

—it is the same as the English word *luck*. And we find that Snorro, speaking of Scythia calls it Sarkland—the land of "Tum," or "Huck," or "Shurt" wearers. Cushites in the Septuagint translation of the Scriptures is considered Ethiopians but wrongly, for in the older historical parts of the Old Testament, the word Cush is invariably used in regard to nations living East of the Red Sea; these Hyksos then were nothing more than a band of predatory Scythians, fair-haired and blue-eyed, who in chariots or on horse-back, had penetrated to high Asia into Egypt, and there became for a time the master class. It is supposed that the Hyksos were expelled from Egypt by Thothmes the first, of the 18th dynasty, according to Dr Hales, about 27 years before Joseph's administration during the years of famine; and also, according to Dr. Hales, that after his death the Israelites, then living in Goshen, and greatly increased in numbers, began to meditate revolutionary projects, and invited the Shepherd Kings—the Hyksos—who after their expulsion had retreated no further than Hauran on the river Jordan, to re-enter Egypt, which they did, and re-established the pastoral tyranny, subjecting both the Egyptians and the Israelites to their oppression. This was the new dynasty, "the King that knew not Joseph." Now I think that every candid mind will admit on a consideration of these facts, the great probability that the horse was first brought into the deserts of Arabia and into Egypt by these hordes of Nomadic conquerors, that on their first expulsion, their horses and cattle fell as spoil into the hands of the Egyptians, and that the horses greatly multiplied in numbers, and became celebrated for beauty, strength and spirit, and if we can believe the profane authors, the multiplication must have been truly enormous, for we find them, not long after the expulsion of the Hyksos, speaking of Ramses Namoun the 2nd, surnamed the Great, the Sesostris of the Greek authors, and the fourteenth ruler of the 19th dynasty, according to the chronology of Rosellini, and representing him as going on an expedition to the East with 27,000 war chariots, but this is probably an exaggeration, for in the time of Sesostris, the 1st King of the 19th dynasty, according to Lepsius, and supposed to be the King, "who knew not Joseph," and who perished, according to the Jewish writers, in the Red Sea, we find that monarch could only muster 600 chariots of war, "all the chariots of Egypt," wherewith to pursue the Israelites. Now as each chariot was drawn by two horses, this is a vast reduction from the immense numbers assigned by Herodotus to Ramses, unless we consider that nearly all the horses in Egypt had perished only a few days before, under the "very grievous murrain, which constituted the fifth plague of Moses, and under the fearful storm of hail which "smote throughout all the land of Egypt, all that was in the field, both man and beast."

[To be continued.]

We regret that the excellent lecture delivered by the Adjutant General, the Baron DeLottensburg, before the Volunteer Battery, Troops, and Companies, at Hamilton, was not received by us in time for this publication. It is now being set up and will appear on Tuesday next.

Our Army.—It is extremely gratifying to note the progress of our Canadian military organization. On looking over the *Canada Military Gazette*, published at Ottawa, we find that there have already been formed under the provisions of the new law, 7 field batteries Artillery—5 in Upper and 2 in Lower Canada; 5 companies of foot Artillery—3 in Upper and 2 in Lower Canada; 23 troops of Cavalry, 16 in Upper and 7 in Lower Canada; and 60 companies of Rifles, of which Upper Canada contributes 41 and Lower Canada 19. This is of itself a respectable force, rapidly progressing in discipline, but new companies are springing up every week throughout the country, and in a short time "our army" will be strong in numbers as it is in spirit and ability.—*Kingston News*.

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
Toronto, 11th Feb. 1857.

Sir.—There are two measures which appear to me to be of service in every Corps of the Active Force.

The first is, that a well considered Code of laws in accordance with the Regulations of the Militia Act, be lawfully promulgated and applied.

The second is, that a system of law be established Honorary Members to the Corps, for your command, to consist of persons taking an interest in the Corps, not necessarily obliged either to underwrite themselves or to attend drill, but who will, as Honorary Members, contribute either an annual or monthly subscription, be it ever so trifling, towards the unavoidable contingent expenses of the Corps, and who will join it on festive or other occasions of a like nature. If Honorary Members desire to uniform themselves or to drill, so much the better, but such requirements should not be compulsory on them.

This system has been adopted by one Company of Rifles in Upper Canada with significant success, and there is no doubt if adopted by others it would very much tend to increase the interest felt in the Corps, and to extend its influence, and also materially to lessen its expenses by dividing them amongst a large number of persons.

I therefore earnestly request your attention to these points, being convinced that they will be of material benefit to the Corps, and of use.

A sketch of the By-laws is forwarded to herewith. Honorary Members, is submitted for your information, as they may be found suggestive to you in the event of your following the same course.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,
DE ROTTERDAM

To All Officers

Commanding Corps
of the Active Militia Force,
&c., &c., &c.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

RULES.

1. All persons becoming *Honorary Members*, of the Corps, shall be entitled to acquire a knowledge of Military discipline, and will be allowed to fall in with the Regularly enrolled Men of the Company, providing they are in the proper Uniform of the Company.

2. Many Gentlemen may be disposed to become *Honorary Members*, merely to assist and forward the welfare and efficiency of the Corps, consequently they need not, unless so disposed, render any Military services whatever.

3. All Honorary Members will be taxed the same as the *bona fide* Members of the Company, which tax, at present is _____ per Month, to meet contingencies.

4. Honorary Members desirous of doing duty with the Company and acquiring a knowledge of the various duties of the Soldier, while under Arms or in Uniform, will be subject to the By-laws, Rules, Regulations and Discipline of the Corps.

5. On all Holidays, Celebrations, Balls, Dinners and other convivial Meetings of the Corps, Honorary Members not in Uniform will be distinguished by a piece of Scarlet Ribbon, tied in the button hole, on the left breast.

6. No person can be placed on the list of Honorary Members, without the approval of the Commanding Officer.

HEAD QUARTERS,

Toronto, 11th February, 1857.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

ACTIVE FORCE.

No. 1.—The formation of the following Corps is hereby authorized, viz:

CLASS B.

MILITARY DISTRICT NUMBER SIX, LOWER CANADA.

One Volunteer Troop of Cavalry, at Dorchester, County of Huntingdon, to be styled The First Volunteer Militia Troop of Cavalry of the County of Huntingdon.

To be Captain Murdoch Murchison, Esq.

To be Lieutenant Donald McMillen, Gent.

To be Cornet John Oxley, Gentleman.

MILITARY DISTRICT NUMBER TWO, UPPER CANADA.

One Volunteer Rifle Company at Prescott, to be styled The Second Volunteer Militia Rifle Company of Prescott.

The number of Privates to be forty-three.

To be Captain James Andrew White, Esq.

PROMOTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, &c.

MILITARY DISTRICT NUMBER THREE, LOWER CANADA.

Volunteer Militia Company at Quebec.

To be Surgeon Doctor James S. Well.

Colonel William Wallace Scott, appointed

to act as Pay Master.

George Masson, Gent., is appointed to act as

Quarter Master.

2nd Volunteer Militia Rifle Company of Quebec.

To be Ensign Richard Meagher, Gent., vice

Fitzgerald, left the Province.

MILITARY DISTRICT NUMBER NINE, LOWER CANADA.

Montreal Artillery.

Lieut. Col. John Boston, of this Battalion, is permitted to retire retaining his rank, and His Excellency the Governor General and Commander in Chief, desires to express to Lieut. Col. Boston the value which His Excellency places on his meritorious services in the Militia of the Province.

To be Lieut.-Col. Major W. Edmonstone, vice Boston, retired.

To be Lieut.-Col. Major Robert Smith Tyler, vice Edmonstone, who is permitted to retire, retaining his rank.

Captain Constable, of this Battalion, is permitted to resign his appointment of Brigade Major, to the Active Militia Force at Montreal.

MILITARY DISTRICT NUMBER TEN, UPPER CANADA.

Volunteer Militia Rifle Company at Brighton.

To be Ensign George Gillett, Gent., vice

Wells, who retires.

MILITARY DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN, UPPER CANADA.

Second Troop of Volunteer Militia Cavalry of

the County of Wentworth.

To be Lieut. James D. Thomas, Gentleman.

To be Cornet Ensign George M. Smith, of

the Fourth Battalion, Wentworth.

Lieut. Robert Bruce, of the Volunteer Militia

Rifle Companies of London, is permitted to resign

his Commission.

MILITARY DISTRICT NUMBER NINE, UPPER CANADA.

1st Volunteer Militia Rifle Company of Sarina.

To be Surgeon Edward H. Bucke, Esq., M.D.

ENGLAND'S FUTURE SON-IN-LAW.—Prince

Friedrich Wilhelm, who arrived at Berlin on the

last day of the old year, with his parents, to be

present at the "jubilee" of his father, the Prince

of Prussia, has left again for Breslau, where he

will probably reside for the next nine months,

and devote himself to his military duties, so as

to enable him to take general's rank before his

marriage takes place. The same apartments

have been allotted up for him in the Royal Schloss

there as were occupied by the late King and

Queen, that which the late Queen Louise occu-

ped has been converted into a study for the

young Prince, and is already graced by a mar-

ble bust of her late Majesty, and by a full-length

oil painting, that has just within the last few

days arrived there from Berlin. It is not diffi-

cult to guess that this latter unnamed picture is

the full-length portrait of the Princess Royal, by

Winterhalter, which was in the last exhibition

of the Academy of Fine Arts in Berlin. The

bureau of the 11th regiment of Infantry, of which

the young Prince has received the command, has

been established on the ground floor of the pal-

ace, and his various adjutants have also received

quarters under the same roof. During the few

days that Prince Frederick William was in Ber-

lin, at the commencement of this month, no clerk

of the works was ever more assiduously early and

late in visiting the works going on at the pal-

ace of the late King, which is being converted

into a suitable residence for himself and the

Princess Victoria. The impatience of the youth-

ful bridegroom would, it is said, be content with

a preparation of a very moderate portion of the

building, rather than allow his union to be post-

poned for the mere considerations of bricks and

marble, but the requirements that the 19th cen-

tury puts forward do not admit of any return to

the pastoral simplicity with which Cordon and

Phyllis may have given themselves up to seclu-

sion and the joys of mutual affection.