

DOMINION OF CANADA.



MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS.

Ottawa, 11th December, 1874.

GENERAL ORDERS (33).

ACTIVE MILITIA.

No. 1.

Provisional Force on Service in Manitoba.

It having been considered advisable to reduce the Active Militia Force on Service in Manitoba, the following Officers have been relieved from further service in that Force, from 17th November last:—

Major Acheson G. Irvine; Captains Thomas Scott, John Price Fletcher and Samuel Bruce Harman; Lieutenants Charles Constantine and John Allan, of the Provisional Battalion; and 2nd Lieutenant John Weir Anderson, of the Detachment of Artillery.

Lieutenant Charles Constantine, M. S., Provisional Battalion, is placed on retired list retaining rank; and adverting to General Order (29) 6 November, 1874, Captain John Allan, M. S., 3rd Battalion, "Victoria Rifles," Montreal, is also placed on the retired list retaining rank.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

1st Montreal Company of Engineers.

No. 1 of General Orders (27) 24th November, 1871, is hereby amended by permitting Captain William Rutherford to retire retain rank.

CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

Captain Edouard Laberge, V. B., No. 1 Coy., 76th Battalion, from 10th November, 1874.

Lieutenant Jean Baptiste Damour, V. B., No. 1 Coy., 76th Battalion, from 10th November, 1874.

No. 2.

CERTIFICATES GRANTED.

SCHOOLS OF GUNNERY.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

FIRST CLASS "SHORT COURSE" CERTIFICATES.

Gunner C. F. W. Browne, Kingston Field Battery.

do A. Needham, Toronto Garrison Battery.

SECOND CLASS "SHORT COURSE" CERTIFICATES.

Gunner H. Norris, Toronto Garrison Battery.

do Francis McCloud, Kingston Field Battery.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

SECOND CLASS "SHORT COURSE" CERTIFICATES.

Acting Bombardier Richard M. Elvin "B" Battery of Artillery.

Gunner John Baker, "B" Battery of Artillery.

do Patrick Duffy, "B" Battery of Artillery.

do Alexander Fairley, "B" Battery of Artillery.

do Pierre Langlois, "B" Battery of Artillery.

do Richard Perry, "B" Battery of Artillery.

do John Watson, "B" Battery of Artillery.

BOARDS OF EXAMINERS.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Captain Edouard Laberge, No. 1 Co'y, 76th Battalion.

do Louis Arthur Prud'homme, No. 4 Co'y, 64th Battalion.

Lieutenant Pierre Boyer, No. 2 Co'y, 64th Battalion.

SECOND CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Captain Edouard Laberge, No. 1 Co'y, 76th Battalion.

Lieutenant Jean Baptiste Damour, No 1 Co'y, 76th Battalion.

Sergeant Joseph Faubert, 64th Battalion.

By Command of his Excellency the Governor General.

WALKER POWELL, Lieut. Col.

Deputy Adjutant General of Militia, Canada.

Lieut. Colonel W. H. Jackson, D.A.G., for Military District No. 4, inspected the Ottawa Brigade of Garrison Artillery, on Friday evening, at the Armoury, and expressed himself highly pleased with the proficiency they had made since the last inspection. He complimented Lieut. Colonel Egleson on the cleanliness and soldierly appearance of the Brigade, and said they stood a No. 1 in the Dominion in point of efficiency.

The *N. Y. Herald* of Dec 10th publishes letters from Governor Ames, Mississippi, and O. V. Shreve, editor of the *Vicksburg Herald* giving accounts of Mobley's disturbances from different political standpoints. Ames denounces the White League and Taxpayers League, and charges them with unwarrantably forcing themselves on the Grand Jury in hot seats and generally interfering with justice without legally constituted authorities. The Vicksburg taxpayers committee appointed a deputation who waited on Crosby, asking him to resign. A mob of 600 afterwards visited him and he resigned to save his life. The other officials escaped. The mob took forcible possession of the court house. Crosby returned to the city on Saturday. The city was full of armed men. On Monday rioting commenced at nine a. m., and continued with results already known. The attack on the negroes by the whites was a perfect slaughter. The negroes were under a flag of truce when the White Leagues assailed them. Sixty or eighty negroes were killed. None of their opponents were hurt. Unarmed negroes going to the town on cotton bales were killed. The first white man killed was a Presbyterian minister. Gen. Hacker told Ames that the leagues threatened to kill Crosby if United States troops arrived before his resignation was formally accepted. The letter of the editor of the *Vicksburg Herald* says there was no riot. It is an attack of three separate columns by negroes upon the city. Crosby had been picking juries and had not completed his bonds. He was asked by the best citizens to resign and did so. He went and consulted Ames and on returning issued a card calling on the Republicans to aid in sustaining him. Then followed the attack. The negroes were warned to disperse but said, "We have come for fight and are going to have it."

The Portuguese Government is about to make some very important additions to its naval power. Not many months ago the Cortes voted a sum of £370,000 for the construction of new ships of war, and Captain Testa, a distinguished officer of the Portuguese navy, was instructed to proceed directly to England and obtain the fullest information on the various types of vessels now building for the English Admiralty. The Government has finally resolved to build two powerful corvettes, designed to carry six large guns a high rate of speed, to be constructed on the system known as composite.

THE VON ARNIM TRIAL, BERLIN, DEC. 12.—The prisoner here remarked that he had already stated the whereabouts of all the documents included in the third category except a few. He could not reproach the staff of the Embassy for carelessness, and accepted the entire responsibility.

Professor Lewis testified that Count Von Arnim consulted with him as to whether he should wait for the foreign office to commence proceedings or take the initiative himself to compel it to recognise his rights of ownership in the document.

A despatch reports the Spanish press as considerably excited over President Grant's message, portions of which only have reached them, provoking much wrathful comment.