

FOOLHARDY.—A soldier of the 16th Regiment, last evening, for a small wager, performed the reckless feat of jumping out of a third story window of the McNab street Barracks, into the top of a shade tree, standing on the outer side of the sidewalk. Being somewhat under the influence of liquor at the time, as it is reported, of course he sustained no serious injury, but was somewhat sprained by landing upon a limb in a position somewhat similar to that in which clothes-pins are adjusted upon a line. He was conveyed to the hospital for repairs. —*Hamilton Times*.

CAPTURE OF A DESERTER FROM ONE OF THE GUNBOATS.—About a year since, a seaman named Hill deserted from the gunboat *Rescue*, while lying in Niagara River, and domesticated himself at Black Rock, where he obtained a situation in one of the mills. On Friday (an unlucky day), Hill ventured back to the Dominion, and was engaged in catching frogs at Frenchman's Creek, when a "spotter" discovered him. Hill drew a revolver and snapp'd twice at the officers who arrested him, but the caps did not explode, and he soon found himself in jail, where he will probably remain for five or six years to pay for his fool-hardiness. —*Hamilton Times*.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF MILITARY CLOTHING.—Some time since at an inspection of No. 2 Battery Ottawa Provisional Brigade Garrison Artillery, Capt. Thomas Ross missed an overcoat, tunic and trousers. On enquiry it was found that the articles had been issued to Isaac Fodder, a member of the Battery, who had left the city. Fodder being arrested and brought to the Police Court said he had left the clothing at J. Evans' place when he went away. From information received, Quartermaster Armstrong went into the country and found the clothing in possession of Joseph Parrisseau, in the Township of Gloucester, to whom it appears Fodder was indebted to the amount of \$2. Parrisseau stated that he had gone to Evans' and taken the clothing with the intention of keeping it as security until the \$2 were paid. Parrisseau was fined \$5 and costs for having Volunteer clothing unlawfully in his possession.

The inhabitants of the old and picturesque village of Queenston had the pleasure, on Thursday, the 16th inst., of receiving a visit from a number of the gallant 13th of Hamilton, not as some of us met them last summer at Ridgeway, bravely defending their country from the Fenian invader, but accompanied by wives and sweethearts, and bent on enjoying themselves among the beautiful scenery that surrounds the monument of the hero whom they emulated. The excursion arrived here at 1 p.m., and the afternoon was very pleasantly spent in athletic sports, the interest in which was heightened by Col. Skinner and his officers devoting their whole time to the superintendence of them. The Band of the 13th, under the excellent leadership of A. Grossman, played some of their selections in fine style. A very noticeable feature was the total absence of any rough element—all being determined to do credit to their city and the fine Battalion to which they belong. The excursion departed for Hamilton about 8 p.m., and as the steamer left the wharf, it was the signal for rounds of farewell cheers and the band struck up Yankee Doodle, to the great chagrin of "Young Canada" on shore, who think nothing is so good as the old tune of "God Save the Queen." —*Cor. Hamilton Times*.

A corporal of the 13th Hussars, named John Smeaton, fell into the bay at Toronto whilst fishing on the wharf on the 24th and was drowned. He had re-enlisted the day previous.

The 7th Royal Fusiliers left Brantford on the morning of the 24th by special train for Hamilton, where they embarked on steamers for Quebec, en route for England. There was an immense crowd at the station to bid them good-bye.

THE VOLUNTEERS' PIC-NIC.—This was an immense success. A great boatful went off to Stella Point early in the morning with the Regimental Band on board. A still greater boat load went at 2 o'clock, and a good few at 6 o'clock in the evening. It was a very jolly affair, everything went well, and every body came home delighted with the healthful exercise. —*Kingston Whig*.

ON THE ALERT.—A correspondent writing to the *Hamilton Times* says:—When off "The Ducks," a point some few miles distant from Kingston, we were hailed by the British gunboat *Hercules*. Many of the lady passengers became alarmed, and thought we were brought to by a Fenian vessel of war. When about twenty yards off, the *Hercules* lowered a boat, and an officer came on board making enquiries concerning a suspicious craft which we had seen some four miles south of Long Point. They then left and proceeded in the direction of the suspicious steamer, and we proceeded on our journey, passing the beautiful scenery of the thousand islands.

A GALLANT ACTION.—Last night as the *Rothsay Castle* was about starting a large crowd of Hamiltonians gathered on the wharf of Hamilton, to witness the departure of the Licensed Victuallers excursion and hear the Band of the Queen's Own. A man who was on the wharf (not one of the excursion party) unfortunately slipped and fell into the bay, and being unable to swim was rapidly sinking, when private Thomas Summers, of Company G., 16th Regiment, gallantly sprung into the water with his full uniform on and succeeded in saving the life of a fellow being; on landing a spontaneous cheer broke from the crowd assembled, and the gallant fellow was carried on the shoulders of the people into the boat, where a change of clothing was speedily procured. —*Toronto Telegraph*.

The 78th Highlanders arrived at Montreal by the steamer *Montreal*, on the 25th, and proceeded to Logan's Farm, where tents had been pitched for them. This regiment bears on its colors the following mottoes: "Cuidich Rhi." The Elephant. "Assyso," "Maidn," "Java," "Persia," "Koooshab," and "Lucknow." The officers are: Colonel Sir P. Grant; Lieut.-Colonel G. A. Lockhart; Majors A. Mackenzie, O. B. Felden; Captains A. E. Warren, John Finlay, Geo. Forbes, T. Mackenzie, T. H. Thompson, Hew B. Savory, Sir A. M. Mackenzie, Bart.; J. Richardson, Wm. C. Smith, J. N. Gower, A. Murray, A. J. Carstairs; Lieutenants, Wm. Thorp, Geo. E. Lecky, R. L. Dalglish, Ed. P. Stewart, C. Mackenzie, O. Graham, H. F. Rowley, Hugh Grant, James McAdam, C. McCausland, Geo. Taylor, C. E. Croker-King, B. J. Jarvis, W. M. Kirwin, D. A. Kennedy; Ensigns C. B. Stewart, E. R. Massie, G. A. C. Justice, Thomas Sargent, Charles Roberts, E. Alexander, Geo. Budgen, G. O'Grady, Hon. M. Moreton, M. Stacpoole; Paymaster, C. Skrine; Quartermaster, A. Weir; Surgeon, L. Stewart; Assistant-Surgeon, P. Gilgour.

ROYAL ARTILLERY.—Col. Mountain having embarked for Europe, Col. Gibbon, C. B., Commandant of the Kingston Garrison, and in charge of the 10th Brigade, assumes command of the Artillery in Canada until his departure. The first division of the 3rd Brigade, consisting of Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 batteries, embarked at Malta on board the *Simoom* on the 29th ult., and sailed for Quebec, with orders to call en route at Gibraltar and Halifax. The *Simoom* is daily expected. The 10th Brigade, including the batteries in Kingston, will leave Canada in the *Simoom* for Malta.

INSPECTION OF THE ST. HYACINTHE VOLUNTEER COMPANY.—On Thursday, the 18th inst., the St. Hyacinthe Volunteers passed their annual inspection. The arrival of the Montreal train brought down Col. McPherson as Inspecting Officer, deputed by Lieut.-Col. Osborne Smith, who being pressed just now with General Inspections, could not attend. Being met on the platform by Brigade Major DeBellefeuille, he was accompanied to the market square, where the Company was drawn up in line and received him with the usual "Military Salute." Col. McPherson, having minutely inspected the arms, accoutrements and uniforms, caused their officers (Capt. R. St. Jacques, Lieut. Corcoran, and Ensign Lelievre) to put the Company through the various military movements, to show their efficiency in drill, and was pleased to say that though he had already inspected a great many Companies of Volunteers this year, he had not met one that surpassed and few that came up to them in general efficiency, and he particularly remarked the steadiness of the men in the ranks, and the absence of talking, which is generally the perceptible feature between the Volunteers and Regulars. The inspection being finished, Col. McPherson was invited by Brigade Major DeBellefeuille and the officers of the company to partake of lunch, which was tastefully prepared at "Yamaska House." The chair was filled by R. St. Jacques, Capt. of the company, with Col. McPherson on his right, and the Rev. J. P. Dupuis, chaplain to the company, on his left. There were also invited Col. P. Duchesnay, Assistant Provincial Aide de Camp; the editors of *Courrier* and *Journal* of St. Hyacinthe, L. G. DeLorimier, Esq. Prothonotary of the Superior Court of St. Hyacinthe, and some others. The good things prepared having met with the attention they deserved, the chairman proposed the following toasts, which were drank and responded to with that zest and spirit which that wit-enlivening beverage, sparkling champagne, alone can produce on such occasions, viz:—The Queen, "God Bless Her: the Prince and Princess of Wales and Royal Family, the Governor General of the Dominion, General Michel, George Etienne Cartier, "Minister of War;" A Lieutenant-General McDougall, Col. Osborne Smith, the Ladies, absent though not forgotten, and the healths of the company present.

But lightly falls the foot of Time,
Whom'er he treads on Flowers.
so it was found that the return train to Montreal was close at hand, and, in conclusion, Col. McPherson rose to thank his friends for the pleasant manner in which he had been received, and stated he would convey to the various absent officers whose healths had been so enthusiastically drank on his meeting them, the well wishes of the company. Accompanied to the train by Brigade Major DeBellefeuille, Col. P. Duchesnay and the officers of the company, he returned to Montreal.