

THE BLUENOSE.

Military and Militia Topics.

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self in a highly satisfactory manner and presented a good muster. The Dartmouth companies being new, and never inspected by the D. O. C. before, were put to very severe tests in company inspection, in which they displayed good discipline, for which they were highly complimented.

THE LATE MAJOR HAROLD LATHROP BORDEN.

The name of Harold Lathrop Borden stands foremost not only among the Nova Scotians, but among the Canadians who fought so gallantly for the cause of the Empire in South Africa. In presenting Major Borden's picture in this issue any lengthy details are unnecessary. The public is already acquainted with the life of this brave young man who cheerfully resigned his commission as Major in his own regiment, and gave up a career of considerable promise in order to receive an appointment as lieutenant in the Second Contingent. His name will occupy a prominent place on the monument to be erected in this city in honor of our soldiers. That Major Borden is fully entitled to the honored place he holds in the hearts of the people cannot be better proved than by the quotation of Lord Roberts' despatch concerning him. The Field Marshall said: "Lieutenant Borden was killed while gallantly leading his men in a counter attack on the enemy's flank at a critical juncture of their assault on our position." And he adds: "Borden was twice before brought to my notice in despatches for gallant and intrepid conduct." Well did the young Nova Scotian fulfil the word he gave in speaking at the reception tendered to the volunteers in St. John. "Never," he said "will I ask one of my men to go where I will not go myself."

The late Judge Johnstone was a lieutenant in the 63rd. This was in the year 1860, when the company of Dartmouth Rifles was formed, with David Falconer as captain. That company, like the present Dartmouth companies, conducted company drill at home, but came across to the city for battalion drill. It was one of the six originally composing the 63rd. On the departure of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales from Halifax, after his visit to Halifax many years ago, the Dartmouth Rifles, with two other companies, went to Truro to form a guard of honor at that place.

It is said that Lord Wm. Seymour is likely to be appointed to the command of the Tower in London. This is a very special honor, and his many Halifax friends hope that he will receive it. Only men who have influence in Court circles are given such an important command.

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