

time they have been in the field; and although there is little glory to be gained in this quarter, it is supposed they were stimulated by the example of the Pic Nics, and, as one sheep follows another, came so far as this, to do, what they could have done much more easily and comfortably nearer home. We were, however, reluctantly forced to surrender to them the whole of the *materiel* attached to the Pic Nic army, consisting of cream-coloured crockery, iron spoons &c. in the use of which the militia displayed considerable vigour, as well as in their exercises, particularly in platoon-firing. However I am happy to inform your Excellency, that they retired about one in the morning, without beat of drum or sound of bugle, leaving behind them all their spoils, which are carefully stored against the time when we next expect the Pic Nics; who, however, it is to be hoped, will not lose so much of their forage, provisions, and ammunition by the overturning of their sleighs in the deep snow as they did the last time.

I have the honour to be, &c.

A VIDETTE.

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AN AMATEUR OF MUSIC, and a SUB-DEPUTY ASSISTANT are under consideration.

SKIMMERHORN will appear next number.

A SPECTATOR will perceive that his communication has been partly availed of; similar articles of intelligence are always highly acceptable.

The lines from La Chine, under a signature that is too obvious, are inadmissible; for they can not be the production of the lady herself, either considering their composition or their sentiments.