

the most brilliant orator that Ireland could boast of in the British provinces, and a no less cowardly ruffian to murder Prince Alfred; a party which attempted to slaughter innocent victims with powder and vitriol, has no want of foreign mercenary cut-throats to satiate the bloodthirst of merciless as well as bombastic political partisans.

"Fenianism has plenty of such heroes and self-sacrificing patriots!"

In addition to this, we have a letter in the New York *Democrat* threatening the Prince with assassination in case he dares "pollute" American soil with his presence. We do not wonder that Fenians should entertain some such infernal idea; but we do wonder that even so low a journal as the *Democrat* should publish the threat in the way it does. There seems, however, no depth of infamy to which political partizanship will not sink an American journalist."

LAUGHABLE YARN.—The following laughable yarn is "going the rounds" of the American press. Some correspondent has been badly crammed by the Blue Books: "One of the officers attending the Governor General at Halifax saluted the Prince with his hand instead of his sword. The story goes that in the Crimea he was convicted of an offence punishable with death but by high influence he obtained a commutation of sentence by which he was placed perpetually on half pay and had his sword riveted to his scabbard."

The above which we clip from an exchange reminds us of an almost forgotten past. Such stories were commonly told in the army—the "riveting" meaning that the wearer had never used his sword in actual fight. It is amusing to see the "barrack room 'gag'" of a past generation thus revived in American papers. Those who served under the noble and gallant Col. Harlinge of the 22nd will remember that he does not draw his sword when on parade under the command of a superior officer. Those who served in Malta during the last ten years must remember a certain R. M. at Valletta of whom the same story, quoted above, we have heard gravely related by a staff sergeant of the garrison when on duty at the Grand Master's palace. The joke by a witty sub perpetrated fifty years ago comes to us with the odor of antiquity like that of Citato when we trudged through its mud ten years after we took it.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

MAN IN GENESIS AND IN GEOLOGY: New York, Samuel R. Wells. This little volume contains in an attractive and well conducted form all the best arguments in support of the authenticity of the Pentateuch. It is written in an earnest and at the same time liberal spirit and should be read by all. Price \$1.00, for sale by Jones & Holland, Elgin street, Ottawa.

THE ONTARIO FARMER, for September, is a very neat and well illustrated magazine, and as an aid to agricultural progress in the Dominion should, as we hope it does, receive the support of our large and intelligent farming population.

SECOND REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

ON IMMIGRATION AND COLONIZATION. This Blue Book is one of the most interesting additions to public knowledge of the resources and capabilities of the Dominion. That portion which relates to the North West is particularly interesting. To those intending to locate in the far West we recommend a perusal of this book.

BLACKWOOD for September, from the Leonard Scott Publishing Company, New York, has come to hand, and is one of the most interesting of current magazines, as a glance at the contents will show:—

Lost Preterites. On the limitation of enlistment and army reserves. A year and a day. Mr. Mill on the subjection of Woman. A night with the Volunteers of Strathkinnahan. Cornelius O'Dowd. The winding up.

SOME gentlemen in Ottawa and neighborhood are about organizing a small bore rifle club. Shooting in Canada is fast becoming as scientific as it is in England and the crack shots of Ottawa, if they wish to compete with those of other places with anything like success must cultivate small bores. Several gentlemen have already signified their intention of subscribing largely towards procuring the best English rifles and we are convinced, if the idea should be carried out, that the marksmen of the Ottawa will demonstrate their prowess at all future gatherings even better than they have heretofore.

REMITTANCES

Received on subscription to the VOLUNTEER REVIEW up to the Saturday the 24th inst.:—

KINGSTON, O.—Thos. Drummond, \$4.

QUEBEC.—F. C. Wurtle, \$2.

ENGLISH VS. CANADIAN SHOOTING.

To the Editor of the VOLUNTEER REVIEW.

SIR:—As "long looked for" seems likely "to come at last" and that is the sending home to England a representative team of Canadian marksmen, it may be well as affording opportunity to judge of their probable success in the lists when pitted against English riflemen, to give in a synoptical form an analysis of the shooting at Wimbledon, and in this country during the past season.

QUEEN'S PRIZE.—1ST. STAGE.

At 200 yards, 5 rounds.—1 man made 19 points, 4 men made 18 points, and 21 men made 17; 500 yards, 5 rounds.—1 man made 19 points, 6 men made 18 points, and 27 men made 17 points each.

ALEXANDRA PRIZES.

At 200 yards, 5 rounds.—4 men made 19 points, 26 men made 18 points, 23 men made 17 points; 500 yards, 5 rounds.—1 man made 19 points, 12 men made 18 points, 27 men made 17 points, 12 men made 16 points; 600 yards, 5 rounds.—2 men made 18 points, 12 men made 17 points, 16 men made 15 points, and 8 men made 14 points each.

Lieut. Pollard of the 13th Cornwall, made an aggregate score at the 3 ranges of 53 points out of a possible 60.

DOMINION OF CANADA MATCH.

At 300 yards, 5 rounds.—2 men made 18 points, 4 men made 17 points, 14 men made 16 points, 6 men made 15 points, 1 man made 14 points, 3 men made 13 points; 500 yards, 5 rounds.—2 men made 19 points, 5 men made 18 points; 2 men made 17 points, 12 men made 16 points, 9 men made 15 points; 600 yards, 8 rounds.—2 men made 16 points, 1 man made 15 points, 1 man made 14 points, 3 men made 13 points, 2 men made 12 points, 2 men made 11 points, 1 man made 10 points, 1 man made 9 points; 700 yards, 5 rounds.—5 men made 17 points, 2 men made 16 points, 1 man made 14 points, 2 men made 13 points, 1 man made 12 points, and 2 men made 11 points each.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC MATCH.

At 200 yards, 5 rounds.—1 man made 18 points, 3 men made 17 points, 4 men made 16 points, 6 men made 15 points, 2 men made 14 points, 2 men made 13 points, 1 man made 12 points; 500 yards, 5 rounds.—1 man made 20 points, 6 men made 17 points, 4 men made 16 points, 3 men made 15 points, 4 men made 14 points, 1 man made 12 points; 600 yards, 5 rounds.—2 men made 18 points, 1 man made 17 points, 1 man made 16 points, 2 men made 15 points, 4 men made 14 points, 1 man made 13 points, 3 men made 12 points, 3 men made 11 points, and 2 men made 10 points each.

BATTALION MATCHES.

10 of the London Scottish at Wimbledon, made 354 points at 3 ranges 200, 500 and 600 yards, 15 rounds.

10 of the 13th Batt., at Toronto, made 266 points at 400 and 600 yards, 10 rounds.

10 of the 18th Batt., at Ottawa, made 266 points at 300 and 500 yards, 10 rounds.

5 of the 5th Royals, Montreal, made 184 points at 500 and 600 yards, 10 rounds.

Capt McLean of the 42nd Batt., made at Ottawa, at 300, 400 and 500 yards, 15 rounds, an aggregate of 52 points out of a possible 60.

TIME MATCHES.

At Wimbledon, Private Fraser, "Queen's Edinburgh" at 200 yds. fired 47 rounds in 3 minutes making 118 points. Sergeant Peck 26th Kent, at 200 yards fired 43 rounds in 3 minutes making 114 points.

At Toronto, Capt. Bell, G. T. R. Brigade at 400 yards fired 19 rounds in 2 minutes making 61 points.

Yours, &c.,

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Southerners in the city do not think the General Grant will walk over the track in 1872, and some are even so cruel as to imagine that John T. Hoffman will not be the Democratic candidate. The next Presidential race is too far ahead to calculate safely upon the chances now. Some candidates are trotted out prematurely, and, like fast race-horses, frequently get spavined before they come to the scratch.—*N. Y. Herald*