

"nation, through Parliament, may require of it. It will be my  
 "endeavor to make Her Majesty's army a *career* for all ranks  
 "belonging to it, so that men may feel inducements to enter it,  
 "either as officers or soldiers, feeling sure that they shall have even-  
 "handed justice meted out to them, and that the men belonging  
 "to the army, no matter to what rank they belong, shall have the  
 "same opportunity and the same certainty of advancement, pro-  
 "vided they bring to their work the ability which would raise them  
 "in other professions in life, and provided they study their pro-  
 "fession in the army as they would Law, Medicine or Theology.  
 "In other words, that the man who enters Her Majesty's army  
 "shall feel that it is not only an honorable career, but one in which  
 "he has the same opportunities of advancing as his brother or other  
 "relations would have if they had entered any of the great professions  
 "to which I have referred."

These sentiments, we take it, should be the keystone in the admin-  
 istration of our small but comparatively most efficient permanent  
 force.

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#### THE NEW GENERAL OFFICER.

Major General Gascoigne, the new General Officer commanding  
 the Canadian Militia, assumed his appointment on the day he sailed  
 from Liverpool, viz., 19th September last. He arrived by the  
 "Parisian" at Quebec on the 29th September, and was received by  
 a Guard of Honor from the Royal Canadian Artillery under com-  
 mand of Major Farley. He proceeded by the steamship to Mon-  
 treal, and from thence went direct to Ottawa. The General is no  
 stranger to Canada, having served in 1863 with the Battalion of  
 the Scots Guards, then quartered in Montreal. In 1870, he re-  
 turned to Canada for special service, and on the 25th May of that  
 year, went to the frontier as Brigade Major to the Montreal Volun-  
 teer Militia, to repel the Fenian invaders. Since his arrival, the  
 General has seen the Montreal and Toronto Brigades of Militia—  
 the largest in the Dominion—turn out for church parade, and ex-  
 pressed his satisfaction with what he saw. In both cities he at-  
 tended a Brigade Mess dinner, and spoke at length in answer to  
 the toast of his health, and his remarks were enthusiastically  
 received. We have been given to understand that he will not  
 make any inspection of the Permanent Force till after the new year.  
 Our readers will be pleased to learn that he has accepted the posi-