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THE SITUATION AT THE FRONT.

THE suppression of the half-breed rebellion is complete. Riel and many of his council are now in the hands of the authorities, and the country between Carlton and Prince Albert has been completely pacified. Gen. Middleton having enquired into the state of affairs at Prince Albert, has proceeded by boat to Battleford with the bulk of his command, and assumed the direction of future operations.

Poundmaker and his headmen have surrendered and submitted to being disarmed, all his prisoners, who had been well treated, having been liberated.

Big Bear alone holds out, and it is asserted that, with 800 warriors, he is determined to fight Gen. Strange's brigade. Gen. Middleton will, however, no doubt soon set out to tackle Bruin in the rear.

The base of supplies, to be forwarded by trail, has been changed from Swift Current to Moose Jaw.

The Governor-General's Body Guard have distinguished themselves by the arrest of White Cap and his following.

OUR NEXT ISSUE

Will contain many interesting illustrations of localities and incidents furnished by our constantly increasing staff of contributors in the North-West Field force. Subjects have already been placed in the hands of our artists from Battleford (by Lieut. Wadmore, I. S. C.), from Touch-

wood Hills (by Col. Turnbull), from Camp Denison (by a trooper of the Body Guard), from Fort McLeod, etc. We have at last succeeded in securing a photograph from which to reproduce a satisfactory portrait of Lieut. Howard, the Connecticut militia officer, who has worked the gatlings with such good effect. One page of the next number will be devoted to the Dufferin Rifles of Brantford, the engraving of which could not be completed for insertion this week; and the public funeral of the late Lieut. Fitch will also be fully illustrated in No. 10.

THE PUNISHMENT OF THE REBEL LEADER.

RIEL having been safely delivered by the military power into the hands of the civil authorities at Regina, the Government should put him on his trial without undue delay. In a case like this, justice should not only be sure but speedy for the "terror of evil doers and a praise to them that do well." It has already been shown that the trial may be before a jury of six, presided over by a Stipendiary Magistrate, or by militia general court-martial. The latter would seem best suited to the exigencies of the present case, and the Government will incur serious responsibility if it delay the initiation of proceedings.

By section 8 of the Mutiny Act it is provided that no sentence of death by general court-martial shall pass unless two-thirds, at least, of the officers present shall concur therein—no sentence of penal servitude shall be for a period of less than five years; and no sentence of imprisonment shall be for a period longer than two years.

Section 106 of the Articles of War provides that a general court-martial in any of the colonies (with certain specific exceptions) shall consist of not less than five commissioned officers, each of whom shall have held a commission for three years before the assembling of the court.

COLLAPSE OF THE REBEL- LION, AND FITTING RECOG- NITION OF THE SERVICES OF THE TROOPS.

ONE of the most significant evidences of the complete success accomplished by the victory at Batoche is to be found in the report of the trip of the steamer Northcote which brought down the escort that took Louis Riel to Regina:—

"Owing to the head wind they made but slow progress, and had plenty of time to view the country on either side of the river. All along they observed that settlers were returning to their homes, though every house bore a white flag, and the half-breeds, men, women and children, ran down the bank to greet them, everyone waving a flag of truce. Even men who were working in the fields had white flags waving from their hats, or fastened to the backs of their coats."

Indeed, it would appear that no one welcomed the restoration of peace more heartily than those who have recently been regarded as "the enemy." The work of the volunteer militia is obviously nearly completed, as the suppression of the Indian revolt on the North Saskatchewan may be expected to soon close the campaign and justify the troops being ordered home.

General Middleton will doubtless receive fitting honors and possibly promotion at the hands of Her Most Gracious Majesty and the Canadian Parliament may be expected by a unanimous vote to recognize in a substantial manner his claim upon the country's gratitude. What a welcome awaits the gallant officers and men who have fought under him, when they return to their homes! Whatever public and private honors may await them, we sincerely trust that the Queen will be pleased to recognize the claim of all who have served in the present campaign to receive a medal that will bear Her Majesty's image, the participants in the engagement which ended the rebellion to be also permitted to wear a clasp with the inscription "Batoche."

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