly deserve credit for the success attending the First Annual Pic-Nic and Athletic Games of the London Light Infantry.—*Advertiser*.

A Vancouver Island correspondent writing to a Montreal contemporary has the following remarks on the subject of intercolonial communication:—

"I am glad to observe that the statesmen of Canada fully recognize the importance of this colony in the general scheme of Confederation, and that if shut out the Union would be incomplete. The only difficulty likely to arise will be on the subject of the Overland Road connecting this colony with Canada, and the difficulty is not likely to be overcome until the Red River Settlement is incorporated with the Confederation. Unless the accomplishment of this undertaking is secured I do not see how Confederation is likely to benefit us. Without this means of communication we should, though politically united, be physically separated, and unless a road is commenced it is not likely that a railroad will follow. It is to be hoped that this matter will be strongly urged both here and in Canada. The Central Pacific Railway will soon be finished, and the route for the Northern Pacific line is now being surveyed. Even if this latter should fail, Puget's Sound will undoubtedly be connected with the Central Line by a railway through the Willamette Valley to Sacramento. Then a town must spring up at its terminus, with American waters close at hand, which will eclipse Victoria, perhaps rival San Francisco, and annihilate all hope of trade between British North America and the East."

PRESENTATION.—We are pleased to learn that on Thursday evening, 29th ult., Capt. Seager of the Sarnia Battery of Artillery, was presented by the non-commissioned officers and men of the Battery with a very handsome artillery sword, with belts, &c. It was presented Lieut. Adams on behalf of the company, accompanied by a neat address, expressing the respect and esteem in which Captain Seager is held by them, and congratulating him upon having recently obtained a first-class Certificate from the Military Board at London. The intended presentation, up to the moment it took place, was kept entirely unknown to the Captain, and took him quite by surprise. He replied in a few words thanking the company for the honor they had done him. He had always tried to do his duty, but was unaware of having done anything more. He thanked them also for the assistance each member had given him in his efforts to make the Battery second to none in this country. He had recently had the opportunity of seeing a great many Volunteer corps in other places, and was proud that their efforts had secured the desired object. The honor they had just conferred upon him had taken him wholly by surprise, and he hoped that they would under the circumstances, accept what he felt in place of what he ought to say. The Captain's remarks were responded to by the Battery, by three hearty cheers. Capt. Seager is deservedly very popular among the members of his company.—*Sarnia Observer*.