

COUNTY OF PETERBOROUGH RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

An adjourned meeting of the officers of the Peterboro' Battalion was held on Wednesday evening, 20th ult., for the purpose of adopting a constitution for a County of Peterboro' Rifle Association.

CONSTITUTION.

1. That this association be denominated "The Peterborough Rifle Association."
2. Any person being a subscriber of \$1 per annum shall become a member of the Association.
3. Donors of \$10 at one time to the Association, or of a prize of not less value than \$15 to be competed for at any of the prize meetings, shall be entitled to be enrolled as life members of the association.
4. Any company of the 57th Battalion subscribing not less than \$10 annually to the funds of the association, shall be considered as being in connection with it, and shall be entitled to a number of memberships, for non-commissioned officers and men in the proportion of one to every half dollar thus subscribed. Each subscribing company is to appoint from its members the persons to hold these memberships and the names are to be furnished to the secretary by the captain at least one week before the match.
5. There shall be two Patrons and two vice Patrons appointed by the Council.
6. There shall be a President.
7. There shall be two vice Presidents.
8. There shall be a Council, composed as follows

1st The officers commanding companies of the 57th Battalion; 2nd, an equal number of civilians, to be chosen at each annual meeting. 3rd, the Field and Staff Officers of the Battalion. Seven of whom shall form a quorum, and in the event of vacancies occurring in the elective members, from any cause whatever, the remaining members shall have the power of filling such vacancies.

9. There shall be a secretary and there shall be a treasurer.

10. The officers are to be elected at the regular annual meeting of the association and shall be ex-officio members of the Council.

11. The Council shall have the sole management of the income and funds of the Association, rendering an account to the yearly meeting; such account having been previously audited by two persons, not members of the Council, who shall be annually appointed by the Council for that purpose. The Council shall also have the entire management and superintendence of all the affairs and concerns of the Association, and shall or may do all such acts and duties as shall appear to them necessary or essential to be done for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects and views of the Association.

12. The Council shall be regulated in their proceedings by such by laws as may from time to time be enacted by them, no by law being in any case altered or a new one proposed without at least one month's notice of such intention being given at a meeting of the Council.

13. An annual report, embracing the audited account of the finances, shall be drawn up by the Secretary, and shall (having previously been submitted to the Council) be published at least a week before the annual meeting.

14. There shall be an annual meeting, to be held at such time and place as shall be selected by the Council.

15. The first meeting for the election of officers shall be held on the second Tuesday in June next, at the Town Council Chamber Peterboro', and the annual meeting thereafter shall be held at such time and place as shall be appointed by the Council.

A committee, composed of Majors Kennedy and Leigh, and the captains of each volunteer company in the battalion, was appointed to take up subscriptions from members of the community generally, in aid of the Association. The officers of the battalion deserve thanks for their zeal in furthering this useful Association.—*Peterboro' Review*.

COUNTY OF LANARK RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

An adjourned meeting of officers of the Volunteer militia companies of the county of Lanark was held at the village of Smith's Falls Saturday the 16th inst., at which Major James D. Gemmill was appointed Chairman, and Lieut. Matheson acted as Secretary. The minutes of the previous meeting were read over, and after some discussion the following resolution respecting the competition for the Peabody Rifles presented by Alexander Morris, Esq. M. P., and the Hon. Wm. Macdougall, C. B., M. P., to the volunteer companies of Lanark, was carried unanimously. Moved by Major Scott, seconded by Captain Brown, that we deem it advisable for the purpose of preventing dispute, that at the approaching match, men be present from the different companies in the following order, viz: one man to be sent by the Pakenham company to Almonte, one by the Almonte company to Pakenham, one by the Almonte company to Carleton Place, one by the Carleton Place company to Almonte, one by the Smith's Falls company to Perth, and one by the Perth company to Smith's Falls, to keep a check on the marking of the scores made by each company for the Peabody Rifles, to take place on the 1st day of August next, provided that the officers of each company can secure the services of a competent person, and the absence of such person not vitiate the match.

The following resolutions with respect to the formation of a county of Lanark Rifle Association was unanimously carried

Moved by W. J. Morris, Esq., seconded by Major Poole: That it is of the greatest importance to have a Rifle Association formed for the county of Lanark, such association to be affiliated with those of the Dominion of Canada and Province of Ontario.

Moved by Major Scott and seconded by Major Poole: That a Rifle Association be formed for the county of Lanark, to be composed of persons desirous of perfecting themselves in rifle shooting, and that the following gentleman be elected officers for the present year: President, W. J. Morris, Esq., M.C.D.R.A.; Vice President, Major James D. Gemmill; Secretary and Treasurer, Lieut. Gould. Members of Council, Hon. R. Matheson and Hon. James Shaw, Senators; A. Morris, Esq., M.P.; Hon. Wm. Macdougall, C.B., M.P.; W. M. Shaw, Esq., M.P.P.; D. Galbraith, Esq., M.P.P.; Andrew Dickson, Esq., of Pakenham; James Rosamond, sen., Esq., of Almonte; Robert Bell, Esq., of Carleton Place; J. H. Gould, Esq., Reeve of Smith's Falls; R. Shaw, Esq., Mayor of Perth; J. G. Malloch, Esq., Judge, County of Lanark; James Thompson, Esq.,

Sheriff; James Bell, Esq., Perth; A. Code, Esq., Reeve of Drummond; J. Manion, Esq., of Bathurst, and James Jackson, Esq., of Lanark, and all officers of Volunteer militia companies in the county. A constitution and by-laws somewhat similar to those of the Dominion Association were also adopted.

The advisability of petitioning the Minister of Militia to be allowed to form a Lanark battalion of volunteers was also considered, as was also that of becoming a battalion of active Militia, under the new militia law. No action, however, was taken in the matter which was postponed till the next meeting, many of the members not not having seen the new militia Act as amended.

For the information of the public we may state that the association is not to be confined to volunteers alone, but will be open to every person desirous of joining, on the payment of the subscription fee of one dollar per annum. This charge is made very low and is within the reach of every one, and we hope to see all the young men of our county enrolled on the books of the society as its members. We have not a few good marksmen amongst us, but we hope to see that number largely increased and that many of the prizes to be hereafter competed for by the Canadian youth may fall to this county.—*Perth Courier*.

REVIEW OF THE 9TH BATTALION BY THE LIEUT. GOVERNOR.—On Monday evening, the 18th May, His Excellency the Lieut. Governor inspected the 9th Battalion of Volunteer Militia at the Drill Shed. A very large number of our citizens, including several ladies, were present and seemed to take great interest in the proceedings. Precisely at a quarter to nine His Excellency arrived, accompanied by a brilliant Staff, composed of Col. Sewell, Commandant, Col. Bowen, Major Legare, Major Grant and Major Albyn, Drs. Blanchet and Lindsay, Capt. Turnbull and Fraser, and Lieut. Houseman, &c., &c. The Battalion was drawn up in review order and His Excellency was received with a general salute, the band played "God Save the Queen." The Lieut. Governor and his Staff then proceeded up and down the line, minutely inspecting the men, their clothing and accoutrements, after which Major Gingras was called upon to put the men through the manual and platoon exercise, which were performed very creditably indeed. Col. Panet, commanding the regiment, afterwards ordered the line into open column, went through several battalion movements, and marched past His Excellency in quick time, and we must say with much precision and steadiness. The commanding officer then ordered square to be formed, and His Excellency and Staff, accompanied by Col. and Mrs. Panet having taken their position in the centre, His Excellency addressed Col. Panet somewhat as follows: "It has afforded me very great pleasure indeed, Sir, to be present at this inspection, and to witness your exercises, not on account of this Battalion alone, but because of the interest I feel in the Volunteer Force, and of my desire to encourage any and every regiment in the Province. I can assure you I have been much pleased with what I have seen to night. Your improvement in drill and discipline, your general steadiness, and ready obedience to orders, I am glad to know are of such a character, as to deserve applause, and I am satisfied that if unfor-