

time of the Fenian troubles. In the army his promotion, if not rapid, has been steady, and his energy and judgment highly esteemed at the Horse Guards. In 1846 he became Lt.-Colonel, in 1861 he was raised to the rank of Major-General, and in 1867 when he returned to England, from service in Canada, he was appointed in place of Lord Frederick Paulet, General of Brigade of the Foot Guards.

In March of the present year, Gen. Lindsay was desired to proceed to this country to carry out the policy of the Imperial Government with respect to the withdrawal of troops, and received the local appointment of Lt.-General on particular service in Canada. And it is to this that we are indebted for his opportune presence in Canada during the recent crisis. The ability and energy with which he checked the Fenian movements, his appreciative estimate of the recent services of the Volunteers, and the interest he has ever evinced in Canadian affairs, have deservedly given him a high position in the esteem of all.

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whose name has been brought so prominently before the public during the last few weeks, in connection with the gallant resistance made by the company of Home Guards against the Fenians at Pigeon Hill, is one of the wealthiest and most enterprising of the farmers of Dunham. From the great interest he has ever evinced in all agricultural affairs, and his zeal and straightforward conduct in the many municipal offices bestowed on him by his townsmen, he has deservedly become very popular throughout the whole district. After the raid of 1866, he, in connection with several others, who, like him, had been roused by a sense of their unprotected position, took steps to prevent a repetition of the indignities which had then been suffered. A meeting was called, and it was resolved that they should arm themselves with the best breechloading rifles that could be procured, the selection of which was left to Mr. Westover. After much inquiry, and many visits paid to the different rifle manufacturers, the Ballard rifle was finally decided on, and about sixty pieces ordered. So long as everything remained quiet, nothing was done, but at the first alarm this

Spring a more definite organization was formed and signed. Mr. Westover was elected Captain, F. Galer as Lieutenant, and J. Galer as Ensign; a red scarf was selected as their distinguishing badge, and so complete were their arrangements that no Fenian movement could take place within a circle of twenty miles but information of it was at once conveyed to Mr. Westover, and by means of mounted Sergeants the whole company could be assembled on the frontier in an hour's time. Thus organized, they were among the first to receive the news, and on the 23rd May scouts were sent out to patrol the country round. More alarming news afterwards coming to hand, the company were ordered out, and at eight o'clock the following morning assembled at Cook's Corners. There they remained till two, when they left this place and took up their position on a rocky wooded hill overlooking the line, and maintained it against the Fenians, many times their number, till four o'clock next morning, when they were reinforced by a company of the Dunham Volunteers, and still later by another company of the same, both under command of Col. Chamberlin. Such a brave spirit, with the glorious results which followed, deserves to be chronicled. We therefore in this number present our readers with a likeness of Mr. Westover, as a type of the noble men to whose promptness and energy, both on the Missisquoi and Huntingdon frontiers, Canada owes her immunity from the recently threatened invasion.

BENJAMIN DISRAELI.

After an interval of more than twenty years, the author of "Coningsby" and "Tancred" appears once more on the literary arena as a novelist. Yet, in doing so, he does not withdraw even for the time from the political contest to which his life is devoted. "Lothair," like its predecessors, is simply an expression of Mr. Disraeli's views on the questions of which it treats. Hence the diversity of opinion among critics with regard to it.

Benjamin Disraeli is descended from an ancient Spanish-Hebrew family, whose representative, two generations ago, settled in England. Isaac Disraeli, the father of the statesman, has left a name of some note in the literary world, and his son early gave promise of inheriting his father's