

do -Sergeant John W. McKinley,
do -Sergeant Robert Peppers.

RESERVE MILITIA.

REGIMENTAL DIVISION OF MASHKINONGI
No. 6 Company, Division.

To be Captain:
Lieutenant Andre Rabouin, vice F. X. A. Rivard, left limits.
To be Lieutenant:
Ensign Euchariste Lesage, vice A. Rabouin promoted.
To be Ensign:
Epiphane Lupien, Gentleman, vice E. Lesage, promoted.

REGIMENTAL DIVISION OF 2ND MONTREAL CENTRE.

No. 2 Company, Division

To be Captain:
Lieutenant James Leslie Starnes, vice Hector Hebert, resigned.
To be Lieutenant, with the Honorary rank of Captain:
Russel Stephenson, Esq., vice Starnes promoted.
By Command,
WALKER POWELL, Colonel,
Adjutant General of Militia,
Canada.

Parliamentary.

On the 21st the Joint Committee on printing met at 11 o'clock, and elected Mr. Ross chairman. The accounts for printing for the year ending 30th June were submitted. The total cost of printing was \$67,930, of which \$10,631 was refunded, leaving a net expenditure of \$57,299. The cost to each branch was:—Senate, \$14,532; House of Commons, \$42,766. The report referred to the Auditing Committee.

The bill introduced by Mr. Blake to appoint assistant inspectors of penitentiaries in Manitoba and British Columbia provides that they shall be appointed by the Governor in Council, at a salary of \$250 a year and travelling expenses.

Mr. Blake's bill on criminal Statistics provides that the Clerk of every Criminal Court, Wardens of Penitentiaries and Sheriffs shall transmit to the Minister of Agriculture before the end of February in each year schedules of criminal statistics. Every officer now required to transmit to the Minister of Finance copies of returns made by Justices of the Peace, under the Summary Convictions Act, shall in future transmit such copies to the Minister of Agriculture before the end of February. Officers neglecting to fill up and return schedules may be fined, not exceeding eighty dollars. The Secretary of State shall, before the end of February in each year, cause to be filled up and transmitted to the Minister of Agriculture or such other minister as may be designated, such schedules for the preceding year relative to the cases in which the prerogative of mercy has been exercised as he shall from time to time receive from the Minister of Agriculture or such other minister as aforesaid.

On the 23rd Mr. H. Cameron brought in a bill to amend the Criminal Laws in relation

to abortion. The bill was intended to remove the difficulties experienced under the existing law in regard to the cases of abortion which shall be regarded as murder and those which will not be so regarded. The bill was intended to make the trial a capital one only where the intention to kill is clearly proven. The measure contained a clause making the publication of advertisements, circulars and such like, publishing the sale of medicines intended to produce abortion, a misdemeanor.

Hon. Mr. Blake introduced a Bill to make more effectual provision for making enquiries into corrupt practices at election. He referred at some length to the difficulty of obtaining correct information, and explained that the judge reporting that corrupt practices prevailed, such being his opinion from the evidence before him, and it being his opinion that further enquiry was desirable, on these three circumstances, and upon a petition being presented by the electors within a certain time, authority was proposed to be given for said further inquiry. The bill was read the first time without discussion.

On Thursday last the Minister of Finance laid on the table of the House of Commons his annual statement of the Revenue and expenditure of the Dominion of Canada. The statement covers the period from 1st July, 1875 to February 10th 1876, and shows the income for that period to have been \$12,820,785; expenditure, \$13,968,509; showing a deficiency of \$1,147,724.

On Thursday last, the member for Haldimand, Mr. Thompson, asked the Government whether it was their intention to continue the pensions given to the Veterans of 1812-14, and whether they propose to increase the amount awarded to each person, and to what amount? The Hon. Mr. Vail replied that an item appeared in the estimates asking for the same sum as last year.

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