

a lighted lamp or candle inside, and the shots whistling over the quiet river had an eerie effect. It was necessary to camp well away from the tents for several nights, when, a vigorous protest having been entered with the United States government, they woke up and put a stop to it. "Sniping" was as popular with the Fenians as it was later on with the Boers in South Africa.

In 1870 No. 1 Company was again called out, being under arms in March and again in May and June, as a second Fenian invasion was threatened, but this was their last active service. The company was called out on May 25th, 1870, and was sent to St. Catharines the following day, for the purpose of guarding the Welland canal, as information had been received that its destruction was planned. Some of the men were stationed along the canal in or near St. Catharines, while the rest were sent down to Port Dalhousie. Some of the former were quartered at the old St. Catharines House, that was kept at that time by Mr. Westall. W. J. Campbell was one of these. Wm. James Handley, 1st Lieut. of No. 1 was another. He was in charge of the company, as Capt. Thompson, who was steward on the steamer City of Toronto, was unable to get away. Albert Davey was out in 1866-1870. Joseph Masters and John Raynor were also out in 1865-66 and '70. Mr. Handley now resides in Victoria, B. C..

For many years, beginning with the first camp in 1872, No. 1 Company went out to camp and took an active part in the affairs of the 19th Battalion till some years ago (about 1897), when this became a city regiment and No. 1 went out of existence so far as Niagara is concerned. The band had made its headquarters in St. Catharines some years before the change was made.

Among the men who assisted in the formation of No. 1 Company and who were connected with it for many years were: Robert Currie, Edward Thompson, Joseph Masters, John Raynor, John Clockenburg, William Elliott, Thos. Robertson, James McMillan, Thomas Kennedy, (he was in Chicago in 1870 when the second Fenian scare took place and came back to assist his country in her time of need), Jesse Harrison, James Sandham, Bernard McBrien, William and Charles Long, John Thompson, John Bishop, Frank Bishop,