## CANADIAN CORRESPONDENTS FOR THE SOUTH AFRICAN WAR.

NEWSPAPERMEN who are interested in things military, all know Capt. F. J. Dixon, editor of The Canadian Military Gazette, who has been appointed "His torical Recorder" for the South African War, by the Canadian Government. If they have not met him personally, they have made his acquaintance through the columns of the paper he so ably edited. A trained and experienced soldier, with a wide theoretical knowledge of military tactics, and a clear, concise writer, the Militia Depart ment could not have chosen a better man to report on the military operations now in progress in South Africa.

Capt. Dixon, who is a graduate of the Royal Military College, first saw service during the Riel Rebellion in 1885, as A.D.C. to Major-General Laurie. He was subsequently given command of the convalescent depot, was Staff Officer of Supply and Transport, and at the close of the trouble was appointed Secretary of the War Claims Com-

The Star is represented by Mr. W. Richmond-Smith, who has been one of the Parliamentary correspondents of that paper for some time. He is a clever and experienced newspaperman and his reputation is sure to be enhanced by his work as a war correspondent. Mr. S. C. Simonski, formerly of Toronto, has charge of The Herald's interests. He is an artist of considerable ability as well as an able writer. His principal work has been for the Jublilee and other special illustrated editions of The Toronto Globe. Recently he prepared some splendid soldier sketches for The Canadian Militiaman, a military work issued by a Toronto publishing house, and the experience he gained in drawing military subjects is bound to be of use to him in the new field he has entered. If his first letter, written from the troopship and mailed at Father Point, is any criterion, The Herald is to be congratulated upon its representative. paper has also engaged it sub-correspondents among the







mission that adjusted all the military claims arising out of the Rebellion.

I'e is widely known as a writer on military subjects, and has had editorial charge of The Military Gazette for several years. He contributed a valuable article on "Military Education in Canada" to the Encyclopædia of Canada, recently published by J. Castell Hopkins. Capt. Dixon is, perhaps, one of the best known military men in Canada, and his appointment to so important a position gives immense satisfaction, not only to the militia, but to the public generally, particularly because everyone recognizes that he obtained it solely on his merits and not through "heeling" or wire-pulling.

The Montreal Herald and Star have both sent correspondents to South Africa with the Canadian contingent.

rank and file of the contingent, so if our boys should be split into separate detachments Herald readers will be still kept posted as to 'heir movements.

Charles Lewis Shaw, who has gone to the Cape, represents a syndicate of Canadian papers, including The Toronto Telegram, Vancouver Province, Halifax Herald, St. John Telegraph, Ottawa Journal, Stratford Herald, and others. Mr. Shaw is kell-fitted for the work. He saw service with the Canadian contingent in Egypt in 1881, and afterwards acted as correspondent for a London paper. He writes with humor and vigor and has descriptive powers which should produce some good war letters. Several years ago he wrote a series of humorous letters entitled "Reminscences of a Nile Voyageur," which appeared in Toronto Saturday Night. Recently he has contributed stories to The